

What is

# STANDARDS-BASED GRADING?

**A MEANS OF**  
assessing student work based  
on clearly defined criteria and  
using specific course rubrics



**USES PROCESS**  
and progress as a path  
to critical thinking and  
understanding



**DEVELOPS**  
meaningful formative assessments  
(at-home or in-class practice that is  
not factored in the course grade)  
with timely feedback as practice for  
mastery of skill without penalty



**ALLOWS**  
students to take ownership  
of their learning while  
establishing trust between  
student and teacher



**AWARDS**  
level of achievement that students  
accomplish over the duration of  
the course based on summative  
assessments (unit assessments-  
students' opportunities to  
demonstrate the learning  
objectives, as described by  
specific course rubrics)



**REQUIRES**  
students' self-reflection and  
self-awareness.

