University of the Fraser Valley

# MyGRADplan

Student Guide

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Important Note: MyGradplan is designed to aid and facilitate academic advising but is not intended to replace face-to-face advising sessions. MyGradplan is neither an official academic transcript nor an official notification of completion of degree requirements.

The official graduation requirements are listed in the University of the Fraser Valley online Calendar. If there is any discrepancy between MyGRADplan and the official UFV Calendar the Calendar takes precedence. If you notice any discrepancies or problems with the MyGRADplan service, please notify the Office of the Registrar at https://www.ufv.ca/mygradplan/contact-form/.

# Overview

UFV's MyGRADplan is a web based tool designed to provide you with an easy to understand, clearly defined pathway toward program (degree, diploma or certificate) completion. MyGRADplan merges the University of the Fraser Valley's program requirements and the coursework you have completed or are currently enrolled in to create an easy to read program audit worksheet. MyGRADplan summarizes your program requirements completed and outstanding providing a real-time assessment of your progress toward graduation. Undergraduate students enrolled in academic programs beginning in 201009 can use MyGRADplan to check their progress toward program completion. Students enrolled in non-academic programs will not have an audit of their program, but may use the What If feature to run speculative audits for academic programs they are interested in pursuing.

Through MyGRADplan students and their advisors are able to:

- Learn the academic requirements for the program (degree, diploma or certificate)
- See how all completed courses apply to the program requirements
- Identify courses needed to complete their program
- View their grades and academic standing
- View their Institutional cumulative GPA (CGPA)
- View their program GPA
- View transfer credit
- Calculate a GPA based on their grades for the term
- Calculate the grades needed to achieve a goal GPA
- Create What-If audits to process speculative program audits based on current class history

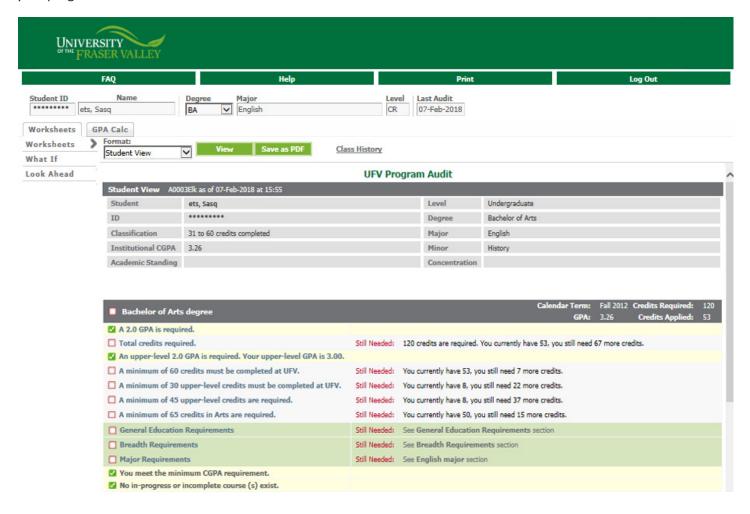
# **Getting Started**

Login to myUFV using your usual credentials.

- Locate the MyGRADplan channel on the myUFV home page;
- Click "Students click here to learn more about how it works and to access your program audit.";
- Read through a short introduction to the software;
- Click the "Access your personal MyGRADplan here" link.

# Using MyGRADplan

Once you have entered MyGRADplan you'll see a page similar to the one below. From here you may begin reviewing your program audit.



# Navigation Toolbar

You'll find a navigation bar at the top of the page. Below is a description of each of the links.

FAQ	Help	Print	Log Out	
FAQ button:	Links to the MyGRADplan home page containing frequently asked questions.			
Help button:	Links to general worksheet and GPA calculation information.			
Print button:	Allows you to print the current page.			
Log Out button:	Logs you out of MyGRADplan but not myUFV. Please ensure you log out of MyGRADplan and myUFV to exit both systems.			

# Student Summary Toolbar

Below the Navigation Toolbar is another toolbar providing basic student and program information. The chart below describes the information included within the toolbar.



Student ID: Your UFV student ID

Name: Your name displays here

Your program (degree, diploma or certificate) will be displayed here. If you are pursuing Degree:

multiple programs the drop down arrow can be used switch between programs.

Major: If you have multiple majors within the same degree only one will be displayed here, but

all will be reflected in the audit. Please note: All degree, diploma and certificate

students will see Degree and Major fields on their audit. These fields are used to display the codes and titles of your program. The titles will identify whether your program is a

degree, diploma or certificate.

Your student level code will be displayed here (CR-Undergraduate, GR-Graduate etc.) Level:

Classification: Based on the number of credits you have taken at UFV.

Last Audit: Displays the most recent date your audit was run for your chosen program.

# Legend

The legend can be found at the bottom of the page and contains all of the symbols that are important for interpreting your Program Audit.



Complete: This symbol will appear beside all requirements that have been completed within the

audit. The row will be highlighted light yellow and will display the course (s) that fulfilled

the requirement along with the grade and term in which the course was taken.

Not Complete: This symbol will appear beside all requirements that have not yet been completed. The

row will be highlighted in light green and will also indicate the course(s) that will be

required to complete the requirement.

MyGRADplan wildcard @ The @ symbol in the audit acts as a wildcard. This means that it represents all

> classes when used as a prefix and can also be used to represent all course numbers. When a course prefix is followed by the @ symbol (ENGL @) this means any course number for that prefix can be used to fulfill the requirement. When you see @ @ it means any undergraduate course or number can be used to fulfill the requirement.

Complete except for

This symbol will appear for requirements where the classes needed to

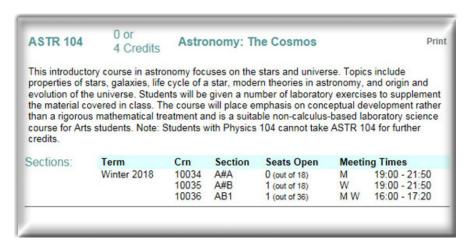
Classes in Progress: fulfill the requirement are currently being taken or are registered to be taken for a future

term. The row will be highlighted light blue and the grade section for the course will

display (NG).

# Course Link

Scrolling over the Course ID of a "Still Needed" course in any block reveals the course title and credits. Clicking on the Course ID opens a separate window which provides the course title and description. If registration is open, Course Link will also indicate the registration status of each section. Please note that MyGRADplan is updated overnight which may mean that "Seats Open" may not display the most recent information. Please check the timetable for the most up to date information on seat availability.



# **GPA** Requirements

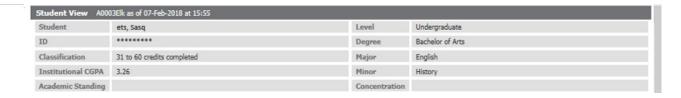
All UFV academic programs and program options require a minimum program GPA of 2.00 for graduation. Some programs may require a program GPA higher than 2.00. Beginning 201709, diplomas and degrees require both a minimum program GPA of 2.00 as well as a cumulative GPA (Institutional CGPA) of 2.00 for graduation. Program GPA is calculated on all UFV courses used to meet course requirements within the program. Institutional GPA is calculated on all UFV courses taken within the student's level of study (e.g., undergraduate, graduate).

# MyGRADplan Audit Blocks

Each section in a MyGRADplan audit is called a "Block". Each block header will contain a title for the block and will also display specific information for that block such as credits required, credits or classes applied and the block GPA. Like individual requirements, the block header will also contain a symbol stating the status of all requirements within the block. The blocks below are examples of blocks that may be included in your audit. The structure of your audit will depend on the type of degree, diploma or certificate you are completing.

## Student Header

The first section of the audit, the Student Header, contains key elements of your program of study such as Degree, Diploma or Certificate, Major, Classification, Academic Standing, Institutional CGPA, etc.



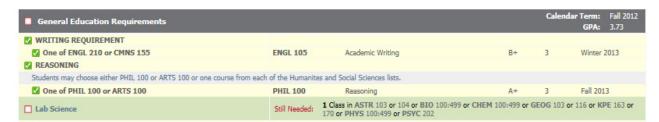
## Degree, Diploma or Certificate Block

This block is a summary of all the requirements for the program (degree, diploma or certificate). This is the main block that houses all of the global rules that apply to all other blocks within the audit. This block will never have the "Complete" symbol until all other blocks have been completed. Each requirement displayed in this block contains a link to the section of the audit where the full requirements are displayed. Advice (Still Needed) in this block will no longer display when the requirement has been met. Within this block you will also find unmet conditions which are requirements that must be met in order to graduate (residency requirement, total credits needed, etc.). The top-right corner of this block displays the minimum Credits Required to graduate, the total Credits Applied to your program, the GPA of the UFV courses applied to your program, and Calendar Term.



## **General Education Requirements**

These blocks may include Writing or Communication Requirements, Humanities Requirements, Social Science Requirements, Math Requirements, Science Requirements etc. In these blocks, you will find all of the general education classes required for your program. The top-right corner of each block will display your Calendar Term and the GPA of the UFV courses applied to this block.



## **Major Requirements**

This block will house all of the major requirements for your degree. If you have a concentration, this block may include the concentration requirements or the concentration may be displayed in its own block.



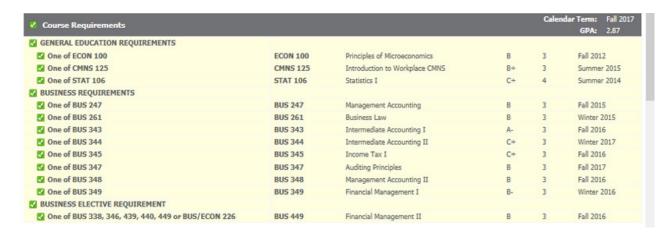
## **Program Requirements**

If your degree does not require you to declare a major this block will house all the mandatory course requirements for your degree.



#### **Course Requirements**

This block will house all the mandatory course requirements for your diploma or certificate.



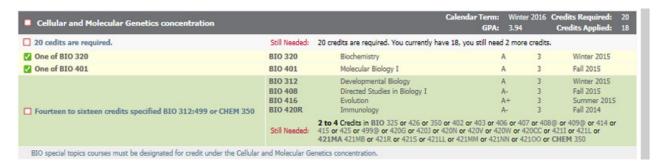
## **Minor Requirements**

This block will house all the minor requirements of your declared minor or extended minor.



# **Concentration Requirements**

This block will house the concentration requirements of your declared concentration if they are not included in your major block.



# **Optional Blocks**

These blocks will only display if you have courses that fall in these areas.

# **Fallthrough Courses**

This block will display all courses not currently being used to fulfill course requirements. The content of this block will fluctuate as courses are taken or as additional program options are added. Courses in this block are also used to meet program block qualifiers such as minimum upper-level requirements or minimum residency requirements.



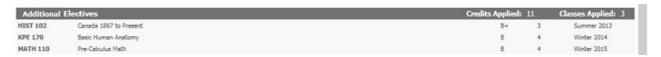
#### **Applied Electives**

This block will display any additional courses needed to complete the credit requirements of your program that haven't been met by your major, minor, general education or program requirements. The content of this block will fluctuate as courses are taken or as additional program options are added. Courses in this block are also used to meet program block qualifiers such as minimum upper-level requirements or minimum residency requirements.



#### Additional Electives

This block will display all the additional courses applicable to your program but not used to complete course or credit requirements. The content of this block will fluctuate as courses are taken or as additional program options are added. Courses in this block are used to meet program block qualifiers such as minimum upper-level requirements or minimum residency requirements.



#### Insufficient

This block will display all the courses that do not meet the minimum required grade for your program including failed courses that have not been repeated.



#### In-progress

This block will display the courses you are currently enrolled. These courses are also applied to requirements throughout the audit.



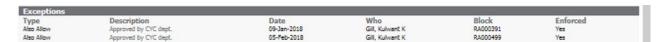
#### **Not Counted**

This block displays all courses you have taken that cannot be applied to your program. This includes non-academic courses as well as academic courses that have been Audited, Withdrawn or repeated for a higher grade.



## Exceptions

If exceptions such as course substitutions or waivers have been approved and made to your program they will be displayed in this block as well as applied to requirements within the body of the audit.



#### Student Notice and Disclaimer

This language will show at the bottom of most screens and is intended to counsel students of the limits of the information presented here and the sources that can provide official confirmation.

You are encouraged to use this program audit report as a guide when planning your progress toward completion of the above requirements and this should be used in conjunction with regular meetings with your academic advisor. You may contact your academic advisor for assistance in interpreting this report. This audit is not your academic transcript and it is not official notification of completion of degree, diploma or certificate requirements. Students completing a credential are required to Apply to Graduate. The official graduation requirements are listed in the University of the Fraser Valley online Calendar. If there is any discrepancy between MyGRADplan and the official UFV Calendar the Calendar takes precedence. If you notice any discrepancies or problems with the MyGRADplan service, please contact the Office of the Registrar.

#### **Notes**

Notes pertaining to your program may be added by your advisor and will appear in the Notes block at the bottom of the audit.

# **Application Features**



Format Student View: Provides general information about your complete and incomplete requirements, in-

progress and pre-registered courses, grouped into logical sections/blocks.

Format Registration Checklist: Shows only the unfulfilled requirements that are "Still Needed" on the checklist. It does

not provide any of the detailed explanation of the requirements that may be found in

Student View.

View button: Allows you to view either Student View or Registration View.

Save as PDF button: To PDF your audit to save or print you can simply click the Save as PDF button. Once you

begin this process a new window will open and the PDF will be available for you to view,

print or save.

Class History link: Provides a listing of all the courses you have taken, with grades and credits, grouped by

the term taken in chronological order.

What-If: Provides a sample program audit for a proposed new program of study using your

current class history. Helpful if you are considering a change in your program.

Look Ahead: Applies courses to appropriate requirements in the audit that are still to be taken.

GPA Calculators Tab: The Graduation Calculator projects the remaining average you would need to achieve in

order to reach a specific GPA for graduation.

The Term Calculator calculates a projected GPA based on hypothetical grades for the

semester.

**The Advice Calculator** projects the quickest way to achieve a GPA goal.

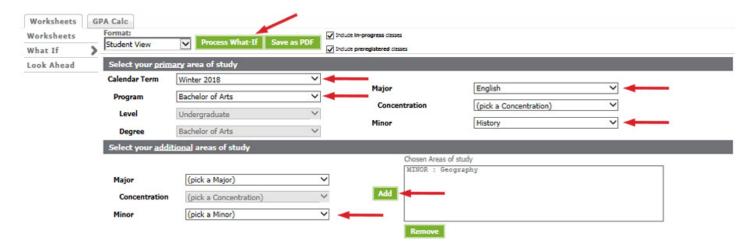
Please note, the GPAs generated by the calculators do not account for repeated courses

or transfer credit used to meet program requirements.

# What-If Audits

What If audits display the results when a proposed program change is being considered using your current class history. Select the What If criteria for the scenario, then click the Process What-If button to view the results of the audit. If you would like to PDF your audit, select your options and then click the Save as PDF button.

NOTE: You must choose the **current or a future Calendar Year** and your chosen program. If the Major field does not autofill you must use the drop down list to choose an option. Some Majors will require that you choose a concentration as well.



## Look Ahead

The Look Ahead feature provides audit results utilizing courses that you plan to register for in future terms. Enter the subject and number of the planned course and click Add Course. This will move it to the right side of the page. Once you have entered all desired courses, click Process New to view the results. You may use this feature to apply future courses to your current program, or use it to apply future courses to a What If audit.



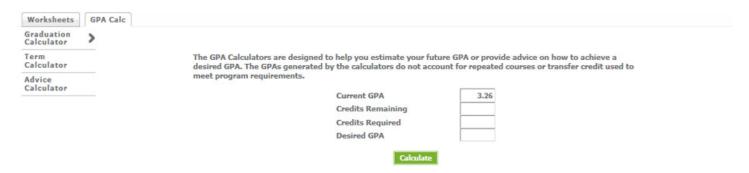
# Using the GPA Calculators

There are three different calculators, the Graduation Calculator, the Term Calculator and the Advice Calculator. Click on the GPA Calc tab to navigate to all three.

NOTE: The calculators do not account for repeated courses or transfer credit used to meet program requirements. Transfer credit grades are not used in program GPA calculations and if you are repeating courses for a better grade you will need to factor those in separately.

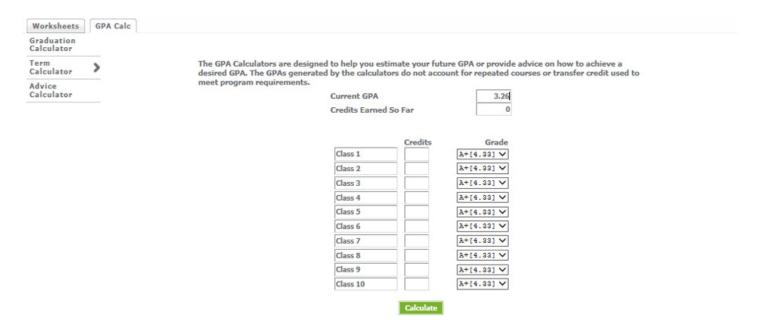
#### **Graduation Calculator**

This calculator helps you determine academic goals needed to produce a desired grade point average. All fields must be completed in order to calculate a desired GPA. For credits remaining, enter the number of required credits minus the number of credits already completed. Enter the number of credits required (120 for example) in the credits required field. Last, enter the desired GPA for graduation and click calculate. The graduation calculator will set an objective necessary to produce the desired GPA. If a desired GPA is not feasible, then the calculator will generate an error message stating the desired GPA in unattainable. You may adjust your figures and try again.



#### **Term Calculator**

This calculator calculates the projected GPA based on estimated grades for the semester. The term calculator cannot offer a set of objectives detailing how to obtain a desired grade; its purpose is to forecast a projected GPA based on your request. It will autopopulate the Class fields with your current courses.



# **Advice Calculator**

This calculator projects the quickest way to achieve a goal GPA. Unlike the graduation calculator, the advice calculator is able to calculate a desired GPA without knowing how many credits are remaining for graduation. After clicking calculate, the advice calculator will demonstrate how that goal can be achieved.

