The MOST IMPORTANT Things to Know as a Grad Rebel

All of the following information and much more, is available on the Graduate College website (graduatecollege.unlv.edu).

1. **Read the Graduate Catalog**
   It is important to read the Graduate Catalog and familiarize yourself with the rules, policies, procedures, and requirements of the Graduate College and your specific degree program. The Graduate Catalog can be found on the Graduate College homepage under “Important Links,” or at: catalog.unlv.edu.

2. **Know your Graduate Coordinator**
   Graduate coordinators are the primary point of contact for graduate education and graduate students in the academic departments. For a complete list graduate coordinators, please visit: unlv.edu/graduatecollege/graduate-coordinators.

3. **Submit Mandatory Forms**
   Follow the graduate study timeline to advance through your graduate program in the proper sequence. Using this timeline will help ensure that you meet the necessary requirements for graduation. The process begins after you are admitted to the Graduate College. To view the timeline and applicable forms, please visit: unlv.edu/graduatecollege/study-timeline.

4. **Become Familiar with MyUNLV**
   MyUNLV is the place to access and update your personal data, register for classes, check grades, apply for financial aid, make payments, and much more. To access MyUNLV, visit: my.unlv.nevada.edu.

5. **Activate and Use your Rebelmail**
   Your Rebelmail account is the primary way you will receive official university communications. To activate or log into your account, or for more information, visit: rebelmail.unlv.edu.

6. **Contact the GPSA**
   The Graduate and Professional Student Association serves as the student government for all graduate and professional students, providing a voice in important matters concerning graduate students, offering funding opportunities, and holding social events for graduate students to meet each other. The GPSA is located in the Graduate Student Commons, on the second floor of the Lied Library (LLB 2141). For more information, visit: gpsa.unlv.edu.

7. **Learn about Graduate Assistantships**
   Graduate assistants, or GAs, have a unique dual role: they are both graduate students and research or teaching assistants who contribute to the academic mission of the university. Graduate students awarded these competitive positions receive a stipend and benefits package for their work in the classrooms, offices, and laboratories of the university. Information regarding how to become a GA, guidelines, regulations, and benefits can be found at: unlv.edu/graduatecollege/ga.

8. **Explore your Financing Options**
   Important information regarding financial aid, scholarships, fellowships, costs, tuition, fees, and external funding can be found at: unlv.edu/graduatecollege/financing. In order to qualify for federal student loans, financial aid packages, graduate assistantships and scholarships/ fellowships you must submit a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Apply online at: fafsa.ed.gov.

9. **Establish Nevada Residency**
   The Board of Regents establishes Nevada residency for tuition purposes. If you have been assessed out-of-state tuition, information regarding Nevada residency qualifications and how to apply for residency can be found at: unlv.edu/graduatecollege/residency.

10. **Get your RebelCard**
    Your RebelCard is your official university-issued identification. Information about the RebelCard can be found at: rebelcard.unlv.edu RebelCard Services is located on the first floor of the Student Union next to Starbucks.

11. **Apply for Graduation**
    You may apply for graduation approximately 2 semesters before your anticipated graduation term. Visit the Graduate College website for instructions, application deadlines, and fee information: unlv.edu/graduatecollege.

12. **Are you and international student?**
    For questions regarding your I-20, call (702) 895-8003 or email internationalgrad@unlv.edu.