Welcome to the Student Success Workshop

De Anza Counseling and Advising Center
Introductions

• How many of you have come into the Counseling Center before?
• Was it busy or slow when you came in?
• **Helpful tip:** weeks 3-6 are the best time to come in to update your ed plan.
• If you are on probation you will be sent an email informing you what level of probation you are on and what intervention you need to complete if you have a hold on your registration.
• **Helpful tip:** Please read all emails from De Anza as soon as you receive them.
COUN 50: Introduction to College

• How many of you have taken COUN 200: Orientation to College or COUN 50: Introduction to College?

• **Helpful tip:** *You will learn everything you need to know to accomplish your academic goal in COUN 50.*

• Students who take COUN 50 and meet regularly with a counselor are more likely to have a comprehensive ed plan and be on track.

• It’s never too late to benefit from taking this class.
Choice of Major

• How many of you have a major and an educational goal?
• How many are undecided in their choice of major?
• Students who are undecided are often less motivated and unfocused and perhaps more likely to be on probation.

• **Helpful tip:** Undecided students are invited to meet with a counselor and take CLP 70: Self-Assessment or CLP 75: College Major and Career Options.
Your GPA and College Transcripts

- How many of you know what is your current GPA (grade point average)?
- Where can you find your GPA?
- You can find your GPA and all the classes you have taken at De Anza on your My Portal.
- Select the Registration tab and select View My Unofficial Transcript.
- **Helpful tip:** Scroll through and identify all the classes with D’s, F’s, W’s (Withdrawal) and NP (No Pass). Make these classes a priority to retake.
Levels of Probation

• There are five levels of academic probation.
• Students will advance to the next level of probation in each consecutive enrolled quarter in which they do not earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0.
• Students who earn a cumulative GPA of less than 2.0 in each of the five consecutive enrolled quarters will be on Dismissal status.
Levels of Probation

- **Level 1: Basic Probation.** Hold – attend Student Success Workshop
- **Level 2: Moderate Probation.** No hold – complete Academic Progress Report (APR) form and quiz
- **Level 3 - Severe Probation.** Hold - complete APR and meet with a counselor
- **Level 4 - Pre-dismissal.** No hold – Read and reply to email acknowledging pre-dismissal implications
- **Level 6 – Dismissal (excluding summer).** Hold – option to appeal by completing APR and meet with a counselor
- **Readmission.** Meet with a counselor to develop an ed plan
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Priority Registration

• Students who are on probation for two consecutive quarters lose their priority registration status.

• More information about priority registration can be found on the De Anza web site.
What is Academic Probation

- A student who has attempted 18 or more quarter units will be placed on academic probation if the student has earned a cumulative grade point average (GPA) below 2.0 in all units.

- **Cumulative GPA**: your entire De Anza history
- **Current GPA**: the GPA you earned last quarter
- A student on academic probation shall be removed from probation when the student’s cumulative GPA is 2.0 or higher.
Success Strategy # 1: Retake classes

• The fastest way to improve your GPA is to retake classes you did not pass at De Anza.
• The more recent grade is included in your GPA and the original grade will be excluded.

Winter 2015
Hist 17A  F  GPA = 0  excluded

Fall 2015
Hist 17A  A  GPA = 4.0  included

This is great news!

*Helpful tip: Taking your English classes as soon as possible will help you succeed in your other classes.*
Class Repeat Policy

• Students cannot repeat a course if they receive a C grade or higher.
• Students cannot enroll in a course more than three times.
• If you receive two Ws, two substandard grades, or a combination of a W and D/F in a course, the system will block you from enrolling again without an override. You will need to request an override from Admissions and Records to register in the course again.
Understanding Progress Probation

• Progress Probation occurs when a student has attempted at least 18 quarter units and the percentage of “W” (Withdrawal), “I” (Incomplete), and “NP” (No Pass) received in those units reaches or exceeds 50%.

• Progress probation has nothing to do with GPA. It’s about course completion percentage.

• A student will be removed from progress probation when the percentage of course completion is 50% or higher.
Success Strategy # 2

• Be aware of drop deadlines. The second Sunday of each 12 week quarter is the last day to drop a class with no record of grade.

• The 8\textsuperscript{th} Friday of the quarter is the last day to drop for a W (withdrawal).

• Only enroll in classes you are certain you will complete.

• Withdrawing early in the quarter and going below 12 units will affect your priority registration.
Success Strategy 3: Time Management Skills Are Important To Your Success

• If you work, how many hours a week do you work?

• How much time do you need to devote to your other responsibilities like family, relationships or engaging in other activities that are important to you?

• How much time do you need for personal needs such as sleeping, eating, and traveling to and from school?

• Create a daily and weekly schedule to see how much time you have left for school. Once you have an idea of how many hours a week you can realistically allocate to school, figure out how many units you should take. The following is a recommended formula to determine the total time required for success in a class.
Time Management and College Units

Formula: 2 hours of study time should be planned for each unit taken

Example

12 units = 12 hours per week in class
Study time = 12 hours x 2 hours = 24 hours study time
Total time = 12 hours in class + 24 hours of study time = 36 hours per week to focus on all classes.

Managing Work and School

• If you work 15 hours/week, then consider enrolling in no more than 12 - 15 units.

• If you work 25 hours/week, then consider enrolling in no more than 9 - 12 units.

• If you work 40 hours/week, then consider enrolling in no more than 4 - 8 units.
The Benefit of Pass/No Pass

• Taking classes for Pass/No Pass (P/NP) can be an effective way to raise your GPA for many reasons.
• P/NP are non letter grades and do not affect GPA.
• To earn a Pass you must earn a C grade or higher.
• To earn a No Pass, you must earn a D+ grade or lower.
• De Anza does not offer the grade of C-
• Certain classes must always be taken for a letter grade (A, B, C...)
• Your major courses must be taken for a letter grade.
• The Golden Four classes for GE must be taken for a letter grade.
• Other GE classes, prerequisites and electives can be taken for P/NP
• The IGETC limits student to 21 units for P/NP.
• Make sure you complete the [GE certification request form](#) before transferring.
• You have until the fourth Friday of the [academic calendar](#) to request P/NP
• **Helpful tip:** A counselor can advise you which classes are safe to take for P/NP
Success Strategy # 4

• When taking a full load, identify which classes must be taken for a letter grade and which classes can be taken for P/NP.

• Using your time management skills, focus your time and energy on letter grade classes at the expense of your P/NP classes.

• Translation: Do A work in classes that count and do less than A work in P/NP classes and your GPA remains high.
Which scenario produces a higher GPA?

1: Fall 2015
- EWRT 1A  A
- MATH 10  A
- PSYC 1   B
GPA: 3.71

2: Fall 2015
- EWRT 1A  A
- MATH 10  A
- PSYC 1   P
GPA: 4.0
Success Strategy # 5 Campus Resources

• Develop a comprehensive ed plan with a counselor. We are committed to your success.
• Take advantage of your instructor’s office hours to get additional assistance.
• Take advantage of the Student Success Center which includes tutoring.
• Check out a complete list of A – Z services.
• Join a study group.
Final Thoughts

• Retake classes at the college you originally attended to improve your GPA.
• Retake classes before you apply for transfer.
• Identify triggers that may hinder your academic success (having electronic devices nearby when studying).
• Find a healthy balance between college and your personal life using proactive time management skills.
• Check your unofficial transcript and repeat classes with substandard grades as soon as possible.
• Pay attention to the academic calendar for important deadlines.
• Take COUN 50: Introduction to College to get on track.
• Take CLP 70 or 75 if you are undecided in your choice of major.
Your Probation Hold

• Will be removed after this workshop.
• If you see you still have a probation hold come to the Counseling Center front desk and we will make sure the hold is removed.
• There are other types of holds as well such as cashier holds.
• If you are currently not attending then you need to reapply to De Anza.