

## **Teaching Associate/Graduate Assistant Rules of Eligibility**

- Admission to the university and to a graduate degree program.
- Maintenance of graduate program, Fresno State, and overall grade point average of 3.00 or better.
- Current enrollment in 6 units or 2 courses that are applicable toward the graduate program.

The only exception to this rule applies for students who have completed all courses required for the graduate degree and are finishing their culminating experience through continuous enrollment with zero units (see final bulleted item below).

*Note:* 1) Withdrawal from all courses in the semester in which an associateship or an assistantship was awarded constitutes automatic ineligibility. Students must notify the department, Academic Personnel, and the Division of Graduate Studies in such cases. 2) When fees are late on the installment plan, the accounting department will automatically withdraw the student from all courses, thus causing ineligibility for the TA/GA appointment starting immediately upon the date of withdrawal. Failure to notify the appropriate university departments will cause ineligibility for subsequent teaching associateship or graduate assistantship positions.

- Timely progress toward the completion of the degree.  
Classified Graduate Standing and Advancement to Candidacy are to be attained as soon as students have completed stipulated graduate program criteria. These may be prerequisites listed on their Departmental Recommendations prior to attaining classified graduate standing or requirements that have to be completed for advancement to candidacy.
- Satisfactory progress toward the degree.  
If a student has received an “I” or “RP” (formerly “SP”) grade in a previous semester, a letter from the instructor of record will need to be submitted to the Division of Graduate Studies indicating when the student will be finishing the course, and whether satisfactory progress is still being made toward the graduate degree.
- Continuous enrollment with zero units.  
This requirement applies to those students who have already enrolled for units in their culminating experience during a previous semester and who currently have no other coursework to take.  
The forms to sign up for continuous enrollment are located in the Division of Graduate Studies, Thomas Administration, Room 132.