

Class meeting for Wednesday, April 16

This class will feature a panel of faculty from institutions that are not primarily known as research universities. Each person will briefly describe their faculty position and how they arrived at it, and then respond to questions from the class.

Preparation for April 16

Web Assignment:

The course web site contains a set of links for you to browse in preparation for talking with members of the panel. Links will take you to institutions represented by each panelist, and related *Chronicle of Higher Education* columns. To access these links, go to <http://depts.washington.edu/gs630/Spring/syllabus.html>

Additional Suggested Preparation for Class:

To help you think about the possibility of teaching at other types of institutions, take some time to review academic job postings in your discipline. Possible places to look include:

- Job listings that come to your department: Many UW departments receive job announcements from other institutions, and these are often kept on file
- Job listings within your academic or professional societies: Most of these organizations have a web site for job posting, and many have an archive of previous postings.
- The *Chronicle of Higher Education* Careers section, <http://chronicle.com/jobs/>. While you are there, be sure to look at the variety of information available in the forums and advice columns.

While you are reviewing these postings, make a note of the following: What materials need to be included in the application packet besides cover letter, CV, and references? You can also look up the Carnegie Classification for the job postings of interest to you. What kinds of institutions are/were hiring?



“There are countless faculty members, administrators, and students themselves who continue to perpetuate a narrow definition of success in academe. Anything else is ‘less than’ Unfortunately, the hard facts show again and again that only a small percentage of doctoral students can achieve the success of becoming a tenure-track professor at a research institution.”

– “A Ph.D. and a Failure” by Megan Pincus Kajitani & Rebecca Bryant (*Chronicle of Higher Education*, March 24, 2005)