

TEACHING FELLOWSHIP AVAILABLE – Fall 2025
BIOL 321/3.0 – Animal Behaviour
Queen's University, Kingston, ON CAN K7L 3J9

The Department of Biology at Queen's University invites applications from suitably qualified candidates interested in teaching a course on Animal Behaviour either as an individual teaching fellowship or a co-teaching fellowship (i.e., two individuals sharing the course). The maximum enrolment of the course is 160 students, with three weekly 50-minute lectures and one weekly 90-minute tutorial session, and up to 20 students in each tutorial section. This is a fall term appointment for the period September 1 to the end of December 2025.

Teaching Fellows at Queen's University are governed by the *Collective Agreement* between the Queen's PSAC 901 which is posted at <https://psac901.org/unit-1-collective-agreement/>. This course explores patterns and process in behaviour, with emphasis on perception, communication, foraging, spacing, reproduction and social behaviour in a variety of animals, with an evolutionary framework. An independent project helps students explore methods of studying and analyzing behaviour in a system of their choice.

Qualifications: To be considered for the position, applicants must be PhD candidates (having passed the comprehensive exam) who have completed relevant undergraduate or graduate coursework. Preference will be given to applicants who have relevant teaching or teaching assistantship experience, as well as related research expertise.

Applications should include: a cover letter outlining your academic accomplishments and relevant experience for this course (maximum 1 page), a course proposal on this topic of up to three pages; an up-to-date CV, a copy of your undergraduate and MSc transcript (unofficial is fine), and a letter of support from your supervisor. Please note all applicants must have completed their comprehensive exam as a prerequisite to their application.

Please arrange to have applications and supporting letters sent directly to:

Lindsey Morey, Administrative Assistant to the Head of Biology
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Applications will be reviewed following the closing of the application period. The final appointment is subject to budgetary approval.

Course Description:

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This course is for students looking to understand an evolutionary approach to the study of animal behaviour. This course explores processes and patterns in behaviour, with emphasis on perception, communication, foraging, spacing, reproduction and social behaviour in a variety of animals. Methods of studying and analyzing behaviour are explored through laboratory exercises.

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