COVID-19 Academic Senate Updates
Spring 2020 Grading Option Policy

The UC San Diego Academic Senate has approved temporary changes and provided guidance due to changes in campus operating status during the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. A summary of these temporary changes is available here: http://senate.ucsd.edu/current-affairs/news-announcements/covid-19-updates-academic-senate-guidance-for-changes-in-campus-operating-status/

In response to the Senate's allowing departments, programs, and colleges to relax letter grade requirements, the Biostatistics Graduate Programs Committee (BGPC) has issued the following grading option recommendations for Biostatistics Graduate Students enrolled in the following required courses for Spring 2020:

FMPH 223. Analysis of Longitudinal Data *(Dr. Florin Vaida)*
No exception. The BGPC recommendation is for students to enroll in the letter-grade grading option.

FMPH 224. Clinical Trials *(Dr. Sonia Jain)*
No exception. The BGPC recommendation is for students to enroll in the letter-grade option if they want it to count as part of their required core courses.

FMPH 241. Biostatistics Rotation / FMPH 290. Biostatistics Journal Club / FPM 297. Special Study / FMPH 299. Dissertation Research
All of these courses are already under the satisfactory/unsatisfactory grading option.

MATH 281-C. Mathematical Statistics *(Dr. Wenxin Zhou)*
One-time exception. The BGPC is allowing students to enroll in the letter-grade or the satisfactory/unsatisfactory grading option.

MATH 284. Survival Analysis *(Dr. Lily (Ronghui) Xu)*
No exception. The BGPC recommendation is for students to enroll in the letter-grade grading option.