Online Continued Engineering Probation Module

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How to Complete Your Probation Advising Requirement

- Students on continued engineering probation are required to:
  - Complete the *online probation module*. This online module is specifically for students on continued engineering probation (i.e. the second semester of engineering probation).
  - Complete the Engineering Success Plan, which will be emailed to you within 1 week of being notified of your probation status.
  - Meet with your designated ESS advisor in the ESS building.
Online Probation Module

After completing the online probation module, you should be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of general engineering probation policies, especially as they relate to students on continued engineering probation.
- Understand how your probation status is determined, including what courses are used in the engineering probation calculation and how major and required technical courses GPA’s are determined.
- Determine what grades you need to earn in your courses this semester to remove yourself from probation and avoid dismissal.
What is Engineering Probation?

The engineering probation system was developed as an early warning system to help students remain on track while pursuing an engineering degree. Engineering probation status can affect your ability for internal transfer within engineering.
Probation Defined

A student is placed on engineering probation under one (or both) of the following circumstances:

- If the student’s in-residence grade point average in courses from the **Major** area of study falls **below a 2.00**.
- If the student’s in-residence grade point average in **Required Technical Courses (RTC)** falls **below a 2.00**.

Students on engineering probation have **two long semesters** to remove themselves from probation or they will be dismissed from the Cockrell School of Engineering.
Important Points for Students on Continued Engineering Probation

If you have less than 2.0 GPA on Major or Required Technical Courses:

- You have **only two long semesters** to remove yourself from probation or you will be dismissed from engineering. Take this into account when creating your schedule. Make sure that you take classes that will count toward engineering probation totals.
- All engineering probation students are required to be advised by an Engineering Student Services Advisor (in the ESS building).
- There are two types of probation: engineering and scholastic. For information about scholastic probation, please see the [General Information Catalog](#).
What Courses are Included in Probation Calculations?

• In-residence Major Courses and Required Technical Courses (RTC) are used in the calculation to determine engineering probation status (Major + OTC = RTC).

• Major courses include all courses in the student's discipline which are required under the student's engineering degree plan.

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More Courses Included in Probation Calculations

- **Other Technical Courses (OTC)** are all math and science courses, and all engineering courses taken outside of the student’s department, that count toward the degree. Prerequisite courses and supplemental instruction, such as M 305G and GE courses, do not count in the OTC calculation.

- **Required Technical Courses (RTC)** include Major courses *plus* your Other Technical Courses.
How do I calculate my Major and RTC GPA?

- Engineering uses a point system to determine if you have a 2.0 GPA in your Major and RTC. A 2.0 GPA is equal to zero points using engineering scoring. Point values for each letter grade are:

  - A = +2
  - A- = +1.67
  - B+ = +1.33
  - B = +1
  - B- = +0.67
  - C+ = +0.33
  - C = 0
  - C- = -0.33
  - D+ = -0.67
  - D = -1
  - D- = -1.33
  - F = -2

- You receive grade points for each class based on the number of credit hours the class carries and the grade in that class. You calculate point totals in both Major and Required Technical Courses (RTC) to determine your probation status.
When am I on Engineering Probation?

- If you have zero points in Major and Required Technical Courses (RTC), your GPA in that area is exactly 2.0. You are not on probation.

- If you have less than zero points in your Major, then you are on engineering probation.

- If you have less than zero points in Required Technical Courses (RTC), then you are on engineering probation.

- If you have zero or more points in both Major and Required Technical Courses (RTC), then you are not on engineering probation.
What Does My Personal Probation Worksheet Tell Me?

– You can determine if and why you are on probation by looking at your personal probation worksheet online.

– The probation worksheet automatically calculates all of the points for each engineering, math, and science class, and totals the points in the Major, OTC, and RTC. If the Major and/or RTC display a negative point balance, then you are on probation because of your total points in that area (Major and/or RTC).
How Do I Get Removed from Probation?

• You will be removed from probation when you have zero points (2.0 GPA) or more, in Major courses and RTC. Each hour of B will raise your point total by 1 point, and each hour of A will raise your point total by 2 points. Remember, only Major and RTC in-residence grades are included in the engineering probation calculation.
Next Steps

1. Review your online probation worksheet.
2. Go online to complete your Engineering Success Plan. A personalized link will be sent to the email address that you have listed in the UT Directory. If you do not receive the link, send an email to studentservices@engr.utexas.edu.
3. Call Engineering Student Services at (512)471-4321 and set up an appointment with your probation advisor. Make sure to bring your probation questionnaire to your appointment.
Congratulations!

• You’ve completed the online probation module.

• Make sure to complete your probation advising by filling out the Engineering Success Plan and meeting with your designated ESS advisor.

• Have a great semester!
For more information

• If you need a more specific refresher on how to calculate engineering probation, repeat this module.