

## Applications for the Renaud Teaching Assistantships

Graduate Studies considers departmental nominations for the Carolyn and Richard Renaud Graduate Teaching Assistantships.

The Renaud assistantship, open to new or returning MA and Doctoral students (but excluding MA I clinical students), is worth \$5000. Twelve awards in total for the university are generally made on the basis of academic merit and financial need.

One nomination is usually permitted for our department. To ensure that we put forward a strong nomination that will meet the current and future needs of the department, we ask that students apply for these assistantships in association with faculty member(s) who are involved in the relevant course. Faculty will help identify projects of particular value, and will help in the planning and supervision of the TAship. (Note that the call for preferences for regular TAships will go out in June and be due as usual Aug. 1).

These special TAships have duties different from the regular teaching assistantships in the department. The student could undertake a project that would be of benefit to undergraduate and/or graduate students. Previous special TAship assignments in our department have entailed, for example, developing lab manuals; adapting the first undergraduate statistics course for teaching via the web; providing web support for Cognition I and II, the perception courses, and behavioral neurobiology; developing instructional modules for undergraduates for SPSS routines for the departmental website; and assisting in the preparation of teaching materials related to the graduate clinical courses.

In the application, the benefit the teaching assistantship would bring the department, the nature of the project or course the applicant would be assigned to, the faculty member who will supervising the project, and the work expected of the candidate must be described.

Application materials may be obtained from Shirley Black. Students should submit application materials to Shirley by April 10.