## **Teaching Philosophy Template**

Areas to Address in Your Teaching Philosophy	
My aspirations / goals / objectives:	
• As a teacher (e.g., encourage mastery, transmit information, develop critical thinking skills, encourage life-long learning, serve as a mentor, etc.)	
• For students (see examples above)	
Describe and give examples	
What methods will I use to reach these goals / objectives?	
(e.g., note your beliefs regarding learning theory illustrated by specific examples such as: case studies, team-based learning, active lecturing, simulations, case studies, etc.)	
Describe and give specific examples of strategies or practices that you will use	
How will I assess student understanding?	
(e.g., what are your beliefs about grading? What different types of assessment such as papers, tests, projects, homework, etc. will you use?)	
Describe and give examples	
How do I see teaching in my discipline?	
(e.g., what are the most important things students should gain from a major in your discipline? What are the primary problems students encounter with your disciplinary content? What are your strategies for addressing those problems?)	
Describe and give examples	
How will I improve my teaching?	
(e.g., how will you use student evaluations to improve your teaching? How will you learn new skills? How will you continue to grow as a teacher?)	
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