

Department of Computer Science, downtown campus Job Posting - Teaching Assistant Position - CUPE 3902, Unit 1 Fall 2025 term (September 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025 or up to January 9, 2026)

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The Department of Computer Science seeks ~24 TAs for the following course:

CSC236H1F – Introduction to the Theory of Computation

Visit link for course description: https://artsci.calendar.utoronto.ca/course/csc236h1

CSC236H1F: Regular TAs

Qualifications

Must be enrolled in, or have completed, an undergraduate program in Computer Science (or a related field). Taken CSC236 or equivalent. Thorough familiarity with mathematical induction and some of its applications to computer science (particularly for correctness proofs of iterative and recursive algorithms). Thorough knowledge of automata theory, and the theory of regular and context-free languages. Must be available to run at least one weekly slot of tutorials on Wednesdays; Desirable: Experience grading proofs.

Relevant Criterion

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

Duties

Duties are in person unless otherwise indicated. TA duties will include marking, leading skills development tutorials, and may include Q&A/Exam/Assignment/Test Review sessions (at times to be determined). Available to lead at least one tutorial section every Wednesday. (tutorial time slots on Wednesdays are 11-12, 12-13, 13-14, 13-14, 14-15, and 18-19).

This course also requires all TAs to be available to mark the final exam in-person during regular business hours. The final exam date is determined by the Faculty of Arts & Science and may be scheduled between Dec. 5-23. The exam schedule is released in November 2025. Every effort will be made to schedule and complete the exam marking within 5 business days after the final exam date. TAs may be required to complete grading January 5-9, 2026 if the exam is scheduled during the last few days of the exam period. The University is closed for the holiday break between December 24, 2025-January 4, 2026.

Positions Available: 23

Hours of work: 60 hours

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CSC236H1F-Lead: Lead TA

Qualifications

All requirements for regular CSC236H1F TA positions. Excellent organizational skills. Demonstrated ability to lead small teams. Previous TA experience for CSC236H1. Experience grading proofs. Must be available during regular business hours and occasionally during evenings and/or weekends to fulfill duties. Applicants must include a CV and a statement of interest.

Relevant Criterion

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Duties

Coordinate and supervise marking by other TAs. Handle all remarking requests. Monitor course discussion board. Other duties as determined in consultation with instructors, such as: assist in the development of questions, solutions, and grading schemes for course assessments; proofread and review term tests and assignments; grade questions on tests; hold office hours; manage quiz grades on Quercus; hold review sessions; etc.

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Positions Available: 1

Hours of work: 120 hours

Estimated Course Enrolment: 750

Rate of Pay: \$52.97/hour (+ vacation pay)

Application Process

Apply online at: https://tapp.cs.toronto.edu/hash/external/postings/G7AMXcXfoALSZ575eDHxrdLx

In your application you will be asked to provide a brief response to the following question(s) for CSC236H1F

- Briefly describe one concrete approach you have used in the past to help students understand Strong (aka Complete) Induction. What was the main obstacle to understanding, and how did your approach help the students overcome this obstacle?
- Are you available to run at least one tutorial session on Wednesdays for the full semester (at least 10 of the 12 weekly sessions) – please review the posting for slots schedule? If not, please specify why.

In your application you will be asked to provide a brief response to the following question(s) if you are applying for the CSC236H1F-Lead position:

• Do you have previous experience as a TA for this course, or other 1st year courses specifically at the Department of Computer Science, St. George campus?

 Briefly describe one concrete approach you might use to help ensure consistent grading among a group of TAs. What is the main obstacle to consistency, and how does your approach help the TAs overcome this obstacle?

The deadline to submit your application is **Wednesday July 16**, **2025 at 11:59pm EST.** For more information, you may contact:

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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.

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.