



Graduate Teaching Assistantships

Position Descriptions

Speech Communication

The Speech Communication GTAs teach 3 sections of undergraduate *COMM 207 Speech Communication*. The 20-hour week includes 9 hours of teaching, 5 office hours, 2 hours in the Axe Library Communication Center assisting others with oral presentation preparations, and 4 hours of flex-Time. Speech GTAs teach between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. MWF. Questions about this position should be forwarded to: Dr. Alicia Mason, amason@pittstate.edu

Strategic Communication

The Strategic Communication GTA assists with introductory courses in the Strategic Communication emphasis area including: *COMM 277 Introduction to Strategic Communication* and *COMM 576 Media Writing and Copy*. The 20-hour week include 6 hours of teaching and assisting with classes, 8 office hours, 2 hours supporting the Communication Research Lab, and 4 hours of flex-Time. Strategic Communication GTAs teach between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. MWF. Qualified applicants should have a working knowledge of AP and APA Writing Styles, and Adobe Photoshop and In-Design experience. Strategic Communication GTAs also assist with departmental events including the annual Internship panel, External Advisory Board, and other special events. Questions about this position should be forwarded to: Dr. Kristen Livingston, kmlivingston@pittstate.edu

Multimedia Production

The Multimedia Journalism GTA provides support in introductory courses in mass media. Depending on the candidate's background, these courses could include but not be limited to *COMM 200 Intro to Mass Communication*, *COMM 225 Reporting*, *COMM 276 Photojournalism I*, and *COMM 575 Broadcast Journalism*. The 20-hour week includes 6 hours of teaching and assisting with classes, 8 office hours, and 6 hours of flex-time. Teaching times are typically between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. MMJ GTAs should have experience using fundamental journalism concepts such as news writing and organization, use of AP style, interviewing, and so on. Ideally, they should also be familiar with Adobe Lightroom, Adobe Premiere, DSLR/mirrorless still camera operation, or video camera operation. Questions about this position should be forwarded to: Dr. Ken Ward, kjward@pittstate.edu

Media Production

The Media Production GTA provides support in introductory courses in media production. These courses could include but not be limited to *COMM 274 Intro to Audio/Video Production*, *COMM 474 Corporate/Promotional Video Production*, and *COMM 475 Audio Production*, as well as support for other classes as needed. The 20-hour week includes 6 hours of teaching and assisting with classes, 8 office hours, and 6 hours of flex-time. Teaching times are typically between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Media Production GTAs should have taken *COMM 274* or an equivalent course at another university or have extensive experience working with audio and video production hardware (video cameras, lighting and grip equipment, microphones) and software (Adobe Premiere, Adobe Audition, etc. or equivalents). Experience in actual video and audio productions is preferable. Media Production GTAs also assist with departmental events including the annual Documentary Showcase and other special events as needed. Questions about this position should be forwarded to: Mr. Barth Cox, blcox@pittstate.edu.

Theatre

The Theatre GTA assists with the introduction to theatre course, *COMM 105 Performance Appreciation*, and also works in the scene shop to support the theatre productions. Some previous technical theatre experience is preferred, such as carpentry, lighting, costumes, makeup, etc., but the position is flexible depending on the candidate's background. The 20-hour week includes 16 hours of teaching and working in the scene shop and 4 hours of flex-time. Working times are typically Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. and Tuesday between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Some additional evening and/or weekend hours may be required. Questions about this position should be forwarded to: Mr. Linden Little, lmittle@pittstate.edu

Instructions

- To apply for a Graduate Teaching Assistantship interested students will need to complete the GTA application form available on the Department of Communication website.
- Application deadline for Spring appointments is November 1st and for Fall appointments is April 1st.
- Admission to the Pittsburg State Graduate School is a requirement for appointment to these positions.