Response Philosophy & Analysis Due: Draft of Philosophy 5/14, Final Project: 5/21

Objectives:

- To practice studying response practices, including coding
- To analyze your own response practices
- To develop a philosophy that can guide your response practices
- To reflect on the connection between your practice and your philosophy of response

Assignment:

Part One: Based on the readings from class and your teaching experience, you will write a philosophy of response. This will be much like a teaching philosophy—a one-page document that talks theoretically about why you do what you do and backs that up with some specific examples. However, unlike a teaching philosophy yours will be focused specifically on responding to student work.

Part Two: Using our readings as a guide, the class will develop a coding scheme in order to study our response practices. We will do this and test the scheme in our workshop on ------. Once the coding scheme is established it is your job to apply it to a sample set of papers you have commented on.

Part Three: After coding your set of sample papers, you will write an analysis of your own response practices. We will use *Twelve Readers Reading* as a guide for what this should look like. Primarily, this will be description and analysis of your response style. Save the reflection for the accompanying document. However, do be sure to contextualize your analysis by explaining the assignment you responded to, the stage of the draft, the technology used etc. Explain how that may have influenced your response practices. Part Four: After you've written your philosophy and analyzed your practice, you will create another short reflection that ties the two together. In this reflection, you should address how your philosophy and your practice fit together. Do you see your philosophy reflected in your practice? If not, what do you think you might change? Be specific with clear examples.

Grading:

You will be graded on how well your work reflects the goals of this assignment. Your grade will be holistic and will include both your work on analyzing and coding your own response practices and your written analysis, philosophy and reflection. I'll also be looking at how you draw from sources to develop your philosophy and analyze your practice.