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Dear Graduate Student,

Although most aspects of your graduate program are administered within your department or School, some regulations apply to all graduate students across the University. These are found in the 2014-2016 edition of "Regulations and University Policies Concerning Graduate Studies," which is available at [http://www.rochester.edu/GradBulletin/PDFbulletin/Regulations14-16.pdf](http://www.rochester.edu/GradBulletin/PDFbulletin/Regulations14-16.pdf). (You may hear this referred to as the Red Book).

This official University of Rochester document gives details on the rules to be followed by all graduate students and graduate programs as well as University policies that affect them. Topics addressed in this document include requirements for registration, dissertation advisory committees, leaves of absence and completion of degrees, as well as definitions and policies on student misconduct.

You should familiarize yourself with this publication, and I suggest you bookmark it. It is your responsibility to know the rules that govern your graduate education at Rochester.

Sincerely,

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