Priority for appointment/reappointment as a Teaching Assistant (TA) is in accordance with Article XIII of the Collective Agreement with the Teaching Support Staff Union (TSSU).

Priority for appointment/reappointment as a Tutor-Marker (TM) is in accordance with Article XV of the Collective Agreement with the Teaching Support Staff Union (TSSU).

In allocating Teaching Assistant/Tutor-Maker positions, the School will also take into account the following criteria:

- Instructor requests.
- Applicant’s preferences.
- Amount of financial support offered on admission to the CMNS graduate program.
- Suitability for particular courses (e.g., discipline of prior degree(s), publications, teaching experience).
- Employment evaluations.

If an assignment within a priority group requires a selection between applicants, the graduate student without financial support from merit-based scholarships or merit-based fellowships, during the semester of appointment, with a value equal to at least 5.17 Base Units (BU’s), will have priority for the assignment.

In addition, in Summer Semesters, CMNS prioritizes hiring visa students, who apply for TA or TM work, and can only work at SFU.

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