

## SAT/UNS FAQs

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You are welcome and encouraged to take this course SAT/UNS.

You may also take this course for a letter grade.

### Can I take SAT/UNS?

Yes, if an undergrad, GSAS student, or cross-registered student, you may take CS50 SAT/UNS; simply register for catalog number 43861. You do not need David's permission or signature. (In years past, a signature was required to take CS50 Pass/Fail, but the course has since transitioned to SAT/UNS, which does not require a signature.) You can change your mind up until the fifth Monday of term; there's no fee for changing CS50's grading status.

### Can I take CS50 for a letter grade?

Yes, you may take CS50 for a letter grade. In fact, if an undergrad, you should if your (potential) concentration requires that you take CS50 for a letter grade, if you want Empirical and Mathematical Reasoning credit for Gen Ed, and/or you simply want to receive a letter grade. Simply register for catalog number 4949. You can change your mind up until the fifth Monday of term; there's no fee for changing CS50's grading status.

### Should I take CS50 SAT/UNS or for a letter grade?

If you intend for CS50 to satisfy your Empirical and Mathematical Reasoning requirement for Gen Ed, you should take CS50 for a letter grade (which Gen Ed requires). If you intend for CS50 to satisfy a concentration requirement and your intended concentration requires letter grades for concentration credit (as would be indicated under **Fields of Concentration** in the *Handbook for Students*), you should take CS50 for a letter grade. If your concentration's *Handbook* page only allows or disallows Pass/Fail courses, best to confer with the concentration as to whether it would allow or disallow a SAT/UNS course.

If neither Gen Ed nor concentration credit are intended, you are welcome and encouraged to take CS50 SAT/UNS. If you're on the fence, you're encouraged to register SAT/UNS and then decide by the fifth Monday of term whether to remain SAT/UNS or switch to a letter grade, once you have five weeks of experience under your belt.

### Does a grade of SAT in CS50 count for concentration credit in CS?

If you already intend to concentrate in CS, you should take CS50 for a letter grade. But should you decide to concentrate in CS only after taking CS50, a SAT in CS50 would count for concentration credit in CS.

### Can freshmen take both CS50 and a Freshman Seminar SAT/UNS?

Yes. Even though freshmen, per the *Handbook for Students*, "may not ordinarily enroll in both a Freshman Seminar and another non-letter-graded course in any one term," you may indeed take both CS50 and a Freshman Seminar SAT/UNS.

Unfortunately, because of a bug (well, lack of feature), my.harvard.edu won't let you add both to your study card. It will tell you that "at least three course enrollments must be on a letter graded basis." Not to worry. Simply add the Letter Grade version of CS50 (catalog number 4949) to your study card instead, and then submit [cs50.net/workaround](http://cs50.net/workaround) to switch to SAT/UNS. Alternatively, you can submit an Add/Drop form to the Registrar yourself, dropping catalog number 4949 from your study card and adding catalog number 43861. We'll simply automate that process for you. There will be no fee to change CS50's grading status.

### How do I change my grading status in CS50?

To change from SAT/UNS to a letter grade in CS50 (before the fifth Monday of term), submit an Add/Drop form to the Registrar dropping catalog number 43861 and adding catalog number 4949.

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