

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY

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HISTORY

Idaho State University was established in 1901 as the Academy of Idaho, was renamed Idaho Technical Institute in 1915, and reorganized as the Southern Branch of University of Idaho in 1927. It was established as Idaho State College in 1947, and by action of the 37th Idaho Legislature, the institution became Idaho State University on July 1, 1963.

ACCREDITATION

Idaho State University is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES AND GRADING DETAIL

Professional development courses are offered on a year-round, open-enrollment basis.

Professional development (PD) courses accrue as clock hours with no credit hour equivalency. Courses are graded and transcribed as satisfactory (S) or unsatisfactory (U). If a course is not started, or started but not completed within the completion timeframe listed on the course syllabus, an X grade is placed on the transcript.

Professional development Plus (PD+) courses accrue as graduate-level, non-degree, semester credits. Forty-five (45) clock hours of learning are equivalent to one (1) graduate college credit, calculated as follows: one (1) hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two (2) hours of out-of-class work each week for fifteen (15) weeks, or the equivalent amount of work over a different period of time. PD+ courses are transcribed using letter grades following ISU's Graduate Catalog grading policy which can be found at: <http://isu.edu/grading>. Subject to the approval of the ISU Graduate School, a maximum of six (6) PD+ credits may be applied toward a graduate degree at ISU.

No other grades or marks will be entered on the transcript.

HISTORY

Effective September 8, 2026, courses are differentiated by clock hours and semester credits.

Effective September 1, 2025, semesters are no longer listed, and Albion Center courses are recorded by date the course was completed. Transcripts issued after December 11, 2025 reflect this change, retroactive to September 1, 2025. This change is a recognition of the

nature of courses as open enrollment, rather than semester based.

Prior to September 1, 2025, Albion Center courses are recorded by the semester (Fall, Spring Summer) in which the student enrolled.

TRANSFER POLICY

See Graduate Catalog for University policy on transfer of credits.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRANSCRIPT

As of January 1, 2018, all earned professional development credits appear on this transcript only. Any professional development credits taken prior to the above listed date will appear on the student's transcript ordered through the Office of the Registrar. Both transcripts are official Idaho State University transcripts.

TO TEST FOR AUTHENTICITY: Transcripts are printed on security paper that have the following security features:

- Full white border with "UNAUTHORIZED COPY" hidden pantograph
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Emailed official transcripts will provide a link to the student's record. A separate link in the same email will provide this transcript key. Emailed transcripts cannot be tested by the authenticity parameters listed above.