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We are aware that you may change your course grade to pass/fail. Before you change to p/f, realize that each graduate and professional school may look at p/f differently.

The following advice applies to students who plan to apply to <u>NURSING school</u>. I have not heard back from any nursing schools, but feel my advice is en pointe. Please contact your favorite schools prior to choosing p/f.

- 1. All nursing school prereqs <u>must</u> be taken for a grade and a minimum grade of C is required. No exceptions.
- 2. Additional science courses should be taken for a grade in most circumstances because this provides the nursing schools with more insight into how you handle more difficult courses. This is especially true if you are applying to second bachelor's/accelerated programs. Every nursing school is different!!!!
- 3. Courses which are not science (art, American history, etc.) that are being taken this semester and are switched to p/f will not be seen negatively.
- 4. You do not have to decide TODAY about the pass/fail decision. You have until late April to make the switch. Use your time to learn the material and improve your grade average with an A.

Turn this circumstance (having school changed abruptly) into an opportunity to become a better scholar. Be disciplined and make a schedule for yourself. Use the extra time you have from not doing student activities to explore careers and really earn super grades!

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