

Teaching Assistant Scheme

Teaching Assistant (TA) scheme is proposed at APSIT from the current academic year. Following shall be the norms and features of the scheme :

1. Any student who has passed the University examination of the previous year can become Teaching Assistant (TA) e.g. A student of 2nd year who has passed first year examination in the subject of Engineering Mechanics can become TA for Engineering Mechanics subject. On the similar lines, various subjects like Physics, Chemistry, BEE will have different TAs. Student of final year can become TA for any subject of FE,SE or TE.
2. The name of the TA will be included as a Teacher in the moodle of the concerned subject. The TA will be honoured with a certificate of appreciation. However, no scholarship will be offered to TA.
3. The TA should have interest in the subject and should be willing to solve complex problems related to the subject. As far as possible TA should not have any backlog of any subject and shall be confident of clearing all the subjects that he/she is currently studying.
4. TA will have an opportunity to work closely with the teacher and develop course material, lab exercises, multiple choice questions and thus will prepare himself for GATE examination and also choose the project in the domain of interest in the final year. Thus it is essential to have domain interest for the student to make it fruitful.
5. Faculty will have a correct feedback of the educational material used by them from TA as they will be closer to students.
6. TA shall not assess the term test papers / journals etc. TA shall not conduct regular practical session. Services of TA during the college hours (9AM To 5 PM) will not be used . TA shall not be involved in any teaching related activity that is normally assigned to a faculty.
7. TA can solve difficulties of the students and even answer queries through moodle or through separate session under the supervision of the Teacher in preparation leave / vacation / weekends or outside college hours. Burden of teacher to address special requirements is substantially reduced and students can get the coaching even for **backlog** subjects in addition to **regular** subjects.
8. Selection of TA is sole responsibility of the concerned faculty who is offering the course. No higher authority will be involved in selection of TA. Our institute expects this activity to grow gradually. Therefore faculties are requested to carefully choose the TA who you think would add the value to the subject and in turn to the academic standard of the college. Even if no student is willing to work as TA, or no student is fit to the job, it is also fine, but in any case no student shall be appointed for sake of name and receiving the certificate.

Underlying principle of the scheme :

A word of appreciation from teacher makes a immense positive impact on the career of student. By appointment of TA, the technically sound student is recognized by the institute that improves learning environment leading towards academic excellence. This scheme gets rid of the common problem of all institutions of only recognizing

the students who perform on the stage during cultural events. A bond of TA with teacher is life long that enriches their lives.

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