



MEMO

DATE: February 27, 2024
TO: Deans, Department Heads, Program Directors and Graduate Coordinators
FROM: Jim Ahern, VP and Dean
RE: Request for proposals for the LIFE Graduate Teaching Assistantships

This RFP announces the availability of graduate assistantships for AY 2024-25 and AY 2025-26 (**two academic years**) for teaching in the LIFE program. If you have questions concerning particular courses, please contact Jonathan Prather at Jonathan.Prather@uwyo.edu.

GTA positions will be awarded to departments who are willing to commit either their current student(s) or new incoming students to teach in LIFE.

- Students who already provide teaching support in the LIFE program can be considered for continuation
- and/or additional GTA positions for new students admitted to UW in the Fall 2024 semester who are qualified to teach in LIFE courses.
- **Preference will be given to programs that can commit the same outstanding individual for at least two semesters and, ideally, for the entire two-year opportunity.**

LIFE courses and anticipated GTA duties for each student involved in that course are:

Fall –24 GAs

LIFE 1002: Discovering Science assistant instructor
LIFE 1010: General Biology - 2 labs
LIFE 1020: Life Sciences assistant instructor
LIFE 1101: Ecological Research assistant instructor
LIFE 2022: Animal Biology - 2 labs
LIFE 2023: Plant & Fungal Biology - 2 labs
LIFE 3050: Genetics - 3 discussion sections
LIFE 3400: Ecology - expanded GA from PIE Program
(this person contributes to instruction)
LIFE 3410: Field Ecology - 2 labs
LIFE 3500: Evolutionary Biology assistant instructor

Spring –24 GAs

LIFE 1003: Current Issues in Biology - 2 labs
LIFE 1010: General Biology - 2 labs

LIFE 2022: Animal Biology - 2 labs
LIFE 2023: Plant & Fungal Biology - 2 labs
LIFE 3050: Genetics - 3 discussion sections
LIFE 3400: Ecology - expanded GA from PIE Program
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LIFE 3600: Cell Biology - 2 discussions

Department Heads must submit the following to be considered:

- Names of all current LIFE GAs whom you request to be continued
- Number of new GA positions requested
- Indicate MS level vs. PhD level for each student. *This is essential for budget planning – any lines that are not filled during the fall semester will be reassigned for the academic year, and PhD lines filled with an MS student will be converted to this level for the academic year.*
- Duration over which you are committing each individual (one semester, one year, two years)
- LIFE courses your students are qualified to teach

Proposals are due in the Office of Graduate Education by **5:00 p.m., Monday 18 March 2024**. Please submit your proposal as an electronic pdf via email to the School of Graduate Education (GradEd@uwyo.edu). **New GTAs to begin in August 2024 should be identified by Friday 31 May 2024.**