# Frequently Asked Questions about the TAP Program

## 1. What is Academic Probation, Academic Dismissal and Progress Probation?

Academic probation means the student is not currently meeting the minimum academic standards set by Solano Community College. The minimum requirement is a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0. There are multiple levels of probation.

- The first level is **Academic Probation** and serves as a first alert to pay attention to your cumulative GPA.
- If the next primary (Spring or Fall) semester the cumulative GPA remains below 2.0, the student moves to **Academic Probation 2** and should contact the TAP program to make an appointment with the TAP counselor.
- Academic Dismissal happens on the third consecutive primary semester of a cumulative GPA below 2.0. At this level
  the student must contact the TAP Program (<u>TAP@solano.edu</u> or 707.864.700 x 4752) and follow the TAP
  reinstatement process in order to enroll in classes. Academic Dismissal is based on GPA. Once a student reaches a
  2.0 GPA or higher and has completed 51% of their units with a "C" grade they are no longer on Academic
  Dismissal.
- Academic Probation 2.25 This level is attained once an academically dismissed student improves their cumulative GPA, but remains below 2.0. Students can register for classes without a petition and we recommend meeting with a TAP counselor.

**Progress Probation** follows the same process and 3 stages as Academic Probation. However, it is not specified on the transcript. You must read the cumulative units on the transcript. A student should complete a minimum 50% of the cumulative units *attempted* to meet the college minimum requirement. If the cumulative units *earned* are less than 50% of the cumulative units *attempted* the student is placed on Progress Probation.

#### 2. What is TAP?

See this link: http://www.solano.edu/academic\_support/tap.php

# 3. What is the reinstatement process?

- Complete the Readmission form and TAP Intake form.
  - i. Intake Form Link

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=jhZd3OUUsUSZrreYSqKTBoZhONkmZL1IkdJOhVXfc8pUQkYzV0IQRU9ITFBXUTMySzBHSTQ3NzkwOC4u

#### ii. Readmission Form Link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=jhZd3OUUsUSZrreYSqKTBoZhONkmZL1IkdJOhVXfc8pUQ0xHVUdBRUY3MVBCS01BOUo4VUcxV0gwSC4u

- Register for a TAP Workshop (complete the workshop once per year). Contact: <u>TAP@solano.edu</u> or 707.864.700 x 4752
- Schedule a post workshop appointment with a TAP counselor. Contact: <u>TAP@solano.edu</u> or 707.864.700 x
- Students are notified within one week after their appointment with TAP counselor that their petition is approved or disapproved.

#### 4. What does the Workshop cover?

What is TAP and how TAP helps students.

- Helping students understand what is probation and what is dismissal.
- Teaching students how to read an academic transcript.
- Explaining what academic standing is.
- Explaining what the TAP Reinstatement process is.
- Explaining why it takes time to move away from dismissal and probation.

## 5. What services does TAP provide?

- TAP students have a designated retention counselor to support them.
- Links students to other support services.

### 6. What is Academic Renewal?

See this link: http://www.solano.edu/ar/policies.php#renewal

#### 7. I'm on academic dismissal, how long do I have to wait until I can register for classes again?

There is no waiting period if a student completes the TAP reinstatement process. Once completed, a student on Academic Dismissal may be allowed to register for a limited number of units.

## 8. Why do I have to I see a TAP counselor instead of my regular counselor?

Students who are enrolled in EOPS, CalWorks, Veterans, DSP, Puente, should continue seeing their program counselor as necessary. However, the general counseling department does not have the authority to process Readmission After Dismissal Petitions and/or remove academic holds.

### 9. How do I get an appointment to see the TAP Counselor?

Call or email the TAP program (<u>TAP@solano.edu</u> or 707.864.700 x 4752). If you email or leave a voice message, please include your name and student ID and what the appointment is about.