The Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE) strives to enrich the learning experience for undergraduate students at FSU by supporting the teaching efforts of graduate student teaching assistants through its various services. PIE offers professional development programs that create opportunities to foster a sense of collaboration and community among all graduate student teaching assistants at FSU.

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More information about PIE may be found at [http://pie.fsu.edu](http://pie.fsu.edu).

**Other Resources**

- Academic Center for Excellence  
  [http://ace.fsu.edu/](http://ace.fsu.edu/)

- Center for Global Engagement  
  [http://cge.fsu.edu/](http://cge.fsu.edu/)

- Online Distance Learning  
  [https://distance.fsu.edu/](https://distance.fsu.edu/)

- University Libraries  
  [http://www.lib.fsu.edu/](http://www.lib.fsu.edu/)

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**PIE Conferences**
Each fall and spring PIE offers university-wide teaching trainings/orientations that introduce graduate students to FSU teaching resources, policies, and best practices for teaching and learning.

**PIE Coffee Hour & Teaching Workshop Series**
Join fellow FSU TAs and instructors to discuss strategies and techniques that promote excellence in teaching and learning - coffee and pie are provided!

**Outstanding TA Award (OTAA)**
These awards recognize outstanding TAs for their distinguished contributions to student learning through excellence in instruction.

**PIE Recognitions**
PIE offers two types of Teaching Training Recognition (general and advanced) with the goal of enhancing TA teaching practice beyond the PIE Teaching Conference.

**PIE Associates**
Experienced TAs can apply to become a PIE Associate and serve as a mentor for TAs in your academic department and university-wide.

**TA Handbook**
Use this as a guide to learn more about teaching tips, resources, and policies while serving as a TA at FSU. To access the handbook, visit, pie.fsu.edu.

**PIE TA Book Groups**
Book groups are a great chance to share ideas with colleagues from across the university. Discuss texts about teaching & learning, and generate practical ideas for enriching your classroom. For dates see pie.fsu.edu

**Share Your Successes, Teaching Tips & Questions!**
Get answers to questions about teaching. Share announcements, activities or success stories at PIE-Info@fsu.edu

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**Goals & Objectives**

- Promote FSU nationally and internationally as a leading research university committed to student learning.
- Orient graduate students to the University, its teaching policies, resources, and services.
- Provide awareness of teaching and learning best practices to improve the quality of undergraduate instruction by graduate student teaching assistants.
- Highlight and reward excellent teaching by graduate students.
- Support departments in developing departmental teaching assistant training programs.
- Establish mentoring relationships between experienced & new graduate student teaching assistants.
- Provide graduate students with opportunities for peer review of instruction.
- Provide teaching and service experiences designed to prepare graduate students for the range of responsibilities they will meet as future faculty members.