

Grading Policy

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Course format

The course consists of three periods of three weeks each, plus one round-up week in the end of the course. The three periods consists in turn of three modules, each module covering different topics. You can see this structure under “Course Overview” in the menu to the left.

Each video lecture has one or more in video-quizzes, at which you can have a try while watching. This is a good way to make sure you have understood the lecture before moving on.

There are also study questions, or ungraded quizzes, belonging to the lectures. These quizzes can be taken an indefinite number of times and is recommended as practice before attempting the graded quizzes.

Every period of three weeks ends with a graded quiz.

Grading Policy: Statement of Accomplishment

Here is how the final grade for a normal Statement of Accomplishment will be calculated.

- **Graded Quizzes**

There are three graded quizzes, one for each study period. Each quiz will contain 10 randomly chosen questions and the student can earn a maximum of 10 points.

Students will get three attempts at each quiz during the study period. See the specific deadlines next to the quizzes. It will also be possible to make one additional attempt per quiz during the round-up week, in order to improve results which would otherwise be below the passing grade.

The quizzes will be open from the first day of the study period until the end of the period in question. We urge students not to leave it until the last moment, since it is not possible to submit answers after the deadline has passed.

- **Pre-Course and Post-Course Surveys**

There is a pre-course and a post-course survey which we would like students to submit, each worth a maximum of 2 points. Students need to answer all the questions in order to get full credits.

The pre-course survey is open for two weeks from the opening of the course, and the post-course quiz is open for two weeks from the end of the course.

- **Passing grade**

The maximum number of points a student can earn in the normal Statement of Accomplishment track is 34 points. Students must receive an overall grade of at least 80 % out of the total of 100 % maximum possible in order to pass.

[Take a graded quiz](#)

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Grading Policy: Statement of Accomplishment with Distinction

If a student wishes to earn a Statement of Accomplishment with Distinction, he or she needs to write a two-part peer-graded assignment in addition to the requirements for a normal Statement of Accomplishment.

There will be two periods in which to do this; the first five weeks or the last five weeks of the course. Students must complete the required assignments during *one* of these periods. Read more about the assignments in the menu to the left.

- **Presentation and Peer review One (30 % of total grade)**

The first assignment will be a maximum of 500 words, and is a presentation on the issue that will be discussed in the final report.

The presentation is followed by a peer review period, where the student will receive and read through several presentations made by other students. Five peer reviews are required. The review consists of a statement of 100-300 words per essay and grading of different criteria.

The Presentation and Peer review One can earn a maximum of **9 points** and counts towards 30 % of the total grade.

A 30 % penalty will be applied if the student performs fewer than the required number of evaluations.

- **Final Report and Peer Review Two (70 % of total grade)**

The second assignment is a final report of a maximum of 2500 words on the subject chosen and presented in the first assignment.

The second peer review follows the same structure as the first one, but the student shall

also self-evaluate his or her work. Two peer reviews and one self review are required.

The Final Report and Peer review Two can earn a maximum of **15 points** and counts towards 70 % of the total grade.

A 30 % penalty will be applied if the student performs fewer than the required number of evaluations.

- **Passing grade**

The maximum number of points a student can earn in the Statement of Accomplishment with Distinction track is **24 points** (9 points for Presentation and Peer review One and 15 points for Final Report and Peer review Two).

Students must receive 60 % out of 100 % in order to pass.

Please note that students must also meet the criteria for a normal Statement of Accomplishment to receive a Statement of Accomplishment with Distinction.

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