

How Your Grade Was Determined
2011

We began by looking at how you fit into the grid below:

Grade	Minimum Midterm	Minimum Final	Minimum Sum
A+	95	165	260
A	85	140	225
A-	80	135	215
B+	75	130	205
B	70	120	190
B-	65	110	175
C+	60	100	160
C	55	80	135
C-	50	70	120
D	35	60	95

If your sum was, say, 220, you have a points grade of A-. We then look for any dramatic trends between the midterm and the final (did you jump from a C- to an A+?). Then we look at your section grade. If there is a significant discrepancy between points and section, or between midterm and final, we have a discussion which informally places about 25% weight on section. This is the time for such things as, "Does this student REALLY understand economics better than the exam scores?"