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In 1986, Bob settled in academe, and for thirty years taught at the University of Washington in its unique Interdisciplinary Writing Program. In addition, he taught for a number of years in Certificate Program in Creative Writing offered by UW Extension and served as University Director of the Puget Sound Writing Project. He spent two quarters teaching in the department's program in Rome and another two in an AHI program in Siena. He received a Distinguished Teaching Award from the English Department in 2008.

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