University of Toronto
Department of Biochemistry
Job Posting – Teaching Assistant Position – BCH370H LAB
Fall Term 2021 (September - December)

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The Biochemistry Program seeks up to 4 Teaching Assistants for the following course:

BCH_370H1F: Lab Course in Biochemical Techniques

Course Description
This course is designed to provide hands-on experience at an introductory level, employing a variety of biochemical techniques commonly used in research and clinical diagnostic laboratories. The course experiments will be run in person; discussion/groupwork sessions may take place online.

Qualifications
Ability, academic qualifications, suitability for the position, and familiarity with course material. Prior laboratory teaching experience an asset.
Up-to-date EHS biosafety and chemical (WHMIS) safety training.

Relevant Criterion
Previous experience is the more relevant criterion than the need to acquire experience in respect of this posted position.

Duties
- Training/meetings with Course Coordinator
- Background reading and prep for lab
- Demonstrate, supervise, and assist students in the laboratory (in person) and during online synchronous sessions
- Consult with students
- Marking of term work (e.g. lab notebooks, lab assessments, presentations, etc.) and final exam; evaluation of student performance.
- One hour of safety training offered by the Division of Teaching Labs before the start of the term (mandatory training valid for 1 year; completed online through Quercus)

Duties of this position shall be performed at the campus on which the position is located. Where the duties are intended to be performed at another location, such other location will be specified in the posting.

Hours of work: approx. 115 hours per TA (average of ~10 hours per week)
Course schedule: Mondays, 9 am to 1 pm - NB: TA’s start at 8:30 am

Estimated Course Enrolment: max 40 students (10 per TA)
Rate of Pay: UG/SGS I/II - $46.70/hour (+ vacation pay)

Start Date of Appointment: September 9, 2021
End Date of Appointment: December 21, 2021

Application Process: A general Application should be submitted online by July 19, 2021 by 5pm. Please consult Departmental Website for application instructions: http://biochemistry.utoronto.ca/about/hiring

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The hiring criteria for Teaching Assistant positions are academic qualifications, the need to acquire experience, previous experience and previous satisfactory employment under the provisions of this Collective Agreement.

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This job is posted in accordance with the CUPE 3902 Unit 1 Collective Agreement.

The position(s) posted above is (are) tentative, pending final course determinations and enrolments.

Positions posted here are open to Graduate Students in the School of Graduate Studies, Postdoctoral Fellows and Undergraduate Students in the University of Toronto.

Preference in hiring shall be given to Graduate Students enrolled in the School of Graduate Studies of the University of Toronto or those who have made application to be enrolled in the School of Graduate Studies of the University of Toronto.