

Graduate Assistant/Tutor: The Haslam Scholars Program

The Haslam Scholars Program seeks to hire a one-half time (20 hours/week) Teaching Assistant/Tutor for the remaining weeks in the fall 2017 semester for a 200-level course required for all 1st year Haslam Scholars.

Given the urgent need for the position, the position would start immediately and preference will be given to candidates who apply as soon as possible.

Maximum number of students: 15

Course Description:

HSP 257: Power

The goal of the course is to introduce students to contemporary issues surrounding power and privilege and the cultural, political, and economic contexts in which these issues evolved. Providing an historical context allows us to investigate these issues from the ground up through texts written by scholars and public intellectuals. The course will also examine the resistance to power abuses. We will examine texts from multiple points of view. The issues covered are sometimes controversial and opinions on the actions we should take vary. The course will emphasize that sound data is more important than dominant opinions in understanding the roots of injustice and the efforts to seek empowerment. Accordingly, we will place a strong emphasis on understanding the methodology used to problematize the issues we cover in this course.

HSP 257 is a three-hour course, which meets university general education requirements for Social Science (SS). This course is required of and limited to students in the Haslam Scholars Program.

The successful candidate must:

- Be a student enrolled in a graduate program at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Make reasonable progress towards their graduate degree program requirements
- Demonstrate time management skills to work on several projects simultaneously
- Have strong oral and written communication skills

Compensation:

- \$22.50/hour payable in equal bi-monthly installments
- No additional benefits accrue with this position

Duties and Responsibilities:

The successful candidate will:

- Provide assistance to course faculty
- Attend all class meetings and complete all readings carefully prior to the class meeting in which

- they are assigned
- Facilitate small group tutorials in which students are expected to discuss course readings and complete 2-3 1500-2000 word essays over the course of the semester. The essays should undergo at least two revisions, which will be based on the feedback they receive from the tutor and their own engagement with the reading.
 - Facilitate Service Dialogues and review service reflection journals.
 - Meet with students individually as needed.

The mission of The Haslam Scholars Program is to foster intellectual curiosity and engage the moral sensibilities of scholars through curricular and co-curricular experiences. The Program offers an exclusive curriculum, a shared study-abroad experience, independent research support and one-on-one access to leading faculty members, which cultivate outstanding scholars and instills in them a desire for life-long learning and inquiry. Haslam Scholars will demonstrate a strong commitment to scholarly pursuits and use their abilities to influence public discourse on questions that shape society.

The graduate student worker may not hold a graduate assistantship or any other university position concurrent with this position.

To apply, please submit a cover letter and CV to sturne31@utk.edu. Preference will be given to candidates who apply early and the review of applications will start immediately.