

2026 CI Graduate Student Orientation

Please note: If you are a new TA, the university wide TA orientation is **MANDATORY** (failure to complete this orientation will impact your ability to teach/remain on assistantship). Per the Graduate School website, "tuition funding is contingent upon your completion of all required TA Orientation events within the first semester of your teaching assistantship. If you do not complete all the requirements by the end of your second semester, you may not continue as a TA."

***Asynchronous online modules available on Canvas on Friday, August 3, 2026, and must be completed by the first day of classes.

Monday– August 10, 2026

When	Where	What
9:00am		<u>Graduate Student Orientation and Resource Fair</u> https://gradschool.uky.edu/graduate-school-events-teaching-assistants

Tuesday – August 11, 2026

When	Where	What
9:00am – 12:00pm	Worsham Cinema of Gatton Student Center	<u>University-wide TA Orientation</u> Microteaching Introduction and Preparation After the introductory session, attendees will be dismissed to assigned classrooms within the building. Classroom assignments will be announced by email the day before the orientation. Attendance at both in-person sessions is required. More information about Microteaching can be found here.
12:15pm – 2:50pm	Pence 209	<u>Welcome and General Program Information</u> Lunch will be provided. Learn about program course work, culture, expectations, professionalism, and other necessary information to be successful in your 1st semester.
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Pence 209	<u>Human Resources Contact</u> Our college human resources office will be explaining employment forms, pay schedules, and other important information that you will need to know about our college.

Wednesday – August 12, 2026

When	Where	What
9:00am – 12:00pm	Worsham Cinema of Gatton Student Center	<u>University-wide TA Orientation</u> Microteaching Presentation and Feedback -After the introductory session, attendees will be dismissed to assigned classrooms within the building. Classroom assignments will be announced by email the day before the orientation. Attendance at both in-person sessions is required. More information about Microteaching can be found here.
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Pence 209	<u>CI Graduate Student Panel</u> Lunch and Learn -boxed lunches will be provided, RSVP! Hear from a panel of graduate students at different phases of their graduate careers and represent different areas of specialization on the first-year experience!
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Pence 209	<u>Data Collection, Funded Research, and Research Ethics</u> Hear about CITI training, the process of IRB, grant funded and paid research, and research ethics.
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Pence 220	<u>Beginning Your Research Agenda</u> Hear from a panel of faculty representing different phases of their careers and different research interests about how they developed research lines, conducted research, collaborated, and published during graduate school.
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Pence 209	<u>Exploring Office Spaces</u> During this time, we will go to McVey Hall and check out the graduate offices. Please note that office space is only provided to students who are teaching assistants.

August 13 or August 14 or August 17 or August 20, 2026

When	Where	What
Check with Course Coordinator		<u>Unit/Course-specific Training and Orientation</u> These days are reserved for course-specific training and orientation. Individual units will directly contact the students assigned to those units to let them know about course-specific training and orientation sessions.