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ARTICLES – Cover Letters and Statements

TITLE: Writing Samples and Teaching Statements
Author: Julie Miller Vick and Jennifer S. Furlong
Published: December 20, 2010
Topic: Authors tackle questions about both documents.
LINK: http://chronicle.com/article/Writing-SamplesTeaching/125726

TITLE: How to Write a Teaching Statement That Sings
Author: Vitae - Chronicle of Higher Education
Published: 2015
- The Basics: How to Write a Teaching Statement. Boiling your views on pedagogy down to two pages might seem daunting. But don’t fear: You can make it work.
- The Next Step: 4 Ways to Make Your Statement. How to you write a statement that doesn’t sound like everybody else’s.
- What to Avoid: Don’t Get Weepy! The single most common error in the genre? Hyper-emotionalism. Here’s how to avoid it.
- What to Include: Teaching Statement as Self-Portrait. Drop the abstract description and make your statement a window into your classroom style.
- Beyond the Document:
  - My Philosophy of Teaching. It’s not just newcomers to the profession who need to hone their classroom approach.
  - Why It’s Time for Teaching Statements to Die. Reading them is almost as tiring as writing them. Let’s overhaul a foolish job-application requirement.
Download at LINK: https://chroniclevitae.com/news/1114-how-to-write-a-teaching-statement-that-sings

TITLE: Making a Statement: Teaching Statement, Research Statement, Diversity Statement
Author: Karen Kelsky, The Professor Is In
Published: November 23, 2016
I would like to know the difference between the teaching statement, the research statement, and the diversity statement.

LINK: https://chroniclevitae.com/news/1619-making-a-statement

VIDEO: How to Improve Your Teaching-Philosophy Statement (Two-Minute Tips: Short videos to help you excel in the academic workplace)
Author: Fernanda Zamudio-Suaréz
Published: October 08, 2018
Topic: Writing a teaching philosophy can be a daunting task. Just how do you articulate your approach to the classroom?
LINK: https://www.chronicle.com/article/How-to-Improve-Your/244283

TITLE: Top 10 Behavioral Interview Questions and Answers
Author: Alison Doyle
Published: October 09, 2018
Topic: During a job interview, it is likely that you will be asked behavioral interview questions. Find out more about this type of interview question, see common behavioral interview questions, and get tips on how to prep and respond smoothly when these questions come up.

TITLE: Why Colleges Should Require Faculty Diversity Statements
Author: Carmen Mitchell
Published: November 15, 2018
Topic: According to UCLA, an equity, diversity and inclusion, or EDI, statement submitted along with their job applications “describes a candidate or faculty member’s past, present and future (planned) contributions to equity, diversity and inclusion.”

TITLE: The Effective Diversity Statement
Author: Tanya Golash-Boza
Published: June 10, 2016
Topic: Tanya Golash-Boza gives faculty job applicants eight tips for writing a stellar diversity statement that stands out to search committees.
LINK: https://www.insidehighered.com/advice/2016/06/10/how-write-effective-diversity-statement-essay

TITLE: Writing a Teaching Philosophy Statement
Author: Iowa State University, Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching
Published: 2019
Topic: A well developed teaching philosophy will provide a way to purposefully assess your teaching approach and enable you to articulate your teaching beliefs and values to your students, your peers, and search or teaching award committees.
LINK: http://www.celt.iastate.edu/teaching/document-your-teaching/writing-a-teaching-philosophy-statement/

TITLE: What is a Philosophy of Teaching Statement?
A philosophy of teaching statement is a narrative that includes your conception of teaching and learning, a description of how you teach, and justification for why you teach that way.

**TITLE:** A Student-Centered Teaching Statement (for Job Applications)
**Author:** Zachary Nowak
**Published:** September 17, 2019
**Topic:** Taking a student-focused approach can help search committees distinguish your statement from those of other candidates, writes Zachary Nowak.


**TITLE:** How One Common Phrase Can Undermine Your Job Search
**Author:** Mike Firmand
**Published:** December 2, 2019
**Topic:** A seemingly harmless, inconsequential combination of words can really get in your way, argues Mike Firmand.

**LINK:** [https://www.insidehighered.com/advice/2019/12/02/common-phrase-avoid-job-search-opinion?utm_source=Inside+Higher+Ed&utm_campaign=3fa2b1347d-WNU_COPY_02&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_1fcb04421-3fa2b1347d-197800013&mc_cid=3fa2b1347d&mc_eid=dbdcee20ba](https://www.insidehighered.com/advice/2019/12/02/common-phrase-avoid-job-search-opinion?utm_source=Inside+Higher+Ed&utm_campaign=3fa2b1347d-WNU_COPY_02&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_1fcb04421-3fa2b1347d-197800013&mc_cid=3fa2b1347d&mc_eid=dbdcee20ba)

**TITLE:** How to Write a Successful Cover Letter
**Author:** Victoria Reyes
**Published:** January 22, 2020
**Topic:** Victoria Reyes offers some dos and don'ts for those who are new on the academic job market.


**TITLE:** Understanding Cover Letters.
**Author:** Cheryl E. Ball
**Published:** November 4, 2013
**Topic:** Every paragraph has a purpose, writes Cheryl E. Ball.


**TITLE:** Your CV Should Inform. Your Cover Letter Should Persuade.
**Author:** Karen Kelsky
**Published:** July 12, 2018
**Topic:** They have different functions and are designed to help the search committee ascertain distinctly different things.