1. **Probation – Blocked from Registering**
   a. Probation: During a “regular” semester (i.e. Fall or Spring) if a student obtains a semester GPA of less than 2.0, an in-major GPA less than 2.0, or has a cumulative TAMU GPA that is less than 2.0, then that student will either be placed on academic probation during the following regular semester that he/she attends or be dismissed (see #2). All students placed on probation will receive an email with probation terms as well as a date to schedule a meeting with an advisor.

   b. Terms of probation during a “regular” semester: Students must complete at least 12 hours towards the INEN degree during the following regular semester on probation with no grade of D, F, or Q over core curriculum or ISEN courses and at least a 2.0 GPA for the semester. (Exceptions to requiring 12 hours for students who are working full time while attending school are possible when the request for an exception is made before the semester starts.)

   Students on probation due to a cumulative GPA of less than 2.0 are required to attend the Academic Success Program administered by the Academic Success Center of Texas A&M (http://successcenter.tamu.edu). Students on probation due to a semester GPA of less than 2.0 but whose cumulative GPA is 2.0 or better are strongly encouraged to attend the Academic Success Program.

   If a student fails to satisfy these probationary terms, the student will be blocked from continuing in the department (i.e. dismissed, see #2).

   Terms of probation for students during “non-regular” semesters (e.g. summer and mini-mesters): Students will neither be put on probation nor be removed from probation based on non-regular semester course work. However, there is an expectation of no D, F, or Q over core curriculum and ISEN courses and at least 2.0 GPA over the non-regular semester courses.

2. **Dismissal – Dropped from Courses and Hold Placed**
   a. Dismissal: a student can be dismissed from the university, college of engineering or ISEN department for scholastic deficiency. Most commonly, university dismissals are when cumulative TAMU GPA goes significantly below 2.0, college of engineering dismissals are for three consecutive regular semester GPAs below 2.0, and ISEN department dismissals are for failing to satisfy probationary terms.

   b. For students choosing to appeal a dismissal from the university or college of engineering, an appeal must be made to the office listed in the dismissal letter. For students that receive an email stating they are dismissed from the ISEN department can appeal by sending an email (from a tamu.edu account) to the ISEN Associate Department Head for Undergraduate Affairs. In particular, students whose cumulative TAMU GPA is 2.0 or greater, an appeal can be made at the department level by writing an email (with attachments, if needed) containing a plan specifying the steps the student will take to insure a successful semester if allowed to continue. For students whose cumulative TAMU GPA is less than 2.0, an appeal at the department level is possible with documented evidence of circumstances beyond the student’s control (e.g., personal or family medical problems) causing the poor academic performance in addition to a plan specifying the steps the student will take to insure a successful semester if allowed to continue.
c. If a student’s appeal is accepted, then the student will be placed on probation (with conditions described in an email) as well as asked to meet an advisor on a specified date. If a student’s appeal is not accepted, he or she would have to apply for “readmission” into the department, college and university (typically the suspension period is for one year).

3. Closet Major
   Students must take courses that are directed towards the INEN degree plan. Students failing to take courses that are directed towards the INEN degree plan will be blocked from continuing in the department and will be advised to change majors.

4. Student Rights
   Students who remain blocked from continued enrollment after an appeal has been made at the department level may appeal the department’s decision to the college by contacting Ms. Cathy Sperry at e-sperry@tamu.edu. The college decision may be appealed to the Undergraduate Appeals Panel (http://student-rules.tamu.edu/rule50).