

Fall 2023
CAS Teaching Assistant (TA) Positions

TA must be full-time (registered for 12+ credits) CAS undergraduates with junior/senior-status or full-time graduate students in CAS graduate programs. TA candidates must be in good academic standing; a minimum GPA of 3.0 is required.

1. Biology

- **Teaching Assistant Position:** 10 hours weekly
- **Supervisor:** Professor Peterson; Biology Department
- **Contact:** cnpeterson@suffolk.edu
- **Course:** Genetics – BIO-274-A
- **Course Description:** An examination of the basic principles of genetics in eukaryotes and prokaryotes at the level of molecules, cells, and multicellular organisms, including humans. Topics include Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance, structure and function of chromosomes and genomes, biological variation resulting from recombination, mutation, and selection, and population genetics.

2. Communication, Journalism & Media

- **Teaching Assistant Position:** 10 hours weekly
- **Supervisor:** Professor Irizarry; Communication, Journalism & Media Department
- **Contact:** cirizarry@suffolk.edu
- **Course:** Introduction to Communication – CJN-101-A
- **Course Description:** As an introduction to the communication discipline, this course examines the significance of communication to the symbolic construction of meaning. Students receive an overview of multiple forms of communication, including face-to-face, verbal/non-verbal, small group, intercultural, organizational, and mediated communication. The class devotes attention to the influence of culture on communication and to ethical complexities relating to communication.

3. Economics

- **Teaching Assistant Position:** 10 hours weekly
- **Supervisor:** Professor Haughton; Economics Department
- **Contact:** jhaughton@suffolk.edu
- **Course:** Global Macroeconomics – EC-102-D
- **Course Description:** This course examines the workings of the national and the global economy. It measures, and describes the determination of, Gross Domestic Product, unemployment, inflation, and economic growth. It analyzes the determination of the country's exchange rate, balance of payments, and international borrowing and lending. A particular focus is on understanding economic fluctuations (booms, busts, and recessions) in the domestic economy and their effects on other economies. It examines the role of the government and the effects of government spending and taxation on the economy. Furthermore, it describes and analyzes the determination of the quantity of money and interest rates in the economy and the role of the country's central bank. It examines the basis and pattern of international trade and the effects of a country's trade policy on the economy.

4. Political Science & Legal Studies

- **Teaching Assistant Position:** 10 hours weekly
- **Supervisor:** Professor Cosgrove; Political Science & Legal Studies Department
- **Contact:** kcosgrove@suffolk.edu
- **Course:** Introduction to American Politics – POLS-110-D
- **Course Description:** An introduction to the American political system and constitutional framework. Focus will be on the interplay of various institutions (the Presidency, Congress and the Judiciary) in creating public policies. Contemporary public issues will be discussed, as will the role of political theory in shaping American democracy. Attention will be given to the role of the news media, public opinion, political ideology, political parties and interest groups in the American system.

5. Psychology

- **Teaching Assistant Position:** 10 hours weekly
- **Supervisor:** Professor Swenson; Psychology Department
- **Contact:** lswenson@suffolk.edu
- **Course:** Behavioral Statistics – PSYCH-215-A
- **Course Description:** Introduces the use of statistics as tools for description and decision-making, including hypothesis testing. Prepares students for the analysis, interpretation, and evaluation of psychological research. Offered every semester. Weekly laboratory sessions are required.