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Welcome to the James T. Laney School of Graduate Studies (LGS) at Emory University! We are honored that you have entrusted us with your graduate training, and we look forward to welcoming you to campus in August.

Emory University is a special place. I came to Emory as a student in 1998, studying at the Rollins School of Public Health. When I chose Emory, I knew it was a prestigious university and that I would receive excellent training there, but I have since realized that Emory is so much more. I found a sense of purpose and community here. I found an institution that was committed to my success and growth. I found a place where I could flourish.

You can flourish at Emory University as well. By choosing Emory, you have chosen an institution that values and invests in graduate education. You have chosen an institution committed to its mission of creating, preserving, teaching, and applying knowledge in the service of humanity.

By choosing LGS, you have chosen a school that stands by its mission of providing graduate education that provides students with deep and broad expertise in their chosen fields, creativity to cross discipline boundaries, the courage to challenge convention, and the confidence to ask unexpected questions and articulate bold new perspectives.

You have chosen a school committed to creating a graduate student-centered educational experience. We do this by enhancing efforts to foster supportive environments to ensure academic success alongside overall personal well-being and growth, or what we consider a state of flourishing.

Over the next few weeks, you will receive several emails from LGS, all with the goal of helping you feel ready and confident when you arrive on campus in August. Please be on the lookout for those messages and contact your program with specific questions. You can also get ahead by reviewing the roadmap on our website [here](#), which contains a full list of tasks and links to help set you up for success.

Thank you for choosing Emory University. I look forward to meeting you in August!

Best,

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