

Department of English
The University of New Mexico
Application for Arts & Sciences Teaching Assistantship

New Teaching Assistants in the Department of English are appointed only in Fall semester of each year. All applications must include at least one and preferably two letters of recommendation that address the applicant's potential for teaching. Applicants must also include a ten- to fifteen-page sample of their expository or critical writing.

Complete application packets, including statement of purpose, writing sample, and letter(s) of recommendation should be submitted to the Graduate Advisor in the applicant's home department. For best consideration, the home department should forward completed applications to the Director of Core Writing by March 20.

Date of Application _____ **for semester beginning:** _____

Name _____ **SSN:** _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ e-mail: _____

Department: _____ Program: ___(MA) ___ (PhD.) ___other

2. Attach a current *curriculum vitae*

3. Attach a one to two page statement of purpose that addresses at least three of the following questions.

- Why do you want to teach college-level writing courses at UNM?
- How does your previous educational experience equip you to be an effective teacher?
- How does teaching fit into your long-range career goals?
- What qualities do you think characterize an effective college-level teacher? (Give examples to illustrate.)
- Why do you think you will be an effective college-level teacher?

4. Writing Sample(s): Append a sample writing sample of about ten to fifteen pages of your expository, analytical, and/or critical writing.

(Title of writing sample)

5. Letter(s) of Recommendation: Include at least one, no more than two, letters of recommendation.

1. _____
(Name and title of recommender; if not at UNM, give institutional affiliation.)

2. _____
(Name and title of recommender; if not at UNM, give institutional affiliation.)