Teaching Assistant/Tutor-Marker Appointment Priorities

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

There is substantial pedagogical value of teaching to the TA. Accordingly the department expects that its graduate students, and in particular PhD candidates, will normally TA

In allocating Teaching Assistant/Tutor-Marker positions, the department will also take into account the following:

- Instructor requests;
- Applicant’s preferences;
- Amount of financial support offered on admission to the graduate program as determined by the DGS admission letter;
- Suitability for particular courses (e.g. discipline of prior degree(s), publications, experience);
- Employment evaluations (Student evaluations and Instructor evaluations conducted at the end of every term);
- Number of base units already received to ensure sufficient teaching-related experience in her/his field of study

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 a 5.17 appointment, will have priority for the appointment.