

# The “All I Needed to Know to Survive Grad School, I Learned [Insert Life Experience]” Essay Project



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Know a student with a story  
to tell? Spread the word

The editors of “All I Needed to Know to Survive Grad School” are seeking contributions for a collection of essays. We want a diverse group of students and recent alums to describe how their past experiences helped them to develop the knowledge, skills, and habits of mind that lead to their survival – and success – in grad school.

*Waitressing helps overcome fear of public speaking. Raising a puppy teaches patience and a sense of humor. Growing up Muslim ... Beating addiction ... Flunking a class ... Coming out ... Packing lunch for my 2<sup>nd</sup> grader ... Living in a small town ...*

Too often, grad students are reluctant to share the stories of how their lives outside of school have given them what is needed to succeed. Hearing someone else’s story gives grad students the courage to continue. This book is a collection of those stories.

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