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Expectations of a Graduate student

Realistic

- ✓ Be aware of rules, regulations and policies regarding your degree program, academic integrity, research integrity, and scholarly conduct
- ✓ Take primary responsibility for program milestones and degree completion
- ✓ Effectively communicate academic deadlines and circumstances that might affect academic progress
- ✓ Submit research work and scholarship applications well in advance of deadlines for review and feedback
- ✓ Meet with your supervisor and supervisory committee on a regular basis
- ✓ Maintain a professional relationship with your supervisor. Make an effort to resolve any conflicts quickly and seek outside help when needed
- ✓ Be proactive and devote the time, effort and energy necessary for progressing in your academic program
- ✓ Seek out professional development opportunities and apply for scholarships/awards

Unrealistic

- ✗ Write major works or conduct research without feedback and guidance
- ✗ Know all of the answers

Questions or concerns? Contact:

- Graduate Program Director
- FGS Graduate Academic and International Specialist (grad.advisor@ucalgary.ca)
- Student Ombuds (ombuds@ucalgary.ca)



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Expectations of a **Supervisor**

Realistic

- ✓ Be knowledgeable of academic standards and norms within the field of study
- ✓ Discuss rules of academic integrity, research integrity and scholarly conduct
- ✓ Work with you to establish realistic timelines and monitor program milestones
- ✓ Discuss circumstances that might affect academic progress
- ✓ Provide constructive feedback on written work within a reasonable timeframe, outlining both strengths and areas that need improvement
- ✓ Assemble supervisory and examination committees and schedule examinations
- ✓ Maintain a professional relationship with all students and work to resolve issues quickly
- ✓ Be accessible for scheduled meetings and provide feedback, guidance and advice
- ✓ Encourage you to participate in professional development activities and plan their career
- ✓ Support scholarship applications and provide opportunities for skill development

Unrealistic

- ✗ Write for you
- ✗ Respond to last-minute requests for feedback on written works, or read poorly edited/unfinished works
- ✗ Know all of the answers