

### Calculating your course grade:

1. Add your scores on the papers and multiply the total by .18.
2. Add you scores on the three tests and the four extra credit assignments and multiply that total by .12.
3. Add the totals from steps 1 and 2.
4. Add ten points if you sent in your survey responses on time (a few people turned them in late and lost some points).

Compare the total against the following scale

Grade	Minimum points necessary
A	78.0
A-	74.1
B+	70.6
B	67.7
B-	65.2
C+	61.6
C	58.8
C-	56.2
D+	52.7
D	49.8
D-	47.3

For example, say you got 85 on the first paper, 90 on the second, 75, 83, and 79 on the three tests, got full scores for all the extra credits (10, 5, 5, 5), and turned in the survey results on time. Your totals from the steps, using \* to indicate multiplication:

1.  $(85+90)*.18=31.5$
2.  $(75+83+79+10+5+5+5)*.12=31.44$
3.  $31.5+31.44=62.94$
4.  $62.94+10=72.94$

That's above the minimum needed for a B+ (70.6) but falls short of the minimum needed for an A- (74.1). So your grade coming into the final is a B+.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The course includes some "easy" points (extra credit and the points for the survey) and some harder ones (papers and tests). You've already received credit for the easy ones--what remains is from the harder part. So you should regard the grade now as being on the optimistic side--what you'll get if you do pretty well on the final.