Winter - Summer 2022 CITL GSR Opportunity

The Center for Innovations in Teaching and Learning (CITL) seeks one 50% Graduate Student Researcher (GSR) for Winter, Spring, and Summer Quarters 2022 to support CITL’s Program Evaluation efforts.

Evaluation is a systematic and intentional process of gathering and analyzing data (quantitative and qualitative) to inform decision-making and action about programs. The GSR will assist with the continued development and refinement of CITL’s integrated program evaluation plan, create survey protocols and other data collection tools, collect and analyze quantitative and qualitative data, and draft reports.

Responsibilities

The GSR reports directly to Dr. Samara Foster, CITL’s Managing Director, with indirect supervision from Dr. Jody Greene, CITL’s Founding Director. As a key component of the position, the GSR will receive close mentorship and support to develop skills. Below is a list of the main responsibilities and expectations of the GSR position. Other related tasks will be discussed on an ongoing basis.

- **Winter 2022**
  - Finalize evaluation plan already started
  - Develop and refine protocols
  - Begin data collection and cleaning
- **Spring 2022**
  - Continued data collection
  - Data analysis
- **Summer 2022**
  - Draft and finalize reports
  - Meet regularly with the CITL Directors to discuss progress
  - Maintain regular communication outside of meetings with the CITL Managing Director
  - Contribute to a collaborative working climate with the CITL team

Preferred Qualifications

The successful candidate will have some combination (not all) of the following.

- Skilled with basic quantitative methods (descriptive) and/or qualitative data analysis
- Experience with survey design and analysis
- Experience with program evaluation and/or mixed methods social science research
- Experience writing executive reports, research briefs, or research reports
- Strong verbal, written, and interpersonal communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to communicate and work effectively with diverse groups of people, such as faculty, students, staff, and administrators
Terms
This GSR position will cover Winter, Spring, and Summer Quarters of 2022 with a standard 50% time GSR appointment, which includes fee remission and GSHIP health insurance. GSR salary is determined at the divisional level and is therefore dependent upon the GSR’s home department and year in program.

Application Deadline and Process
Deadline: 9:00 am on Monday, November 29, 2021

Please submit the following before the deadline to citl@ucsc.edu with the subject line “CITL GSR 2022 Application”:

- Current CV
- A letter of interest (2 pages max) explaining your qualifications and why you are interested in the position
- Name and contact information of someone who can describe your research skills and experience. (No letter is necessary at this time; we will contact references as needed.)

Timeline
- Letter of interest due to CITL by Monday, November 29, at 9am (email letter to citl@ucsc.edu with subject the line “CITL GSR 2022 Application”).
- Selected candidates will be invited for an interview by Friday, December 3.
- Interviews will take place the week of December 6.
- Final decision will be made by December 13.

About CITL
Created in 2016 to both honor and renew the university’s longstanding tradition of outstanding teaching and bold educational experimentation, the Center for Innovations in Teaching and Learning (CITL) uses research and equity-minded practices to strengthen the culture of teaching, foster student success and equitable outcomes, and support teacher-leaders at UC Santa Cruz, a thriving Hispanic Serving Research Institution (HSRI).