

**GTA Orientation Schedule**  
**Minnesota State University, Mankato**  
**Dr. Laura Jacobi**

**Thursday, August 6**

- 10:00-10:30    Introductions
- 10:30-11:15    Meet with Office Coordinator of the Department of Communication Studies
- 11:15-12:00    Overview of CMST100
- 12:00-12:30    Lunch
- 12:30-1:30    Teaching Philosophy Exercise
- 1:30-2:30    Discussion Topics: First Day, Icebreakers
- 2:30-3:30    Discussion Topics: Creating a Syllabus & Learning Objectives
- 3:30-4:30    Get keys and IDs

**Friday, August 7**

- 10:00-12:00    D2L Training, ATS, basement of Memorial Library
- 12:00-2:00    Meet with Kory Floyd (author of text) and Andy Darsow, representative from McGraw Hill Education (text publisher); working lunch
- 2:00-4:00    AVID teaching strategies, Education Department

**Monday, August 10**

- 10:00-11:00    Discussion Topic: Planning Classroom Exercises
- 11:00-12:00    Discussion Topic: Creating Lectures & Lesson Plans
- 12:00-12:30    Lunch
- 12:30-1:45    Meet with Jenny Turner from Library (library entrance)
- 2:00-3:00    Discussion Topic: Motivating Students & Classroom Management
- 3:00-4:30    Discussion Topic: Facilitating Discussions

**Tuesday, August 11**

- 10:00-11:00 Learn about technology in classrooms
- 11:00-12:00 Discussion Topic: Accommodating for Different Learning Styles
- 12:00-12:30 Lunch
- 12:30-1:00 Meet with Center for Academic Success (ML125)
- 1:00-1:45 Meet with Office of Disability Services (ML132)
- 2:00-2:30 Meet with Director of Graduate Students
- 2:30-3:30 Discussion Topic: Grading/Assessment
- 3:30-4:30 Grading Sample Speeches

**Thursday, August 13**

- 10:00-11:00 Round Table Discussion with Current Graduate Students
- 11:00-12:00 Micro-teaching Presentations
- 12:00-12:30 Lunch
- 12:30-4:30 Micro-teaching Presentations