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**Subject:** Departmental New TA Workshop

Dear All,

The Discipline-Based Science Education Research Center (dB-SERC) will host a workshop for new and returning Graduate Student Teaching Assistants focused on discipline-specific issues in the teaching and learning of Natural Sciences. It will be held on Thursday, August 25 from 10:00am to 11:30am via zoom. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in ensuring that all new TAs be notified of this important workshop.

Interested TAs can register at this link: https://forms.gle/4eY7LXYthmyqZFEE9

The deadline to register is Tuesday, August 23.

In this workshop, we will discuss evidence-based strategies for improving the effectiveness of homework sessions and recitations/labs including but not limited to: creating a TA teaching community, fostering collaborative learning, improving student participation, and tailoring help provided to students' prior knowledge.

Students should plan to attend for the full 90 minutes, and call in from a location where you can turn on your camera and talk. I look forward to seeing you there!

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