

PSD Graduate Student Resources

In addition to your faculty and your department or program staff, there are divisional (PSD) and University offices that support your [Graduate Education](#). This guide is intended as a quick reference to help you navigate the many resources available to you.

People

Physical Sciences Division

Dean of Students: [Miranda Swanson](#) 773-702-8790, ERC 307

Associate Dean of Students: [Emily Easton](#) 773-702-9708, ERC 307

Assistant Dean of Students: [Shirley Proby](#) 773-702-8789

Your academic program office is often your first stop for information about routine matters, but your Dean of Students office provides you with another level of support and guidance (e.g., questions about leaves of absence or withdrawal, serving as a sounding board prior to a departmental conversation, connections to campus resources) . The PSD Dean of Students Office works with your program faculty and staff and other administrative offices throughout the university on a wide range of student-related business and programming. If you have questions or concerns, we invite you call, email, or visit us in person.

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[Office of the Student Ombudsperson](#)

The Office of the Student Ombudsperson is a resource for all University of Chicago students to assist in the resolution of conflicts, concerns, and other problems that they may encounter through the course of University life.

Resources for Student Input

Departmental

- You may schedule an individual student meeting with the Executive Officer/Director of Graduate Studies/Graduate Concerns Committee or your Department Chair or Program Director.
- Other formal mechanisms include departmental town halls and/or ombudspersons.

Physical Sciences Division

- [PSD Dean's Student Advisory Committee \(DSAC\)](#)

Committee meetings give PSD students an advisory voice in the division's administration and an opportunity to comment on how institutional policies and plans affect student life. Likewise, they provide the deans with an opportunity to explain institutional policies to the students and to learn first-hand about student concerns.

- [PSD Social Committee \(PSD-SC\)](#)

The PSD Social Committee plans social, athletic, and cultural events for students in PSD. Overseen by the PSD Dean of Students Office, the committee appropriates the Division's share of the quarterly student life fee. The committee is made up of PSD student volunteers and all PSD students are welcome to participate. A board (president, treasurer, secretary) is elected at the autumn meeting and serves a term from January to December.

- You may schedule an individual student meeting with PSD Dean of Students.

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- [The Graduate Council](#)

The Graduate Council is the representative student government for graduate students, making up half of the Assembly of the Student Government of the University of Chicago. It is comprised of representatives chosen by the various professional and graduate divisions.

- [Student Advisory Committees, Boards, and Councils](#)

Examples: [Academic Information System Student Committee](#), [International Student Advisory Board](#), [Student Health Advisory Board](#)

Policies

Physical Sciences Division

[PSD Academic Grievance Policy](#)

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[Student Manual of University Policies and Regulations](#)

UChicago Resources

Career Advising and Professional Development

[Chicago Center for Teaching](#)

[UChicagoGRAD](#)

Financial Matters

[Office of the Bursar](#)

[Student Loan Administration](#)

Health

[Student Health and Counseling Services](#)

Safety

[Safety & Security](#)

Specialized Support

[Office of International Affairs](#)

[Office of LGBTQ Student Life](#)

[Office of Multicultural Student Affairs](#)

[Spiritual Life Office](#)

[Student Disability Services](#)

Online Emergency Directory

"Whom do I contact if...": <http://help.uchicago.edu/>