

## Teaching Fellow Call

### **HUB SJ 101: Social & Racial Justice: Systems and Structures, is taking applications for Teaching Fellows for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026.**

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 five multi-week 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 requirements in Historical Consciousness, Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy, and Critical Thinking. The teaching team for the course will typically consist of one BU faculty member and one or two Teaching Fellows (TFs) per semester. The course will be taught in both Fall 2025 and Spring 2026.

HUB SJ 101 includes two lectures and one discussion each week (the schedule for fall 2025 and spring 2026 offerings is to be determined). TFs for HUB SJ 101 are expected to attend the two weekly lectures, prepare for and facilitate 2 discussion sections each week, hold weekly office hours, grade student assignments, and attend teaching-team meetings (times to be determined).

**Eligibility:** All BU graduate students in good academic standing are welcome to apply (preference for students of advanced standing). Please note: Ph.D. students are eligible regardless of whether they are inside or outside of the 5-year funding window.

**Time Commitment:** This is a BUGWU Graduate Teaching Fellow position that requires a time commitment of 20 hours per week. As described above, HUB SJ 101 Teaching Fellow responsibilities include attending lectures, running discussion sections, holding office hours, grading, and weekly team meetings.

Once selected, new TFs will be required to attend training prior to teaching HUB SJ 101 that focuses on 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 graduate/doctoral program/college?

- 3) What year are you in your graduate/doctoral program?
  - 4) Will you be receiving a graduate or doctoral stipend in Academic Year 2025-2026?
    - 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 2025 only, for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026, or for Spring 2026 only?
- A letter of interest that addresses:
    - why you are interested in this opportunity
    - previous TF or teaching experience
    - how you would facilitate and manage difficult conversations around social and racial inequities
    - any relevant academic background or training
  - A current CV or resume (optional)

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the TF positions have been filled, with an initial application deadline of Friday, March 21, 2025. A sample course syllabus is available upon request. Please email your application or any questions about the position to Eric Jarvis, Director of BU Hub Curricular & Cocurricular Initiatives, at [ejarvis@bu.edu](mailto:ejarvis@bu.edu).

*The work pursuant to this position is covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiated between Boston University and the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Local 509. This contract sets forth some of your rights and responsibilities as a member of this bargaining unit. For more information about your union, visit [www.seiu509.org](http://www.seiu509.org) or email [highered@seiu509.org](mailto:highered@seiu509.org). You may access the Collective Bargaining Agreement at <http://www.seiu509.org/members/higher-education/>.*