Dear UCBS EAP Reciprocity Students,

I am looking forward to meeting you at CALI training on September 25! Fall classes start on September 28. Below are a few announcements and reminders as we start fall quarter.

**Week of Welcome**
There are many events planned for September 22 – October 1 to welcome and introduce you to UCSB! Here is the full schedule of events: [http://www.sa.ucsb.edu/welcome/home](http://www.sa.ucsb.edu/welcome/home).

**Welcome Reception**
EAP, OISS, and the International Student Association (ISA) welcome you to UCSB! The Welcome Reception is from 3-5pm on Friday, **September 29th** in the Student Resource Building multipurpose room. Enjoy free cake, snacks, and coffee, and meet UCSB students who have just returned from studying abroad as well as other international students. If you were not assigned an EAP Buddy this is the perfect place to connect with a UCSB student!

**Enrollment & Crashing Classes**

**If you are still trying to get into classes:**
- If the class has prerequisites or is open only to majors, contact the department’s academic advisor by following the prerequisite clearance instructions. (Special instructions for Engineers).
- If the class is full, join the waitlist. Here is more information on waitlists.
- If the class is full without a waitlist, check GOLD frequently, as other students are dropping classes and spaces may open.
- Enroll in alternative classes. You must enroll in at least 12 units. If you get into the class you want later, you can drop the one you don’t want.
- If you are still not enrolled in the class by time it starts, crash the class.

**Crashing Courses**
- For tips on crashing courses from our Former Peer Advisors, please watch this Youtube video: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-9Q10vdarFY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-9Q10vdarFY).
- The first week of school, go to all of the classes you wish to take. Sign the roster to reserve your spot and to let the professor know that you attended class.
- Talk to the professor and introduce yourself as an EAP student (The letter you will get from the EAP sign-in table at CALI Training may help with this).
- When you successfully get into the class, the professor will provide you with an approval code, which you will then use to add the class on GOLD. It can take 1 or 2 weeks for everything to be finalized, so please don’t panic if you don’t receive an approval code on the first day.

**Tips for crashing courses:**
- Crash more courses that you actually intend to enroll in. For example – if you need to add one more course to your schedule, crash two or three courses.
- Be flexible! Look for courses outside of your major subject area. This is a great opportunity to explore subject areas that you wouldn’t normally take at your home university. Check with your home university if that is ok with them.
- Remember, crashing courses is not unique to EAP students. Almost all UCSB students have had to crash courses at some point. Many UCSB students will “shop around” for courses during the first week of school.

Many of you will not have a finalized class schedule until Week 1 or 2 – if you’re in this situation, don’t panic. While this may seem overwhelming, many students at UCSB have to crash a few courses throughout their time here and it is a very normal procedure. Be sure to attend all classes starting on the first day so you do not fall behind!
Grading Options: What is the difference between P/NP and a letter grade?

- Letter grades are used in calculating the university grade-point average (GPA). Unit credit is awarded for any grade of D- or above, while no credit is awarded for F grades.
- Passed/Not Passed (P/NP) grades, on the other hand, are not included in calculating the university grade-point average. A grade of P will be assigned for coursework equivalent to a C or higher on the letter-grade basis and will receive credit. A grade of NP will be assigned for coursework equivalent to a C- or below, and no credit will be awarded.
- Some universities will not accept courses taken on the P/NP grading option, so please check with your home university before making your selection.

Schedule Adjustment: Adding & Dropping Classes

- It is possible to adjust your class schedule during the first weeks of the term by adding or dropping classes according to the deadlines in GOLD on the “Registration Info” tab.

EAP Office Hours

The EAP Office is in South Hall 2431. It is currently open Monday-Friday 10am-2pm. Starting next week and for the rest of the year, it will be open Monday- Thursday 9:30am-4pm, and Friday 9:30am-2pm. Come in any time to have your questions answered by our friendly Peer Advisors who know UCSB well and can answer questions about crashing classes, buses, payments, living in Isla Vista, student clubs, and more.

If you have a form for us to sign, you can drop it off at the EAP Office front desk. We will sign it the next day, and will email you when it’s ready. We can email you a scanned copy, and leave the original at the front desk for you to pick up.

Genesis and Adrienne’s Drop-in Hours

If you would like to meet with Genesis or Adrienne please come to the EAP Office in South Hall 2431 during our drop-in hours, or call or email to schedule an appointment. See below for our drop in hours according to your last name, but if it is urgent either of us can help:

Genesis Herrera (last names A-L): genesis@eap.ucsb.edu, 805-893-5735.  
Drop-in hours: Mondays 1:30-3:30pm, Tuesdays 1:30-3:30pm, Thursdays 10am-noon, or by appointment.

Adrienne Wheeler (last names M-Z): adrienne@eap.ucsb.edu, 805-893-5662.  
Drop-in hours: Mondays 10am-noon, Tuesdays 1:30-3:30pm, Thursdays 1:30-3:30pm, or by appointment.

Reminders

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  If you have not already completed Part 1, do so no later than September 22. Here are the instructions.
• **Gaucho FYI**  
The deadline to enroll in a mandatory Gaucho FYI session is **September 25**. Enroll here: [https://secure1.vzorientation.com/ucsb/](https://secure1.vzorientation.com/ucsb/)

• **Online CALI Training**  
You must complete the online CALI Training before you attend the in-person CALI Training on September 25. It covers many topics that will not be discussed in-person: [http://oiss.sa.ucsb.edu/programs/cali-training](http://oiss.sa.ucsb.edu/programs/cali-training) (be sure to click on the one for EAP/reciprocity students).

• **In-person CALI Training**  
Your mandatory orientation starts at **9:00am Monday, September 25** at the Corwin Pavilion, followed by a free BBQ at Goleta Beach! Check in will be open from 8-9am to pick up a free t-shirt, water bottle, other welcome information, and enjoy free coffee and tea while meeting other students. Please eat breakfast before you come, and wear comfortable shoes and a hat or sunscreen for the beach.

• **Pre-Arrival Information & Instructions**  
All of our previous emails are posted on our [website](http://oiss.sa.ucsb.edu/programs/cali-training). Many of your questions will also be answered in the [Online CALI-Training](http://oiss.sa.ucsb.edu/programs/cali-training).

If you have any questions please let us know. We’re looking forward to meeting you!

Best,