

How your performance is scored and graded in this course (Psyc 100, E100).

Note: Canvas is very limited – any calculated columns are incorrect as Canvas cannot handle ‘the best 6 of 7 quizzes’ or ‘the best 3 of 4 exams’, **so please ignore most calculated columns in Canvas!** *Only after the **all** scores are included will the Total column display your correctly calculated final percentage.*

With that warning in mind, some students are curious about how the scores reported in Canvas translate to a total out of 300 **course points** and finally to a percentage out of 100. Most scores reported in Canvas will be reported as **course points** and other scores will be reported as *RAW points*. Outlined below are the steps needed to calculate the number of **course points** for each component of the course.

Each of the 4 two-part term exams may contribute up to 68 **course points** (only the best 3 of Part I and the best 3 of Part II of the exams will be counted). For all 4 exams, Part I will have 48 MC questions based on the assigned Course material (may contribute up to 48 **course points**). The essay-style question on exams #1, #2 & #3 may contribute up to 20 **course points** for each exam. Term exam #4 has 20 MC questions (1 point each) that may integrate material from any of the Course Units. The total for the best 3 of 4 Part I and the best 3 of 4 Part II may contribute 204 **course points**. $((E\#1(PI)+E\#2(PI)+E\#3(PI)+E\#4(PI)) - (\text{lowest score of } E\#1(PI), E\#2(PI), E\#3(PI), E\#4(PI))) + ((E\#1(PII)+E\#2(PII)+E\#3(PII)+E\#4(PII)) - (\text{lowest score of } E\#1(PII), E\#2(PII), E\#3(PII), E\#4(PII))) = \text{ExamTotal} / 204 \text{ course points}$.

The 7 Textbook Quizzes (only the best 6 of your 7 quizzes count) will be worth up to 60 **course points** (6 X 10 points). Each quiz has 10 questions and a score out of 10 is reported in Canvas. After the lowest quiz score is dropped from the list, the points will be summed and reported out of 60. Or $(Q1+Q2+Q3+Q4+Q5+Q6+Q7) - (\text{lowest score of } Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, Q5, Q6, Q7) = \text{QuizTotal} / 60 \text{ course points}$.

Each Research Participation Credit (RPS) is worth 3 **course points** for a maximum of 18 **course points**. (Note: RPS Credits will be added to Canvas only after the classes finish.) $\text{RPS} / 18 \text{ course points}$.

The Differentiating Research Designs Assignment is worth up to 18 **course points**, but is scored out of 36 *RAW points* and will be reported in Canvas out of 36 *RAW points* (AssignRAW). The *RAW points* will be divided by 2 when added to the RPS Credits for the $\text{AssignTotal} / 36 \text{ course points}$. Or $\text{AssignRAW} / 2 + \text{RPS} = \text{AssignTotal} / 36 \text{ course points}$.

Three columns in Canvas will display the **subtotals** when they have been calculated correctly.

ExamTotal / 204 course points +
QuizTotal / 60 course points +
AssignTotal / 36 course points =

Your course point total / 300

To calculate your final course percentage, simply divide your total **course points** total by 3. The Course Syllabus explains what percentage values are predicted to be associated with what letter grades (plus or minus 2.5%).

Note: *There are no University policy mandated cut-off points for letter grades, so each course may use different percentage values for different letter grades.*