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- point grading scale

Marking by the new scale

WHY?

The 13-point grading scale has caused some problems in student exchange. The seldom use of the mark 13 for exceptional performances made it difficult for Danish students to be accepted into some foreign universities that admit only applicants with top grades. Contrary to intentions, the mark 11 was not considered a top mark.

The new 7-point grading scale is based on the joint European transfer scale, the ECTS scale. The Danish scale now has the same number of marks with comparable meanings.

For further information, please visit http://www.uvm.dk/nyskala where information in English is available.

WHEN?

As from the autumn semester 2007, the 7-point grading scale is used in all graded examinations.

HOW?

The assessment is based on an evaluation of the degree to which the examinee's performance fulfils the objectives of the tested syllabus. Marks are thus based on the assessment criteria. Please consult the study regulations for specifications of aims and criteria.

The examinee's performance is assessed absolutely in accordance with the stipulated objectives and assessment criteria. A specific distribution of marks (relative assessment) should not be sought.

The 7-point grading scale consists of the five pass marks 02, 4, 7, 10 and 12 and the fail marks 00 and -3.

WHERE?

Ministerial orders on the grading scale and examinations may be found via the AAU regulations website: http://adm.aau.dk/regelsamling (Danish only).

7-point grading scale

Mark	Designation	Description	ECTS
12	Excellent	For an excellent performance dis- playing a high level of command of all aspects of the relevant material, with no or only a few minor weaknesses.	A
10	Very good	For a very good performance dis- playing a high level of command of most aspects of the relevant material, with only minor weak- nesses.	В
7	Good	For a good performance dis- playing good command of the relevant material, but also some weaknesses.	с
4	Fair	For a fair performance displaying some command of the relevant material, but also some major weaknesses.	D
02	Adequate	For a performance meeting only the minimum requirements for acceptance.	E
00	Inadequate	For a performance which does not meet the minimum require- ments for acceptance.	Fx
-3	Poor	For a performance which is unacceptable in all respects.	F