Suspension: General FAQs

1. **What does it mean to be suspended?**
   Students who are suspended are not eligible to take classes at the University of California (including UC San Diego Division of Extended Studies) during the time period they are suspended.

2. **What is the difference between Academic Disqualification and Suspension?**
   Academic disqualification is related to a student’s academic standing at the University, whereas suspension is a disciplinary action. A student is subject to academic disqualification if their GPA falls below a specified threshold for one or multiple quarters ([https://senate.ucsd.edu/Operating-Procedures/Senate-Manual/Regulations/515](https://senate.ucsd.edu/Operating-Procedures/Senate-Manual/Regulations/515)). While these processes are separate, students who are suspended as the result of an Academic Integrity violation often face academic penalties in the reported class, which may impact academic standing. If you are on academic probation or subject to academic disqualification, please visit the following website for more information about getting back on track: [https://backontrack.ucsd.edu/](https://backontrack.ucsd.edu/). If you have questions about academic disqualification, contact Academic Advising:
   - Undergraduate: [http://vac.ucsd.edu](http://vac.ucsd.edu)
   - Graduate: Specific Department Academic Advising

3. **What happens to my transcript?**
   During the duration of your suspension, a notation will be placed on your transcript indicating that you have been suspended due to an academic integrity violation. The notation will be placed on your transcript for the length of your suspension.

4. **Who oversees my suspension?**
   Your college Dean of Student Affairs (undergraduate) or the Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies (graduate) oversees your suspension. At the start of your suspension a hold will be placed on your account. This hold will prevent admission, registration, and the awarding of your degree.

5. **I have been suspended but I have already completed my degree. What happens now?**
   A hold will be placed on your account which will delay and defer the conferral of your degree. At the end of the suspension, the hold will be removed and your degree awarded date will reflect the date of the end of your suspension (e.g., if you were
scheduled to graduate at the end of SP22, but were suspended for FA22, your degree will not be conferred or dated until the end of FA22, rather than in SP22).

6. **Can I enroll at another school while I am suspended?**
   Yes, you are eligible to enroll in another (non-University of California) university or community college during your suspension period to continue taking classes and progressing towards your degree. You should schedule an appointment with an academic advisor to discuss what classes you should take to maximize this situation.

7. **Can I enroll at UC San Diego Division of Extended Studies or another UC campus while I am suspended?**
   No, you are not eligible to enroll at UC San Diego Division of Extended Studies or another UC campus.

8. **I appealed my suspension. Should I enroll in classes?**
   Yes, you should enroll in your classes. If your suspension is upheld, you will be administratively withdrawn from your classes and your fees refunded.

9. **I've been suspended but I am still enrolled in my classes. What is going on?**
   Student suspensions are manually processed. This sometimes leads to delays in enacting the suspension. If your suspension is final, meaning you are not pending an appeal decision, you should prepare to be administratively withdrawn from your classes and your fees refunded. If your suspension is scheduled to occur in a future quarter, you will not be administratively withdrawn until the start of that quarter.

10. **When will I be able to enroll in classes after my suspension ends?**
    If you have been suspended for one quarter, the hold preventing you from enrolling in classes will be removed in time for you to enroll in courses for the next quarter. If you have been suspended for two quarters or longer, you will need to apply for readmission before you can enroll (see next question).

11. **Will I have to apply for readmission when I come back to UC San Diego?**
    This depends on how long your suspension is. If you have been absent for only 1 quarter, you are considered a continuing student and will not need to apply for readmission. However, if you have been absent for 2 quarters or more, you must apply for readmission to UCSD. After you have applied, you will be notified by e-mail of your application status and follow-up steps. See [https://students.ucsd.edu/academics/enroll/special-enrollment/readmission-to-ucsd.html](https://students.ucsd.edu/academics/enroll/special-enrollment/readmission-to-ucsd.html) for more information.

12. **Does summer count towards my suspension?**
    No, students are only suspended for regular academic quarters: Fall, Winter, and Spring. If you are suspended for the Fall quarter, you are eligible to take summer courses. If you are suspended for multiple quarters which encompass the summer, you will also be able
to enroll in summer courses. However, you will need to contact your college Dean of Student Affairs (undergraduates) or Assistant Dean of Graduate Division (graduate students) to temporarily lift your hold to enable you to enroll in summer courses. Note that this exception for summer courses only applies to academic integrity cases.

13. **Is there anyone I can talk to about how the suspension will impact my academic plan?**
All students facing suspension should reach out to an Academic Advisor to make plans regarding their classes, academic progress, and/or degree conferral:
- Undergraduate: [http://vac.ucsd.edu](http://vac.ucsd.edu)
- Graduate: Specific Department Academic Advising