

What do you do in a graduate-level teaching internship?

Most effective graduate-level teaching internships will include a combination of the following teaching-related experiences. Each teaching intern should consider these possibilities in planning his or her internship.

Observe Reflectively

- Attend class
- Maintain a journal documenting and commenting on this experience
- Research current issues in teaching and learning
- Research and consider various approaches to teaching a given concept or literary text
- Design and implement a teaching-related project or portfolio
- Analyze student writing
- Discuss and practice methods of evaluating student writing
- Construct a Reflective Teaching Statement, syllabi, assignments, and/or handouts based on your observations

Assist in Teaching Undergraduates

- Work with students one-on-one or in small group conferences
- Lead exam review sessions
- Design handouts to help students with their readings and assignments
- Work with internship director in planning syllabus and assignments
- Organize and/or attend performances, lectures, film screenings, or readings with students
- Participate in class and small group discussions of literary texts
- Lead small groups of students through the steps of library research
- Work on technology-based innovations to improve student learning
- Work with internship director to evaluate/grade student work

Teach Undergraduates

- Lead class discussion
- Plan and facilitate small group activities
- Design and administer quizzes, assignments, and homework
- Present a brief lecture
- Propose changes to and revisions of syllabus and assignments