



# Grinnell College

**POSITION:** Teaching Assistant - Department of German Studies, Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, USA

**Dates of Employment:** August 18, 2023 – May 20, 2024

**Job description:**

- Teach weekly practice sessions with students in beginning German. (not more than 6 hours per week for 4 hour-long meetings and 2 hours of preparation time each week)
- Attend weekly extracurricular programming such as Deutschtisch (lunch on Mondays), Kaffeestunde (one afternoon each week)
- Provide support to students learning German classes by holding office hours
- Attend all departmental events (guest speakers, film screenings)
- Work with residents of German House to plan cultural events related to German-speaking cultures
- Total work schedule note to exceed 20 hours/week

**Award:**

- Grinnell College pays for Tuition, Housing, Full Meal Plan at the campus dining hall, Health Insurance, Student Fees (approximate value \$78,000)
- You get to take 2 4-credit classes per semester at one of the county's best institutions
- Stipend: dispersed biweekly during term, currently \$15/hour for 20 hours/week over a period of 30 weeks, total compensation \$9000
- Round-trip air fare from Vienna-Grinnell

**Study requirements:**

- Visa requirements include enrollment in 2 courses/semester over two semesters
- Must be a degree-seeking student at the University of Vienna



Grinnell College is located in the town of Grinnell (population 9,100) and is 60 miles from airports at Des Moines and Cedar Rapids. The community is small enough to be friendly and accessible but large enough to have restaurants, recreational programs and activities, shops, churches, and medical services. All campus activities (concerts, lectures, dances, films) are free.

Grinnell College, founded in 1846, is an undergraduate, private, four-year coeducational residential college that seeks to develop in students both analytical and imaginative thinking in the liberal arts. Grinnell's student body is comprised of 1,600 students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and about 50 other countries.

Grinnell College is committed to liberal education in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and the arts. Students pursue courses in a wide range of disciplines beyond the major. The low faculty to student ratio allows for small classes, individualized instruction and emphasis on student-centered discussions. The highest degree offered is a Bachelor of Arts; however, a proportionately large number of Grinnell Graduates continue their studies at other institutions offering graduate degrees (master's, doctorate, medicine, law, etc.)

The curriculum offers a variety of courses in a number of major fields; undergraduate courses are available in the following areas:

American Studies	Environmental Studies	Music
Anthropology	Film and Media Studies	Philosophy
Art	French and Arabic	Neuroscience
Asian Studies	General Literary Studies	Physical Education
Biology	Latin American Studies	Physics
Chemistry	Gender, Women's and Sexuality Studies	Political Science
Classical & East Asian Languages	General Science	Psychology
Computer Science	German Studies	Religious Studies
Digital Studies	History	Russian
Economics	Humanities & Social Studies	Sociology
Education	Linguistics	Spanish
English	Mathematics	Theater and Dance

Acceptance into courses is subject to availability.

For more information, please visit <https://www.grinnell.edu/academics/majors-concentrations/german>.

**TO APPLY:** Please complete the Application form below and email a copy to Prof. Daniel Reynolds ([reynolds@grinnell.edu](mailto:reynolds@grinnell.edu)) and Prof. Viktoria Poetzl ([poetzlvi@grinnell.edu](mailto:poetzlvi@grinnell.edu)), along with your CV

**Deadline:** April 1, 2023

After reviewing applications, we will contact finalists for an online interview.

# Application Form

Teaching Assistant  
Department of German Studies  
Grinnell College

Name (as it appears on your passport)	
Address:	
Email Address:	
Telephone:	
Area(s) of Study:	
English proficiency (TOEFL score if available)	
Employment history – please list briefly any jobs you have previously held for or currently hold.	
Expierence in USA – Please list any previous travel or	

school experience in the USA	
<b>Statement of Interest</b> In a paragraph, please explain your motivation for applying and what you hope to gain from the experience of teaching German at a small college in the rural USA.	