

## **May 15, 1998: Graduate Council Student Parent Policies**

BERKELEY: OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF THE GRADUATE DIVISION

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To: Deans, Directors, Department Chairs, Chairs of Graduate Groups,  
Graduate Adviser Chairs

From: Mary Ann Mason

Associate Dean

Re: Graduate Council Student Parent Policies

At its meeting on April 27, 1998, the Graduate Council adopted a policy statement regarding graduate students who are parents. The Council recommends that graduate students who are coping with childbirth or other serious parental demands be granted additional time to meet established deadlines for passing preliminary and/or Qualifying Examinations and completing their dissertations.

I am enclosing a copy of the policy statement. Please distribute copies to your colleagues and graduate students. Thank you.

cc: Graduate Assistants

Enclosure