

DEAR MRS. GREENE,

I hope this email finds you well.

 My name is Arush Mehra, I'm a University of Rochester alum having graduated recently in May of 2021. I'm not sure if you remember me but we've briefly met—I had a very brief conversation with you about Delhi, India (my hometown) when you visited the U of R campus for a talk, and you mentioned that you had visited India for a wedding and wanted to visit again!

The reason I'm sending you this email today is simply, to thank you. Thank you for all your talks, all your sessions, all your conversations, and all your advice.

Even though I'm usually very driven/energetic, during my undergraduate years at the U of R, I found myself going through spells of indifference/apathy, where I was demotivated and lost my incentive to carry on. During these times, it was talks and the advice, and your personal experiences/anecdotes, that enabled me to carry on. In fact, funnily enough, I started using your stories as an example to motivate my mom! Whenever she used 'I'm getting old' as an excuse for her laziness, I used to tell her that if Gwen Greene can exhibit that level of energy at an age greater than yours, you have no excuse for doing so (not that I'm calling you old, just older than my mom!)

I am reminded of you today since it's a special day for me. I'm officially moving to my apartment in New York City today where I now have a job with EY as a Business Consultant. And the reason I'm here today, is because of the motivation that your talks provided.

So once again, thank you, Mrs. Greene. You touched many lives through your visits to campus, and I just wanted to thank you on behalf of all of us Rochester grads, who certainly owe a small part of our success to you.

Sincerely, Arush Mehra