# Master of Arts in Professional Writing Graduate Teaching Assistantship Application

To be considered for a teaching assistantship, you must have a 3.0 GPA in your bachelor's degree and/or in any previous MA, MFA, and PhD degree. Please complete the form below and email it to Terri Dudenhoeffer, Program Coordinator for the MAPW, along with your statement of purpose, an academic writing sample, a letter of recommendation, and your transcripts. Additionally, the selection committee will contact you for a brief MS Teams interview before final selections are made, so please check your email for details.

### Full name:

### Area of concentration:

# **Support area(s):**

\*For TAs, Composition and Rhetoric must be your support area if it is not your area of concentration.

## **Statement of Purpose**

Include a 500 to 700-word statement in which you discuss the following:

- your interest in becoming a teaching assistant at KSU (Kennesaw State University)
- your interest in teaching in the First-Year Composition Program.
- the qualities that would make you an effective composition instructor.
- specific ways instructors can support student success.
- your relevant experience, especially tutoring, teaching, etc.
- your career aspirations after graduation.

If there are any substantial gaps in your résumé, low course grades on your transcripts, or any other similar situations, please include a brief discussion within the context of your statement.

### Writing Sample

Include an academic writing sample, not a sample of creative writing, of at least 10 to 20 double-spaced pages. This should be a single sample that includes citations of academic sources, as well as a bibliography. The sample should be in MLA, APA (American Psychological Association), or Chicago style.

### **Letter of Reference**

Include a letter of reference from a current or former professor about your ability to think critically and work well with others, as well as your overall performance in a writing-intensive class.

To be considered for the GTA position, please return the following documents to Terri Dudenhoeffer at tdudenho@kennesaw.edu by the deadline specified on the Teaching Assistantship website:

- This form
- Resume/CV
- Statement of Purpose
- Writing Sample
- Letter of Reference

Admission decisions will be made by the faculty selection committee, and applicants will receive notice of the decision within the coming weeks. If you have any questions, please contact Terri Dudenhoeffer at tdudenho@kennesaw.edu or 470-578-3335.