

# Introduction

Dear New Tutors:

Hello and welcome to the Tutoring-Learning Center!

I know that you don't personally know me and I don't know you, but I have experienced the same anticipation that you feel right now. And, having read over twelve years' worth of tutor practicum essays, I can honestly say that you are about to begin one of the most growing experiences of your life. Being a tutor is an opportunity to meet a variety of people and grow with them as you explore all aspects of learning. Tutoring may be a challenge, but it will also give you the reward of knowledge that, as an undergrad, you made a difference in your fellow students' lives.

This collection is meant to help you prepare for your first tutoring sessions. These pieces—divided into three sections—offer insights into tutoring philosophies, hands-on methods for working with multiple forms of writing, and advice for reaching a variety of learners. From learning how to resist that tempting red pen to a look at becoming a “Schwarzenegger” tutor, this collection contains true stories from tutors who survived practicum and learned what it meant for them to be tutors. I'm sure you will, too.

All the best,

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Editor & Compiler

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