Training Seminars for Substantial Writing Component Courses

- A. Introduction (approximately 30 minutes)
 - 1. Short review of composition theory and research
 - 2. Review of E 306 Rhetoric and Composition—what students learn and don't learn
 - 3. What students learn by writing
- B. Making assignments (30 minutes)
- C. Commenting on student essays (30 minutes)
 - 1. Marginal and final comments
 - 2. Effective length of comments
 - 3. Character of comments

Break (30 minutes)

- D. Teaching revision: the draft method (30 minutes)
- E. Teaching mechanics: how much? (30 minutes)
- F. Evaluating student writing (60 minutes)