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

COG250Y1Y – Introduction to Cognitive Science

An introduction to the problems, theories and research strategies central to the interdisciplinary field of cognitive science focusing on the nature and organization of the human mind and other cognitive systems. Interrelations among the philosophical, psychological, linguistic and computer science aspects of the field are emphasized.

Position(s):	5
Estimated Course Enrolment:	250
Size of Appointment (hours):	163 hours for 3 positions; 120 hours for 2 positions
Class Schedule:	Wednesdays from 9am – 12pm**

**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.

Dates of Appointment:	1 September 2025 to 30 April 2026 (Fall/Winter terms)
Salary:	\$52.97/hour (Fall 2025) and \$53.92/hour (Winter 2026)
	plus 4% vacation pay (UG, 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: At a minimum, a bachelor's degree in Cognitive Science or cognate field (e.g. Computer Science, Linguistics, Philosophy, or Psychology).

Preferred Qualifications: MA or Ph.D. student in Cognitive Science or cognate field (e.g. Computer Science, Linguistics, Philosophy, or Psychology) is preferred. Experience with theoretical argumentation and the use of empirical evidence in cognitive science is an asset. Demonstrated superior teaching expertise in undergraduate teaching is preferred.

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

Description of Duties: Conducting tutorials (5 in fall term and 5 in winter term). Meeting with instructor; responding to student inquiries (over email and virtual meetings); holding office hours; and marking papers, tests, exams and/or other assignments. Some attendance at lectures or other plenaries may be required.

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), examples of teaching evaluations (if available), and CV to the UC TA Online application site at: <u>https://taships.iit.artsci.utoronto.ca/uc/login</u> by **Friday 18 July 2025**.

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: Thursday 26 June 2025 Closing Date: Friday 18 July 2025

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission. The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as

required for applicants with disabilities. If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact <u>uoft.careers@utoronto.ca</u>. During employment, to request accommodation from the University, contact the supervisor or department chair and/or Health & Wellbeing Programs & Services at <u>hwb@utoronto.ca</u>. For more information about accommodations at U of T, please visit our <u>Accommodation webpage</u>.

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.

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

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.