University of Toronto
Department of Biochemistry
Job Posting – Teaching Assistant Position – Wet Lab
Fall Term 2021 (September – December)

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The Department of Biochemistry seeks 1 Teaching Assistant (TA) for the following course:

**BCH377H – Biochemistry Laboratory I**

An introductory laboratory course for students in the specialist programs in Biochemistry and Immunology.

**Qualifications**

A background in enzyme kinetics, protein degradation, western blots and protein purification are asset. Confident wet lab skills in biochemistry are essential. Candidates should be detail oriented, have good time management skills, and able to maintain the academic integrity and confidentiality of student evaluations. First consideration will be given to full-time graduate students at the University of Toronto.

**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 the lab instructor
- Background reading and prep for the lab
- Demonstrate, supervise, and assist students in the laboratory at MSB (Tuesday morning 8:30 – 1pm).
- Marking of student performance, lab assignments and the final exam.
- Answer student questions on Quercus or by email.
- Complete 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 MSB St. George Campus.

**Hours of work:** 110 hours

**Estimated Course Enrolment:** 24 students

**Rate of Pay:** SGS I/II - $46.70/hour (+4% vacation pay)

**Start Date of Appointment:** Sept. 1, 2021

**End Date of Appointment:** Dec. 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](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.