Grading system Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences

ECTS
ECTS, the European Course Credit Transfer System, was developed by the European Commission to provide common procedures to guarantee the full transferability of credits for university studies abroad in order that they might count towards a final qualification in the home country.
It provides a way of measuring and comparing academic merits and transferring them from one institution to another. The system is based on three core elements: information (on study programmes and student achievement), mutual agreement (between the partner institutions and the student) and the use of ECTS credits(to indicate student workload). In itself, ECTS in no way regulates the content, structure or equivalence of study programmes, the credits are simply a value allocated to course units as a means of describing the workload required to complete the course/module. In ECTS, 60 credits normally represent the workload required for one year's full-time study, 30 credits per semester or 20 credits per term (in a tri-semester system).

Information on the Dutch grading system
The grading system has remained unchanged for several decades: the scale ranges from 1 (very poor) to 10 (excellent).

The lowest passing grade for a module is 5.5.
Credits are linked to passed modules and are awarded only once. If a module consists of partial modules, the average of the partial modules must be 5.5 or higher. In project education the results of all tasks must be sufficient.

In addition, alphanumerical study results are used at Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences.

EXPLANATION OF THE GRADES

1	Very poor
2	Poor
3	Very insufficient
4	Insufficient
5	Almost sufficient
5,4	Not passed
5,5	Passed
6	Sufficient
7	More than sufficient
8	Good
9	Very good
10	Excellent
G	Good
V	Sufficient
T	Almost sufficient
O	Very insufficient
ZS	Very poor
VRY	Exemption
VLD	Fulfilled
ND	Not participated
NVD	Registered but not finished, or grade below 4