TA Short Guide to Key Resources, 2021-2022

TEACHING:

• Center for Teaching, Learning & Outreach: The CTLO staff can answer individual questions, troubleshoot, and help TAs obtain feedback on teaching. Events (workshops and programs) are updated online; http://ctlo.caltech.edu
• Teaching Conference: Held prior to the start of the fall quarter, the annual conference includes basic, advanced and specialized workshops; http://ctlo.caltech.edu/TeachingConference
• Remote Teaching: Resources for technology, tools and strategies for teaching remotely; http://teach.caltech.edu
• Caltech Project for Effective Teaching (CPET) Certificate Program: CPET is a graduate student group offering seminars and workshops, resources, videos, and two certificate programs: the Certificate of Interest and Certificate of Practice in University Teaching; http://ctlo.caltech.edu/cpet
• University Teaching Course: E110, Principles of University Teaching and Learning in STEM. Winter 2022 and Spring 2022 (3 units, pass-fail); https://ctlo.caltech.edu/E110

ACADEMIC:

• Tutoring: The undergraduate dean’s office provides a peer tutoring service; If the course isn’t listed, the student can talk with the dean’s office to arrange for a tutor; https://deans.caltech.edu/AcademicSupport/tutor
• Writing: The Hixon Writing Center provides professional writing tutors as well as peer tutors, individual and group writing space, and additional resources; http://writing.caltech.edu
• Remote Learning: Resources for technology, tools and strategies for learning remotely; http://learn.caltech.edu
• Registrar & FERPA: The registrar can answer questions about degree progress, privacy of student records, and course enrollment procedures; http://registrar.caltech.edu. The website also lists Option Representatives for option-specific advising, policies, and information.
• Library: Borrow books, retrieve journal articles, reserve rooms and receive guidance about researching online and in the library, including course reserves and copyright/fair use; https://www.library.caltech.edu/
• Dean of Undergraduate Students: Wide-ranging assistance addressing issues (academic and other) for undergraduates; http://deans.caltech.edu, 626-395-6351.
• Dean of Graduate Studies: Wide-ranging assistance addressing issues (academic and other) for graduate students; http://gradoffice.caltech.edu, 626-395-6346.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES (note: all campus phone numbers begin with 626-395-X):

• Counseling Center: Free for all students, regardless of insurance plan; http://counseling.caltech.edu, x8331.
• Occupational Therapy: Individual sessions and consultations on building healthy habits and routines, time management, planning and organization, and more. Free for all students; http://ot.caltech.edu, x8331.
• Center for Diversity: Resources concerning navigating diversity and inclusion, including staff who can speak with students about challenges of harassment and discrimination; http://diversitycenter.caltech.edu
• Equity and Title IX: Caltech’s Assistant Vice President for Equity and Title IX Coordinator (equity@caltech.edu) works with students on issues related to discrimination (including based on race, sexual orientation, gender, etc.), harassment, and sexual misconduct; http://equity.caltech.edu, x3132.
• Caltech Accessibility Services for Students (CASS): Works with students with a wide range of disabilities to provide access to learning, housing, and campus life through accommodations; http://cass.caltech.edu
• Residential Support: Resident Associates (RAs) and Residential Life Coordinators (RLCs) are also resources for TAs and students; http://www.residentialexperience.caltech.edu/
• Career Development Center: Provides resources to help students make career decisions and implement career plans; http://www.career.caltech.edu, x6361.
Sexual Misconduct or Harassment Reporting: How it Works for Students/TAs
Please see Caltech’s policy on Gender-Based Misconduct for more detailed information.

Resources:

Confidential*

- Any member of the Health and Counseling Center
  [http://wellness.caltech.edu/counseling](http://wellness.caltech.edu/counseling)
- Campus Sexual Violence Advocate – Teresa Mejia
  [https://equity.caltech.edu/campus-advocate/campus-sexual-violence-advocate](https://equity.caltech.edu/campus-advocate/campus-sexual-violence-advocate)
- Caltech Center for Diversity - Taso Dimitriadis
  [http://titleix.caltech.edu/reporting/reporting-options](http://titleix.caltech.edu/reporting/reporting-options)

Confidential resources are not considered reports to Caltech and will be kept confidential.

You can stop here. You do not need to make a report

Reporting Options

- Hima Vatti, Caltech’s Title IX Coordinator
  [equity@caltech.edu](mailto:equity@caltech.edu)
- Billie Dawn Greenblatt, Deputy Title IX Coordinator (Students)
  [equity@caltech.edu](mailto:equity@caltech.edu)
- Melany Hunt, Deputy Title IX Coordinator (Faculty)
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- Ofelia Velazquez-Perez, Deputy Title IX Coordinator (Staff/Postdocs)
  [ofelia.velazquez-perez@caltech.edu](mailto:ofelia.velazquez-perez@caltech.edu)

TAs are required to report so that Caltech can offer appropriate responses to all parties involved.

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Reporting party requests an informal resolution.**

- Title IX coordinator will work with each person to resolve the situation informally.

**May not be available for all cases.

* These resources are confidential unless someone’s immediate safety is at risk. And a reporting party will always be encouraged to file a report with local law enforcement. Clergy crimes are reported without using names by law.

Reporting party seeks confidentiality or does not wish complaint to be pursued.

- If the reporting party requests their name not be used, or asks that the complaint not be pursued, Caltech will take all reasonable steps to investigate and respond to the complaint consistent with the request. Depending on the circumstances and safety needs of the Caltech community or a minor, the Title IX coordinator may need to initiate action regardless of the request. If reporting party refuses to have their name disclosed to respondent, the investigator will explain that Caltech’s ability to respond may be limited.

Reporting party files a formal complaint and requests a mediation or investigation.

Mediation:
Both parties and Caltech voluntarily agree to enter into a non-disciplinary resolution agreement to resolve the allegations. Agreement consists of educational, rehabilitative, and counseling measures undertaken to remedy the issues underlying the allegations. Parties do not interact—Title IX Coordinator negotiates between the parties. Not available in all circumstances.

Investigation:
Investigators gather witness testimony, documents, and other evidence. Decision maker conducts a hearing with parties and witnesses to decide whether allegations are substantiated by a preponderance of the evidence. Appeal process is available.