PTA 2019 Application Guidelines

The Center for the Advancement of Teaching’s mission is to foster evidence-based teaching so that students learn, develop, and succeed. The Provost’s Teaching Academy (PTA) faculty are important contributors to that mission. We welcome applications from full-time faculty who wish to enhance their teaching philosophy and practice, join a community of some of Temple’s best and most committed educators, and serve as ambassadors for the CAT. We expect that all PTA members will apply what they have learned in some way that improves teaching and learning at the university.

Throughout Provost’s Teaching Academy, faculty read literature on teaching and learning, participate in robust discussions with colleagues about teaching, and generate strategies for improving student learning and engagement. PTA faculty members receive a $2,000 stipend* and course texts in recognition of their investment of time and energy.

The 2019 Provost’s Teaching Academy will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am until 12 noon during the Summer 1 session from May 14th - June 20th.

To officially apply for the 2019 Provost’s Teaching Academy please submit the following materials via this online application form by Friday, March 8, 2019:

1. Cover Letter
2. Statement of Teaching Philosophy
3. CV

Your letter should address your reasons for applying for the PTA and provide an account of your teaching career and experience so far. Your letter must include a short description of the specific way you propose to help the CAT to foster teaching excellence.

We welcome your creative proposals, but provide some examples below of some of the ways in which PTA members have helped foster teaching excellence in the past, including:

- Teaching the requisite seminar for Temple’s Teaching in Higher Education Certificate.
- Formally mentoring graduate students for the certificate’s reflective practicum.
- Mentoring colleagues, graduate students, or undergraduate peer teachers or tutors.
- Facilitating pedagogy workshops, brown bags, or dialogues for a department, school or university-wide audience.
- Creating pedagogy resources for use by a department, college, or the larger university community.

For information on writing a teaching philosophy and examples visit, http://ucat.osu.edu/professional-development/teaching-portfolio/philosophy/

If you have questions about the program or the application process please contact CAT’s Assistant Director Clifford Rouder via email crouder@temple.edu.

We welcome your application. Together we can advance the value and practice of educational excellence at Temple.

*Faculty at professional schools who are on 12-month contracts participate every year in PTA, but are not able to be compensated with a stipend.