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Thelma Trujillo  
English

Dear Thelma:

At the end of each semester, the OTLT Center for Teaching's Thank-a-Teacher program provides an opportunity for University of Iowa students to recognize outstanding instructors by writing notes of appreciation. One of your students has written a note to you, and it is my honor to deliver their words of gratitude.

A student from your Interpretation of Literature course wrote the following:

*Dear Thelma,*

*Thank you so much for teaching me this semester. I enjoyed every second of your class because of the positive energy you brought day in and day out. Originally, I was not looking forward to this class as I have never really been a reading or writing person throughout my time in school, but that quickly changed. I loved the readings you provided us and the discussions that went with them. You provided us a safe space to voice our opinions on some controversial topics about our wild world and you welcomed us with open arms. I know today you said this was only your third year teaching, but I thought you did an excellent job the whole semester. I hope you have continued success and I cant wait to hopefully see you around campus hopefully soon!*

*Nick Agenlian*

Thank you for your exceptional teaching efforts at the University of Iowa. Your hard work and dedication to your students have not gone unnoticed, and we certainly appreciate all that you do. I encourage you to save this file for the future, including for your teaching portfolio.

Sincerely,

Anna L. Bostwick Flaming  
Director  
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