Grading policies and definitions can be found on the [MIT registrar's website](#).

Grades are collected by the WHOI registrar and reported to MIT.

Research grades

- Grades for research are submitted three times a year (December/fall term, May/spring term, and August/summer session).

- Prethesis students (who haven't passed the thesis proposal defense) need a grade of Pass, D, or Fail.

- Thesis students are assumed to be making satisfactory progress unless the registrar is told otherwise by the advisor.

Course grades

Course grades have varying due dates dependent upon whether or not a final exam has been scheduled through MIT. The due date for grades is listed in the [WHOI academic calendar](#) and sent to instructors at the beginning and end of each term.