

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
GRA/TA Application

**Portland State University**  
**Department of Applied Linguistics**  
**Application for Graduate Assistantship**

This application should be returned to the Department of Applied Linguistics, P.O. Box 751, Portland, OR 97207-0751 by February 1. To qualify for an appointment as a graduate assistant, the applicant must be admitted as a regular degree graduate student by the start of Fall Quarter.

1. Contact information and admission status

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Admitted to a graduate program at PSU on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, or  
Application for graduate admission on file as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.  
Degree Sought: \_\_\_\_\_/ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Positions (all start Fall Quarter)

**Please mark all to which you wish to apply:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Teaching English as a Second Language Teaching Assistant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Assisting Linguistics faculty in teaching:
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ling 390: Introduction to Linguistics Teaching Assistant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ling 4/77, 4/578: TESOL Methods Teaching Assistant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult ESL Lab School Graduate Research Assistant

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3. Elements required with the application for Graduate Assistantship:

- \_\_\_ Application (this form)
- \_\_\_ Cover Sheet (one for each position to which you apply) that states all relevant coursework & grades at PSU and/or elsewhere as well as languages spoken and studied
- \_\_\_ Resume
- \_\_\_ Two letters of recommendation (evaluation forms), to be sent by the evaluator directly to: the Department of Applied Linguistics, Portland State University, P.O. Box 751, Portland, OR 97207-0751.
- \_\_\_ Essay (one for each position), information provided below

Essay: Applicants should submit an essay for each position of interest. Each essay should address the skills sought in that position in 1-2 pages.

Teaching English as a Second Language

- Teaching experience
- Experience working with students similar those in the PSU Intensive English Program
- Experience working in university settings
- Good interpersonal skills/ability to work well with a team

Assisting Linguistics faculty in teaching:

Ling 390: Introduction to Linguistics

- Substantive coursework in theoretical and/or applied Linguistics
- High grades
- Ability to work well with students

Ling 4/77, 4/578: TESOL Methods

- Completion of TESOL Methods I & II (Ling 577 & 578)
- Works well with students, teachers and staff
- Good organizational skills
- WebCT experience

Adult ESL Lab School Graduate Research Assistant

- Experience with beginning Adult ESL students who are not university students
- Ability to work well in changing environments
- Experience in research and/or analysis
- Strong computer skills
- Academic writing experience

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- Coursework in phonology, phonetics, second language acquisition TESOL Methods, Discourse Analysis and/or first language acquisition
- Experience with transcription, classroom observation and/or filming (desirable but not required)
- Skill in Spanish, Chinese or Vietnamese (desirable but not required)
- Plans to stay at PSU for two years or longer

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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