

What: CETL Reception  
Length: 7 minutes  
Audience: - Young faculty, including  
                  • 22 CETL Fellows ( untenured assistant professors)  
                  • 60 CETL Fellows from past years  
              - Other faculty who either acted as mentors or helped out  
              - 50 new faculty

## Outline

### I. Importance of teaching

#### A. Brief history of teaching at universities in America

In 1869 during his inaugural address Harvard president Charles Eliot, neatly summed up America's earliest teaching philosophy when he said: "the prime business of American professors...must be regular and assiduous class teaching."

#### B. Changes since that type of philosophy

1. Land Grant
2. Vannevar Bush
3. The modern research university
  - a. Research vs. teaching controversy

#### C. Your views about teaching

"The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires." William Arthur Ward

1. Balance between teaching and research

#### D. How teaching helps young faculty gain tenure (examples at Georgia Tech)

### II. Importance of the CETL program

#### A. Program is six years young.

#### B. Avenue for faculty to learn more about teaching—especially important because teaching is so important

#### C. "The vast majority of teaching fellows have achieved promotion and tenure."

### III. Importance of young faculty getting involved

#### A. CETL program

#### B. Semester conversion

### IV. Conclusion

#### A. Reinforce importance of teaching

1. Relate a personal anecdote about the satisfaction of teaching well.