## Winter 2024 TA Job Posting for ECON 102

## Please give a brief description of the course content or a link to the course outline:

This course introduces students to the measurement and behaviour of key macroeconomic variables both in Canada and around the world. Topics include national accounts, inflation, interest rates, wages, international balance of payments, business cycles, growth, employment, unemployment, poverty, and inequality.

The main goals of this course are to provide a good understanding of key macroeconomic concepts and aggregates, the interaction between different agents and sectors in the economy, how economies operate at the aggregate level, and the challenges policymakers face when setting policy. The course will introduce important concepts in macroeconomics such as the determinants of output and employment, the causes and costs of inflation, the types and reasons for unemployment, the role of government, the central bank and financial institutions in the economy, the determinants of the exchange rate and the importance of fiscal and monetary policy.

Although this course will primarily focus on short-run fluctuations and closed economies, students will also learn about the determinants of economic growth and issues related to the open economy. We will apply the concepts learned in class to understand macroeconomic events in Canada and around the world.

## Any necessary knowledge or skills needed:

Understanding of basic macro concepts. Good communication skills to conduct tutorials.

Please fill out this chart as closely as you can for the TA duties and hours you predict the course will be using for the entire Winter 2024 term. This will be used as an estimation only. Graduate TAs are not permitted to work more than 140 hours for the term or more than 10 hours in any given week (70 hours or 5 hours a week for a ½ TA). When thinking of the duties you might have for your TA, we ask that you be mindful of this constraint and try not to come up against it. TAs own coursework comes first. Negotiations for a reasonable amount of time for returning marked assignments, etc. will occur as needed.

Duty	Estimated Hours for the Term or N/A	Brief description of unusual or especially time-consuming features of the duty, if any
Meetings with Course	4	
Instructor		
Class preparation		
Attending lectures		
Student consultation;		
office hours		
Lecturing		
Conducting tutorials	25	The TA will lead tutorials (approximately 5 out of 10). Tutorials cover multiple-choice and short-answer questions

		from specific chapters and past midterms. Each tutorial lasts 80 minutes. The TA will receive questions and an answer key in advance for preparation.
Grading	105	The TA will dedicate most of their time here. I'll assign six short assignments (short answer and numerical). Students get 10 days per assignment. The TA is expected to grade the assignment promptly to ensure students receive grades before submitting more work.
Proctoring exams	6	There are three exams for this course.
Other duties (describe/explain)		
Totals	140	