Welcome to the University of Michigan! Graduate school is an exciting time in your life. It can also feel overwhelming, especially if you don’t know your way around. We want you to make the most of all the campus resources that the University of Michigan and the surrounding community have to offer. The links listed below provide you with the information needed to help you get off to a great start!

**DEPARTMENTS**
Visit your department office and initiate a meeting with your program’s graduate coordinator (an individual who is assigned to provide specific program advice and support) and your advisor. It is important for you to become familiar with your department’s rules and regulations, as well as those of Rackham and the University. The departmental office is there to assist you, but it is your responsibility to be aware of graduate policies and deadlines, so make sure that you are aware of departmental expectations and where to access policies and other information related to completion of your degree.

**MCARD**
Get your Mcard photo ID for library borrowing privileges, building access, meal plans, and ATM/debit card access...all on one card! For information about how to obtain a card or to report a lost or stolen card, go to the website at http://www.finance.umich.edu/treasury/mcard.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**
Sign up for your free e-mail account. The ITS Accounts Office can assist with computing accounts, subscriptions, uniqnames, passwords, and billing inquiries regarding ITS services. Visit their website at http://www.itcs.umich.edu.

**STUDENTS WITH CHILDREN**
For a comprehensive list of family and parenting resources available at the University of Michigan, visit http://www.studentswithchildren.umich.edu.

**HEALTH SERVICES**
*On Campus Health Services*
University Health Service offers a wide spectrum of medical services including physicals, a full-service pharmacy, laboratory work and x-rays, and physical therapy. Visit their website at http://www.uhs.umich.edu.

Health insurance will be important to you and your family while you are at the University of Michigan. For more information on health insurance and other insurance benefits, visit http://www.uhs.umich.edu/fees-insurance.

GSI, GSSA or GSRA health insurance information is available at http://www.benefits.umich.edu/plans/medical/gradcare.html.

*Ann Arbor Community Health Facilities*
The range of medical care in Ann Arbor is exceptional. Choose from the extensive list of links for local health care information at http://annarborobserver.com/cg/t0079.html.

**HOUSING**
For assistance with your housing needs visit the University Housing website at http://www.housing.umich.edu/.

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RECREATIONAL SPORTS
When you need a break, University of Michigan offers plenty of choices for recreation. Rec Sports provides fitness programs, outdoor recreation, intramural sports, sports clubs, and state-of-the-art recreation facilities. For more information visit their website at http://www.recsports.umich.edu.

SAFETY RESOURCES
U-M Police
For information on crime prevention strategies, the law enforcement authority of the University, and policies and statistics about crime on campus, visit the U-M Police website at http://www.police.umich.edu.

Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center (SAPAC)
SAPAC offers support and educational services to University of Michigan students, staff, faculty and their families related to sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, sexual harassment and stalking. The center operates a 24-hour crisis line (734) 936-3333 and around-the-clock outreach services. For more information about SAPAC, visit http://sapac.umich.edu.

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION RESOURCES
Parking and Transportation Services (PTS) is the place to visit for information on campus bus route maps and schedules, parking permits, and Magic Bus – an app that provides real-time bus location information. In addition, PTS partners with the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority to provide fare-free rides on all AATA bus routes for University of Michigan faculty, staff and students. For additional information about PTS, visit http://pts.umich.edu.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
Rackham Student Government (RSG)
http://www.rsg.umich.edu/
RSG is the student governing body representing the interests of students enrolled in the Rackham Graduate School.

Students of Color of Rackham (SCOR)
http://www.umich.edu/~scorweb
SCOR is dedicated to the social, cultural, and academic well-being of students of color of African, Asian, Latino, and Native American descent, and also welcomes students of other cultures, ethnicities, and international origins.

Central Student Government (CSG)
https://csg.umich.edu/
CSG is the central student government at the University of Michigan, representing students from every school and college.

Maize Pages
https://maizepages.umich.edu
Maize Pages is the University of Michigan’s online directory of registered student organizations.

HAVE QUESTIONS?
We have answers! Rackham Graduate School is your one stop shop for counseling resources, advice, academic support, workshops, and much more!
http://www.rackham.umich.edu

For additional information about community resources such as grocery stores, transportation, local attractions/entertainment, and more, please visit The Guide to Campus and Community for Graduate and Professional Students at http://www.rackham.umich.edu/current-students/life-at-michigan/guide.