

From GSI to Professor: Steps You Can Take as a Graduate Student

For Beginning GSIs

- Participate in the Teaching Conference for GSIs sponsored by GSI TRC
- Take departmental pedagogy seminar
- Complete GSI Online Course on Professional Standards and Ethics in Teaching
- Have faculty member observe your teaching and give feedback
- Observe a peer teaching
- Keep a teaching log
- Read the Teaching Guide for GSIs
- Read Teaching Effectiveness Award essays from GSIs in your discipline
- Conduct a mid-semester evaluation of your teaching
- Experiment with Classroom Assessment Techniques, e.g., the Minute Paper
- Analyze your end-of-semester evaluations and set goals for improvement

For Intermediate GSIs

- Diversify your teaching methods
- Have your teaching videotaped and get feedback from a trained consultant (a free GSI Center service)
- Develop a statement of teaching philosophy
- Attend Workshops on Teaching (provided by the GSI Center) in areas you would like to improve
- Join the Tomorrow's Professor listserv
- Read up in the literature on teaching and learning that interests you
- Prepare and give a lecture; consider having it videotaped
- Learn how to design and use a grading rubric
- Learn how to use a learning management system (e.g., bCourses) to enhance student participation

For Advanced GSIs

- Diversify your teaching experience
- Take the GSI Center's workshop series on syllabus and course design
- Design a course you would like to teach
- If the opportunity exists, teach a course you have created
- Take workshop on developing a teaching portfolio
- Create a teaching portfolio
- Look at job announcements in your field to determine teaching materials requested
- Attend Career Center workshops on applying for academic jobs
- Participate in the Graduate Division's Summer Institute for Preparing Future Faculty
- Other steps you can take?