

University College – Cognitive Science Program
University of Toronto
Job Posting: Teaching Assistant (CUPE3902 Unit 1)

COG260H1F – Data, Computation, and the Mind

How does the human mind work? We explore this question by analyzing a range of data concerning such topics as human rationality and irrationality, human memory, how objects are represented in the mind, and the relation of language and cognition. This class provides critical thinking and practical computational skills that will allow students to work with data in cognitive science and related disciplines.

Position(s):	1
Estimated Course Enrolment:	36
Size of Appointment (hours):	40 hours
Class Schedule:	Tuesdays from 10am–1pm
Dates of Appointment:	1 September 2023 to 31 December 2023 (Fall semester)
Salary:	\$47.64/hour plus 4% vacation pay (UC, SGSI, SGSII, PDF)

Please note that should rates stipulated in the collective agreement vary from rates stated in this posting, the rates stated in the collective agreement shall prevail.

Minimum Qualifications: Final-year or senior undergraduate students with official records of completion of no less than two Computer Science programming courses in Python (e.g., CSC108H1, CSC148H1) and two courses in Cognitive Science – one of these courses needs to be COG260H1. Demonstrated superior teaching expertise in undergraduate teaching is preferred. Knowledge of probability and statistics is highly desirable.

Preferred Qualifications: Graduate students (Masters or Ph.D.) with official records of completion of no less than two Computer Science programming courses in Python (e.g., CSC108H1, CSC148H1) and two courses in Cognitive Science – one of these courses needs to be COG260H1. Demonstrated teaching expertise and superior undergraduate teaching is preferred. Knowledge of probability and statistics is highly desirable.

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

Description of Duties: Work with course instructor to prepare course materials and hold lab tutorials. Possible activities include: attending the lectures and lab sessions online; helping to create and updating in-class activities and exercises; performing demonstrations for the labs; developing computational infrastructure for student projects; helping with basic course materials. The delivery method for this course is currently in-person. Please note that, in keeping with public health advisories, the course delivery method may change as determined by the Faculty or the College. Duties of this position shall be performed at the campus on which the position is located.

Final availability of the position(s) is contingent upon enrolment, budgetary considerations and the determination of appointments as governed by the collective agreement.

Application Process: Applicants should submit a cover letter including the names of two references (preferably academic), an academic writing sample (essay, paper, or report), examples of teaching evaluations (if available), and CV to the UC TA Online application site at: <https://taships.iit.artsci.utoronto.ca/uc/login> by **Tuesday 18 July 2023**.

If during the application and/or selection process you require accommodation due to a disability, please contact Khamla Sengthavy at Khamla.sengthavy@utoronto.ca or 416-978-8083.

A valid email address is required.

Posting Date: Monday 26 June 2023

Closing Date: Tuesday 18 July 2023

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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.

Candidates who are members of Indigenous, Black, racialized and LGBTQ2S+ communities, persons with disabilities, and other equity seeking groups are encouraged to apply, and their lived experience shall be taken into consideration as applicable to the position.

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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.