Policy On Relationships Between Graduate Students And Undergraduate Students

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Psychology department policy (September 2004) prohibits those hired as Teaching Associates, Teaching Assistants, or Readers from pursuing romantic relationships with any student currently enrolled in or holding an incomplete grade in the class to which the Associate, TA or Reader is appointed. Department policy also prohibits graduate students pursuing romantic relationships with students enrolled in Psychology 199 or Psychology 99 with the graduate student's advisor as Instructor of Record.

Violation of these policies constitutes a violation of the terms of appointment for Teaching Associate, Teaching Assistant, and Reader positions and of professional conduct for graduate students. Violation of these policies will be considered by the Departmental Executive Committee and may result in withdrawal of support and/or termination from the program.

This policy is consistent with University of California system wide policy for faculty members regarding relationships with students or others they supervise.