Teaching Fellow Call

HUB SJ 101, Social & Racial Justice 1: Systems and Structures, is taking applications for Teaching Fellows for Fall 2023 and Spring 2024.

HUB SJ 101 is a 4-credit elective Hub course for first-year and sophomore undergraduates. The course provides students with foundational knowledge concerning the historical and systemic bases of social and racial inequities in a US context as well as resistance movements that have sought to create a more just world. The framework of the course recognizes that social and racial inequities are more than the result of individual bias and prejudice. They are also structural, having been codified in laws, policies, customs, and institutions that uphold and reproduce inequalities and access to power. Students will engage their historical understanding and intercultural awareness with the goal of actively cultivating a campus climate of respect for differences in race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religious belief, and other facets of individual and group identities. Using a module-based approach, consisting of four or five multiweek units (featuring guest lectures by BU faculty experts), this course will support students in critically assessing the impacts of consistently disparate life outcomes in social systems such as education, environment/sustainability, health, housing, and entertainment. The course also fulfills Hub units in Historical Consciousness, Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy, and Critical Thinking. The teaching team for the course will typically consist of two BU faculty members and three Teaching Fellows (TFs) per semester. The course will be taught in both Fall 2023 and Spring 2024.

HUB SJ 101 includes two lectures and one discussion each week (the timing of fall 2023 and spring 2024 offerings is to be determined). TFs for HUB SJ 101 are expected to attend the two weekly lectures, prepare for and facilitate 1-2 discussion sections each week, hold weekly office hours, grade student assignments, and attend teaching-team meetings (times to be determined by the teaching team).

Eligibility: all BU graduate students in good academic standing are welcome to apply (preference for students of advanced standing).

HUB SJ 101 Teaching Fellows responsibilities and anticipated time requirements each week are as follows:

Time Commitment Per Week
3 hours
2 hours
2 hours
≤ 9 hours
1 hour

Once selected, new TFs will be required to attend a training (or trainings) prior to the start of each semester that focuses on <u>identity</u>, <u>positionality</u>, <u>intersectionality</u>, and cultural humility, as

well as managing complex and difficult conversations and facilitating teamwork and collaboration.

To apply, please submit the following:

- A response to the questions below in either email or Word document:
 - 1) Name and Preferred Pronouns
 - 2) What is your doctoral program/college?
 - 3) What year are you in your doctoral program?
 - 4) Will you be receiving a doctoral stipend in Academic Year 2023-2024?
 - a. If yes, please indicate the funding for your stipend (teaching, research, non-service and number of hours funded)
 - b. Note: if you are currently assigned a teaching position, the support of your program/department for altering your assignment will be required. If you are currently assigned to a research fellowship, you will need to have advisor/PI support to teach.
 - 5) Would you like to be considered for Fall 2023 only, for Fall 2023 and Spring 2024, or for Spring 2024 only?
- A letter of interest that addresses:
 - why you are interested in this opportunity
 - previous TF or teaching experience
 - how you think about diversity, equity, and inclusion in your teaching, including the facilitation and management of difficult conversations around social and racial inequity
 - any relevant academic background or training

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning January 4, 2023 until the TF positions have been filled. A sample course syllabus is available upon request. Please email your applications or any questions about the position to Eric Jarvis, Associate Director, BU Hub at ejarvis@bu.edu.