What’s happening Week 5?

LA Hacks Application Now Open
LA Hacks is one of the biggest student-run hackathons on the West Coast, held every spring at UCLA’s iconic Pauley Pavilion. Over 1000 students from distinguished universities across the nation work together in teams to challenge themselves and create something beyond their comfort level - all in the span of 36 hours. Collaborate and build creative solutions to problems, while pushing the limits of your mind and body to make something amazing. LA Hacks will take place from March 30th to April 1st in Pauley Pavilion. Applications will close on February 19th at 11:59 pm. Apply now on www.lahacks.com.

What to Do with Your Gap Year Workshop
Taking a year off after graduation? Want to use your gap year productively? Attend a “speed dating” workshop to learn how you can optimize your year off in order to gain valuable experience that will make you a more competitive applicant for graduate/professional schools or the job market! Representatives from Fulbright, UCLA College Academic Counseling, City Year, and Teach for America will be present at the workshop to discuss gap year opportunities. Get all the information you need to apply for fellowships and positions for post graduation! The workshop will occur on February 6th from 4-5:30 pm in 314 Royce Hall. To attend the workshop, RSVP here: http://humanities.ucla.edu/career/hcps/events/what-to-do-with-your-gap-year-3/.

Spring Enrollment
Spring enrollment begins this week! Priority pass begins on Monday, February 5th and first pass begins on Thursday, February 8th. Second pass will begin Thursday, February 15th. As a reminder, you can only enroll in up to 10 units during your first pass and up to 19 units during your second pass. If you do not enroll during your first pass, you must wait until your second pass appointment in order to enroll in a class. To enroll in a course, sign onto MyUCLA and click “Find a Class and Enroll” under the “Classes” tab. If you need excess study list units, you must wait till the first day of Spring Quarter to petition for more units. For more information about pass times and how they are assigned, visit http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/Registration-Classes/Enrollment-Appointments/Enrollment-Appointments.
Have you heard about ECP but aren’t completely sure what it is? Then look no further, because we have you covered in this edition of The Connection!

What is ECP?
The Expected Cumulative Progress (ECP) policy is designed to promote four-year graduation for undergraduate students in the College of Letters and Science. ECP is a progress check that occurs every two quarters freshmen admits are enrolled.

Are transfer students held to ECP?
No, only freshmen admit are held to ECP. If you entered UCLA as a transfer student, you are NOT held to ECP.

When do ECP checks occur?
ECP checks occur on registered even-numbered quarters. If a student is consistently enrolled at UCLA in the first year, his/her academic progress will be checked once after Winter Quarter (quarter 2, completed 27 UC units). During the second year, the student’s academic progress is checked twice (quarters 4 and 6).

Does AP/IB credit count towards ECP?
AP/IB credit and any community college courses completed in high school and prior to matriculation at UCLA DO NOT count towards ECP. ECP only checks for units completed after you become a UCLA student.

What happens if I do not meet ECP?
If a student does not meet ECP, then a hold will automatically be placed on the student’s record during week 5 of the following quarter. If this is your first time receiving an ECP hold, you may complete an online ECP workshop on CCLE, and the hold will be removed up to 24 hours after completion. If this is your second or third time receiving an ECP hold, you must meet with a College Counselor.

What does an ECP hold do?
ECP holds will prevent you from making current study list changes on MyU-CLA (e.g. change of grading basis, dropping a course) and prevent enrollment for the following term. Campus services may also be restricted. ECP holds are typically placed after your monitored term during week 5.

What if I’m going to graduate on time?
If you were (1) admitted as a freshman, (2) have completed two years, and (3) can complete all requirements for your undergraduate degree within four years, you are eligible to apply for an exemption from ECP progress checks. You can pick up this petition at your College Counseling unit or at an ASK station.

What if I’m not going to graduate on time?
If you are not graduating in four years, you will need to check in with a College Counselor to discuss the ECP appeal process.

For more information about ECP, please visit here.

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CONDUITS

Are you looking for hidden campus gems to enhance your time at UCLA? Look no further! Every week Conduits will feature a campus resource, selected by our very own ASK Peer Counselors, that will help you maximize your academic and social experience at UCLA.

The Community Programs Office Food Closet opened in 2009 and is located in the Student Activities Center Level 1, East Wing. Any UCLA student can go to the Food Closet and access free food like fresh produce, canned goods, and toiletries. It is completely anonymous; no one has to sign in and no one monitors how many times you use the Food Closet. The food is usually donated by the community and anyone who is able to donate. If you wish to donate, small portable items are preferred. To learn more about what types of food may be donated, visit http://www.cpo.ucla.edu/cpo/foodcloset/ or for general inquiries contact foodcloset@cpo.ucla.edu.