COMPARATIVE GRADES IN FIELD CROPS COURSES.  

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The question of grading students' work is one of great importance. In many of the educational institutions of the country a uniform and standard system of grading is recommended. Meyer (3) states that the system used at the University of Missouri has eliminated approximately sixty-seven percent of the non-uniformities in grading.

In the establishment of a uniform and standard system for assigning marks to students it is necessary to have something as the basis. It is rather generally stated that students' grades follow the distribution required by the normal frequency curve. Hall (3) concludes that the "average classes of students, doing honest work and marked equitably, will yield results which when tabulated should conform to the binomial curve, i.e., the number receiving medium marks should far exceed the number receiving high or low marks". There are two conditions to be fulfilled, namely, honesty on the part of the student and equity on the part of the student and equity on the part of the faculty.

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