Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry
Centralized Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) Assignment Process

GTA Opt-out Form

GTA positions will be assigned to graduate students across the School in a specific order:
1. PhD students without external scholarships who are within their residency period and possess the experience/skill set to serve as a GTA in the assigned course. These students are defined as "**GTA-Eligible**" and will be offered the equivalent of a **0.5 GTA** position or **140 hours**.
2. PhD or MSc students whom we are obligated to hire in compliance with the GTA Collective Agreement, Articles 13.04b and 13.05a. These students are defined as "**GTA-Obligated**" and will be offered at a level of GTA position as dictated by collective agreement.

If a PhD or MSc student **declines** an Eligible or Obligatory GTA position then his/her stipend will be reduced by the value of a 0.5 GTA (~$6,500) or the level of GTA position as dictated in the collective agreement.

If a supervisor <u>does not want</u> their graduate student to hold an Eligible GTA position, and the student is in agreement with this, then the supervisor is responsible for contributing the difference to the graduate student's funding package.

Name: _____

Student Number: _____

Graduate Program: _____

☐ I choose to decline a GTA position for the upcoming academic year.

☐ I understand that my stipend will be reduced by the value of a 0.5 GTA or ~$6500

☐ As the supervisor, I do not want my graduate student to hold a GTA position, and my graduate student is in agreement with this. I understand that I am responsible for contributing the difference to my student's funding package.

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Graduate Student's signature   Supervisor's signature

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Graduate Chair's signature   Date

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