Comparative Literature TA Orientation 2012-2013: A Resource-Full Community
September 24, 2012 1pm-4pm

The 2012-2013 Complit TA Training Program is dedicated to recognizing some of the most informative and supportive resources for complit TAs: other complit TAs. By focusing our training on the benefits of building and sustaining a complit TA community, we can galvanize the experience and insights that come with teaching in comparative literature, and create effective feedback and support programs. As a facet of this goal our pedagogy workshops for the year will be team-facilitated and inter-departmental to encourage collaboration within and beyond the Comparative Literature Program.

1:00-2:30pm in Phelps 5309

1-1:15 pm: Introductions and opening activity: “Hurling Epithets”

1:15-1:30 pm: Outlining and clarifying the role of the Comparative Literature TA; establishing peer collaboration and feedback opportunities

1:35-1:45 pm: GauchoSpace introduction, demonstration of Comparative Literature TA Training Site

1:50-2:30 pm: Jigsaw Activity: Specialized and break-out group exploration of TA Handbook with reflection and response

2:30-2:50 pm: Refreshment Break

2:50-4:00pm in Phelps 6320

2:50-3:00 pm: UAW Representatives explain the role of the Union in providing support to TAs

3:00-3:10 pm: GSA VP outlines the function of the UCSB GSA and why it is relevant to complit TAs

3:10-3:30 pm: DSP Representative: Gary White, Director of DSP, will discuss the university’s resources for students with disabilities and answer questions from TAs

3:30-3:50 pm: Faculty and staff resources: Prof. Catherine Nesci, Joell Emoto, Josefina Lopez, and David Holmes will introduce themselves and explain their offices

3:50-4:00 pm: Final questions and observations

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