What To Do on Probation

1) **Meet with an L&S College Adviser and keep in touch all semester long.** Schedule an appointment to see a College Adviser at anytime - [http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/](http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/)

2) **Take care of yourself.** Don’t forget to eat right and to get enough sleep. If you are feeling very stressed out by probation or by anything else, please contact the Tang Center counselors at (510) 642-9494.

3) **Read all of the e-mails that you receive from the College!** Check your spam folder.

4) **Check out the Student Learning Center (SLC):** [http://slc.berkeley.edu](http://slc.berkeley.edu)

The SLC is an excellent resource for all students. Many students have taken advantage of a variety of SLC programs. Among the programs offered in Spring 2016 are the following:

**Education 98/198 Growing Optimized Active Learning Strategies (G.O.A.L.S for Success)**

**Enrollment information:**

- Tuesdays 2-4 pm in 175 Dwinelle
  - EDUC 98  Sec. 11  CCN: 23629
  - EDUC 198  Sec. 11  CCN: 23896

- Thursdays 2-4 pm in 136 Barrows
  - EDUC 98  Sec. 12  CCN: 23632
  - EDUC 198  Sec. 12  CCN: 23899

- Tuesdays 12-2 in 202 Wheeler (Study Strategies focused on students in Sciences)
  - STEM Fields
    - EDUC 98  Sec. 13  CCN: 23635
    - EDUC 198  Sec. 13  CCN: 23902

**Education 98/198 Exploring Learning Differences, Embracing Divergent Thinking and Creativity**

**Enrollment information:**

- Exploring Learning Differences, Embracing Divergent Thinking and Creativity
  - Wednesdays 4-6pm in 263 Dwinelle
  - EDUC 98  Sec. 14  CCN: 23638
  - EDUC 198  Sec. 14  CCN: 23905

  - **SLC Writing Program:** Tutors are available to work with students, either by drop-in or by pre-scheduled appointments.

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Additional SLC resources are also available for Transfer and International Students.

5) **Choose your courses wisely.** Do not take a heavy course load this semester to “catch up.” Taking too many units because you are worried that you are “behind” is a risky choice that steeply increases your odds of academic dismissal. L&S College Advisers are available to help you to choose the courses that will work best for you each semester.

6) **Know Your Deadlines.** [http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/calendar.html](http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/calendar.html). Before each deadline, ask yourself, how am I doing in all of my classes? Do I need to drop one? Talk to a College Adviser if you are having any trouble in a class.

7) **Repeating Courses:** Repeating courses in which a student received a grade of D+ or lower is *often* a good idea – but sometimes not. If a student is not certain that they can perform better in the course, repeating it may not be the best decision.

Students must be aware of the following when repeating classes under the College’s repeat rules:
- You may apply it to a maximum of 12 units of coursework
- You may repeat a course ONLY ONCE
- The SECOND grade replaces the original grade, even if the second grade is LOWER

Keep in mind that repeating a class in which a student has earned a “not pass” (NP) on a letter-graded basis will not help the student to clear probation unless the grade earned is above C; therefore students on probation should not plan to repeat any NP grades unless they have returned to good academic standing.

8) **Incomplete grades:** Students are required to discuss any work that is incomplete (“I”) with their professor. For more information about I grades, including policies, deadlines and extensions (even after the “I” has lapsed to an “F”) and/or “freezing” of the grade, please see [http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/registration/incomplete.html](http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/registration/incomplete.html)

9) **UC Berkeley Summer Sessions:** Students cannot clear academic probation nor can they become subject to dismissal after completing a Berkeley Summer Sessions term. A student can only clear probation or be subject to dismissal during a probationary term, defined as a regular fall or spring semester. Using Berkeley Summer Sessions WISELY may help students reduce their grade point balance deficit so that it is easier to clear after their probationary term.

*Important Note:* Students enrolling in UC Berkeley Summer Sessions to meet conditions set by the College in order to be continued on probation for a fall semester must meet the conditions or are subject to dismissal.

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