

Department of Biochemistry and Microbiology
Criteria for the Appointment and Reappointment of Teaching Assistants

The criteria TA Appointment and Reappointment(s) in the Department of Biochemistry and Microbiology are as follows:

Appointment

- (1) Competence in the field of the course(s) in which assigned (typically biochemistry and/or microbiology)
- (2) Full-time enrollment as a graduate student
- (3) Good academic and research standing in working toward the Ph.D. or M.S. degree
- (4) Demonstrated competence in spoken English
- (5) Prior teaching experience a strong plus

Reappointment

- (1) Competence in the field of the course in which assigned
- (2) Demonstrated competence and development in teaching, including positive Student Instructional Rating Surveys (SIRS) and TA evaluations
- (3) Ability to work with fellow TAs and faculty in a collegial professional fashion as part of the instructional team to create a positive and supportive learning environment
- (4) Demonstrated ability to complete TA duties under guidance from course instructor and independently, as assigned
- (5) Demonstrated competence in spoken English
- (6) Continued good academic and research standing in working toward the Ph.D. or M.S. degree
- (7) Full-time enrollment as a graduate student
- (8) Projected continuation in the graduate program through the reappointment