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U.Va. Colleagues Reflect on Teaching

Over the past decade U.Va. faculty and graduate students have written reflectively about their teaching for a number of purposes: when nominated for teaching awards, as part of their comprehensive teaching portfolios, when applying for various grants and fellowships, or in the process of seeking post-graduate employment. In celebration of its tenth anniversary, the Teaching Resource Center has selected several dozen compelling teaching statements for publication in the forthcoming booklet *Reflecting on Teaching*.

Through these essays, U.Va. instructors demonstrate their dedication to teaching well. The statements show how faculty and graduate students understand their fields and the nature of learning in their disciplines. Their reflections also illuminate the complexities of good teaching. The selections represent a wide variety of academic disciplines, offering many viewpoints about effective teaching.

The TRC will soon make *Reflecting on Teaching* available in paper and through our website. We hope the U.Va. academic community will find their colleagues' essays thought-provoking, and that dissemination of this volume will enhance teaching around and beyond Grounds.

Update: Reflections on Teaching is available at the Teaching Resource Center.