

UW-Milwaukee Department of Foreign Languages and Linguistics

Application Form for Teaching Assistantship in German

Academic Year 2009-2010

Deadline for Fall 2009 TA position: **MARCH 1, 2009**

Email this application form along with your CV to Professor Jeanne Schueller (jeannems@uwm.edu)

or send by mail to: UW-Milwaukee
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Please note that your application for a Teaching Assistantship will not be considered until you are accepted into the UWM Graduate School and the MAFLI program.

I. Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ (where you can be reached during any winter/summer break)

Email: _____

II. Education

A) Please describe your undergraduate and graduate education, including institution, degrees completed or in progress and the year, and major/minor.

Undergraduate

Graduate

B) If you are in MAFLI, what is your area of concentration (or expected area)? (i.e., German, Translation, Linguistics, etc.) _____

If you are not in MAFLI, what graduate program are you in or applying for? _____

III. Language Experience

Please describe your experiences with German.

1. Are you a native speaker? If yes, skip to Section V.

2. When did you first begin learning German?

3. Please describe any study abroad or time spent abroad, including work experience.

IV. Language Proficiency (for non-native speakers)

1. Of these four skills, which do you feel is your strongest? Your weakest?
speaking listening reading writing

2. Have you had an official OPI? If yes, at what level on the ACTFL Proficiency scale were you rated? _____

3. How would you self-evaluate your abilities in each of these skills?

Speaking: _____

Listening: _____

Reading: _____

Writing: _____

3. Writing Proficiency—please submit a minimum two-page writing sample (topic open) that you have written recently—or purposely for this application—that has **not** been reviewed or edited by another person (please type!) and that demonstrates your writing skills.

4. In order to determine your speaking proficiency, we may call you for a phone interview. Are you generally available at the number you listed above? _____

V. Teaching Experience

1. List the courses you have taught or are teaching.

2. Describe your favorite language teacher (as a student). What kind of a teacher was he/she? What aspects of his/her teaching would you try to incorporate into your own teaching?

3. Describe teacher qualities that you do not find appealing (as a student or a teacher) and explain why not.

4. Have you taken a foreign language pedagogy or methods class? If yes, please describe briefly.

5. Please describe your teaching philosophy (or how you might envision it, if you have not taught before).
