

Mentor Commitment Checklist

Adapted from Rackham Graduate School, UMich

Department of Geology & Geophysics



- be committed to mentoring the student
- be committed to the research project of the graduate student.
- be committed to meeting with the student on a regular basis
- be committed to providing resources / doing my best to help the student find the resources, conduct research, complete and successfully defend the thesis.
- be committed to providing resources for the student to take required safety trainings and carry out field work (if applicable). I will discuss the risks of remote field work and will do my best to alleviate risks as applicable.
- be knowledgeable of the department and graduate school rules and regulations and will guide the student, especially when the student is 'lost'.
- help the student in selecting a graduate advisory committee and put together a relevant GSP
- help the student in developing required skills eg. in oral and written communication, grant writing, ethical conduct in research, scientific publication etc.
- discuss policies on authorship in papers, data ownership etc. and clarify my expectations for office hours, vacations etc. with the graduate student.
- encourage the graduate student to attend professional meetings, disseminate research results, build a strong network, and will help the student to secure funding for such activities.
- try to provide for every graduate student under my supervision an environment that is intellectually stimulating, emotionally supportive, safe, and free of harassment.
- be supportive, equitable, accessible, encouraging, and respectful throughout the duration of the student's time in the graduate program at UAF.