



February 5, 2009

Memorandum

To: Graduate Center Students Appointed as Graduate Assistants

From: Yosette Jones Johnson
Assistant Vice President for Faculty and Staff Relations

Subject: CUNY-PSC/CUNY Agreement for Summer 2009

I am very pleased that CUNY and the PSC/CUNY have again agreed to permit Graduate Assistant A's, B's, and C's to accept summer assignments in addition to the maximum workload prescribed in Article 15.3 of the PSC/CUNY collective bargaining agreement. As a result of this agreement, Graduate Assistants may accept assignments in 2009 subject to the same summer employment limitations that exist for full-time and adjunct faculty. You may view the letter of agreement at <http://web.gc.cuny.edu/HumanResources/benefits/grad-a.htm>

CUNY will provide the PSC with the names and teaching assignments of all Graduate Assistants who accept summer teaching assignments in accord with the agreement. It is understood that this agreement is in effect for the summer of 2009 only unless CUNY and the PSC/CUNY agree to its continuation. Should you have questions please do not hesitate to contact Teena Costabile at the number above or email at tcostabile@gc.cuny.edu.

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January 9, 2009

Dr. Barbara Bowen
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Dear Dr. Bowen:

I write to confirm our agreement for Summer 2009 to interpret the term "work year" in section 15.3 of the 2002-2007 PSC/CUNY collective bargaining agreement as modified by the 2007-2010 PSC/CUNY Memorandum of Agreement to mean the period from the beginning of the Fall semester to the day after the Spring commencement of each college for the purpose of enforcing the workload provisions contained in section 15.3. Under this interpretation, Graduate Assistants A, B, and C are eligible for summer assignments, in addition to the maximum workload provided in section 15.3, subject to the same summer employment limitations that exist for full-time and adjunct faculty.


This document is not intended to lessen departments' discretion in the selection of instructional staff for summer assignments. Aside from making Graduate Assistants eligible for assignments during the summer in addition to the workload prescribed in section 15.3, nothing in this agreement is intended to alter the way in which summer assignments are made, including, but not limited to, the ability to give preference for such assignments to full-time faculty.

CUNY will provide the PSC with the names and teaching assignments of all Graduate Assistants with an appointment to the Graduate Center who accept summer teaching assignments under this agreement so the PSC can monitor the effect of the change.

It is understood that this agreement is in effect for Summer 2009 only, unless the parties agree in writing to its continuation.

Please indicate your agreement by signing on the line provided below. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,


Pamela S. Silverblatt
Vice Chancellor

AGREED:



Professional Staff Congress/CUNY

1/12/09
Date

