We recognize that this is a difficult time, please know that the BASC advisors are here to support you.

Our Philosophy
In the spirit of the Biology Academic Success Center’s Mission Statement and in consultation with the College of Biological Sciences faculty and Deans, we endeavor to address students’ academic difficulties holistically. We empower students “not in good standing” by providing guidance thoughtfully and professionally, offering solutions to each individual’s challenges with the goal of successful completion of a degree at the University of California, Davis.

Subject to Dismissal, Appeal, and Appointment – A thoughtful process
Once your status is determined by the Office of the University Registrar as “subject to dismissal”, the process includes the following:

1. Committee Review – We review your academic records in consultation with the CBS Associate Dean
2. Review Student Input – We consider your unique situation by reviewing your dismissal appeal form
3. Subject to Dismissal Appointment – We talk with you about solutions to any barriers to your success
4. Follow Up – We collaborate with you to get you back into “good standing” and back on track

The purpose of the subject to dismissal appointment is to:
✓ Review your cumulative academic progress and clarify academic policy as it pertains to your academic status
✓ Create a reasonable and realistic plan for you to return to good academic standing
✓ Identify on and/or off campus resources and services that can support your academic success
✓ Discuss solutions to issues that may have negatively affected your academic progress (ex. illness, employment, family responsibilities, transition to a new environment, etc.)

A Time for Reflection
✓ Realistically assess your academic goals. Do you have the ability and motivation needed to succeed in your intended major? Should you consider taking time away from UCD to better prepare you for your intended major? If your intended major in not the best fit, discuss ways with your advisor to explore alternative majors.
✓ Consider your mental and physical health. Are you well enough to continue your academics next quarter and on? Are you using campus resources and services to support your overall well-being? If you are not ready to address these circumstances, the issues may continue to arise and/or worsen.
✓ Be ready to make specific changes. Are you ready to make significant and specific changes to impact your academics? What are the barriers and challenges you have faced, and what are possible solutions? Consider specific actions you will take to facilitate your academic success.

If you are in distress regarding your circumstances, we encourage you to seek support from the Student Health and Counseling Services on the first floor of the Student Health and Wellness Center. Their office can be reached at (530) 752-2349; support is available 24 hours a day.