International Teaching Assistant Orientation, Fall 2011

Thursday, August 11, 2011
Gatton Business and Economics Building (B&E), Room 148

7:45-8:15 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast (in hallway outside of meeting room)

8:30  Welcome and introductory activity
      Dr. Morris Grubbs, Assistant Dean, The Graduate School

9:00  Purposes and Functions of American Higher Education
      Dr. Jeannine Blackwell, Dean, The Graduate School

9:30  Teaching at Kentucky: Advice from an International Faculty Member
      Dr. Arne Bathke, Professor, Statistics

10:15 Break

10:30 Services/Resources/Advice for International Graduate Students
      Dr. Elif Bengu, International Student Affairs Advisor, Office of International Affairs
      Dr. Tina Bryant, Senior Staff Psychologist, Counseling Center Consultation and Psychological Services

11:15 Teaching at Kentucky: Advice from a Panel of Experienced TAs
      Albert Kalim (Moderator), Computer Science
      Christson Adedoyin, Social Work
      Nada El Majzoub, Modern & Classical Languages/Educational Leadership
      Holger Lenz, German and Library Science

12:00 Lunch (provided). Panel Q&A will continue during first part of lunch break.

1:30 p.m. The ITA Language Screening: What to Expect and How to Prepare
      Prof. Liga Abolins, Director, Center for English as a Second Language
      Dr. Morris Grubbs, Director, ITA Language Screenings
      Ms. Hannah Bentley, Undergraduate Student

2:30 Break

2:45-5:00 Office of International Affairs (OIA) Orientation (for students new to UK)

(This completes the International TA Orientation. Throughout the day on Friday, August 12th, are pre-set appointments for ITA language screenings. The screening schedule will be available for review at the ITA orientation. ITAs will continue with the university-wide TA Orientation on Monday, August 15th, with breakfast and registration at the Worsham Theater patio, UK Student Center, beginning at 7:30. TA Orientation concludes at lunch on Wednesday, August 17th, with the New Graduate Student Resource Fair continuing until 2:00 p.m.)