



2011 Kaneb TA Orientation

Preparing to TA in the Notre Dame Classroom

Thursday, August 18th, 2011—Room 138 DeBartolo Hall

1:00-2:15pm (Recommended for all TAs)

How to Approach the First Day of Class and Set the Tone for the Semester presented by Richard Pierce. Professor Pierce, John Cardinal O'Hara Associate Professor of History and Chair of Africana Studies, was awarded the 2009 Sheedy Excellence in Teaching Award, presented annually to an outstanding teacher in the College of Arts and Letters. A current Kaneb Faculty Fellow, Professor Pierce teaches courses in urban and African American history. His research investigates the corporal punishment practices of American families.

2:15-2:40pm—Refreshments

2:45-4:15pm (Recommended for all TAs)

Understanding the Notre Dame Undergraduate in the Context of the Classroom at Notre Dame presented by Ann Firth, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs. Ann is responsible for overseeing Campus Ministry and the Career Center, leading strategic planning and assessment for the division of Student Affairs, integrating academic and student life, facilitating students' moral and ethical development, orienting new students, creating linkages between campus life and international study programs, addressing graduate student needs, and communicating with parents. Ann's presentation will be followed by an experienced TA and undergraduate student panel discussion.

Friday, August 19th, 2011 (8:30-9:00am continental breakfast in the DeBartolo Hall Atrium/Stairwell)

9:00-10:15am (Recommended for Arts and Letters TAs Only) - Room 205 DeBartolo Hall

How to Lead Effective Discussions presented by Jo Ann DellaNeva, Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures and Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies. Professor DellaNeva has been on the Notre Dame faculty since 1982. A Kaneb Award winner as well as a Kaneb Faculty Fellow, she has taught classes in French, Italian, and Comparative Literatures, including the University Seminar and the Honors Humanities Seminar.

9:00-10:30am (Recommended for Science, Math, & Eng. TAs Only) - Room 204 DeBartolo Hall

Succeeding as a TA in Lab and Tutorial Settings presented by David Veselik, Assistant Professional Specialist in Biological Sciences. Professor Veselik instructs multiple Cell Biology Labs as well as Undergraduate Research Labs. He also leads the Research Experience for Teachers at Notre Dame (RET@ND) Molecular Biology summer program.

10:15-10:40am—Refreshments

10:45am-12:00pm (Recommended for Arts and Letters TAs Only) - Room 205 DeBartolo Hall

Grading Student Work presented by John Griffin, Associate Professor of Political Science. Professor Griffin specializes in the study of political equality within American political institutions, especially the U.S. Congress. His work has appeared in the *American Journal of Political Science*, the *Journal of Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, and several edited volumes. His teaching includes Introduction to Positive Political Theory: A Social Science University Seminar and Legislative Studies.

*All participants must register online at
<http://kaneb.nd.edu/events/registerTA2011.html>

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