WHEREAS, in 1982, the Sangamon State University (now University of Illinois at Springfield) created and implemented a grading policy (University Assembly Bill 11-2); and

WHEREAS, the policy establishes that a maximum of eight credit hours of C grades are allowable for graduate degrees, which must be balanced by equal number of credit hours of A grades; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Council has determined that current policy is difficult to apply equally across all degrees;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Illinois at Springfield Campus Senate approves the Graduate Grading Policy Clarification.

New catalog copy:
Grades Acceptable Toward Master’s Degrees
   Campus policy allows master’s degree students to apply a maximum of eight hours of C grade (grades of C- or lower are not allowed) toward a degree, provided they have earned a minimum of a 3.0 GPA at time of graduation. Individual academic programs may require a higher minimum grade for graduate credit, so graduate students should check with their academic advisor and/or department regarding individual program requirements to determine if a grade of C is acceptable. Credit for courses in which grades below C, including grades of C-, are earned will not count toward master’s degree requirements.
**Explanatory Note:** The new catalog copy was adopted as amended on April 5, 2013, and will be effective beginning with the catalog for AY 2014/2015. This supersedes UB 11:2.

**UB 11:2**
A maximum of 8 hours of C grade at the graduate level is applicable to the degree provided that each hours of “C” is balanced by an hour of “A”. Individual graduate programs may not accept certain courses in which “C” grades are earned.