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COURSE HERO, WOODROW WILSON FOUNDATION LAUNCH NEW EFFORT TO SUPPORT GREAT UNIVERSITY TEACHING

Course Hero-WW Fellowship for Excellence in Teaching Conceived as “Genius Grant” to Balance Scholarship, Teaching

PRINCETON, NJ (March 5, 2018) – Recognizing the invaluable role of great teaching in a students’ path to graduation and life success, Course Hero and the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation today officially launched the Course Hero-Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for Excellence in Teaching.

This new fellowship program, created by Course Hero and administered by the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, supports rising postsecondary education “stars” who love teaching, demonstrate excellence as educators, and are making their mark as exceptional researchers, poised to shape their fields. Designed for scholars working toward tenure, the Course Hero-WW Fellowship is conceived as a “genius grant,” emphasizing the importance of balancing scholarly excellence and outstanding undergraduate teaching practices.

“Course Hero-WW Fellows will be the emerging heroes in their fields,” Course Hero CEO and Co-Founder Andrew Grauer said. “Educators are regularly recognized for their research and publications but not nearly as frequently or to the same extent for their classroom teaching. Being an exceptional educator requires more than being the leading research mind; it also requires a unique ability to engage, inspire, and build student confidence and mastery. The selected fellows will be up and coming academics who exemplify great promise in all of these areas.”

“The Woodrow Wilson Foundation was built on a commitment to provide educators with the encouragement, supports, and guidance to succeed in the academy,” said Stephanie J. Hull, executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation. “Programs such as the Course Hero-WW Fellowship help ensure those educators are not only the subject-matter experts but also the dedicated teachers that future generations of college students need.”

Eligible candidates will be tenure-track faculty either in the arts and sciences, or in a business school, who have successfully completed their institutional review at the midpoint of their progress toward tenure. They will provide evidence of outstanding progress in developing a research dossier for tenure and of excellence in undergraduate teaching. Exceptional candidates teach in ways that

- build student confidence and mastery of a subject;
- encourage critical thinking;

- explore foundational concepts through the lens of broader themes and global events;
- promote the power of learning communities beyond the classroom;
- leverage technology to complement the classroom experience;
- consider and serve different learning styles;
- prepare students for lifelong learning; and
- can serve as replicable teaching models for other educators.

In its inaugural round, the program is designed to support five Course Hero-WW Fellows, awarding one-year, one-time fellowships of \$40,000. All Fellows will be invited to engage and collaborate with Course Hero's online learning library and its growing community of students and educators. Selectors for the program (to date) include faculty from a range of disciplines who embody both leadership in research and scholarship and excellence in teaching.

"Course Hero envisions a world where every student graduates, confident and prepared," Grauer said. "And it's hard to overstate the critical, foundational and inspiring role educators play in making that a reality. We are thrilled to support and partner with educational leaders through this fellowship that recognizes and rewards excellence in teaching."

Applications for 2018 Fellows are due April 30. For more information on the Course Hero-WW Fellowship, please visit www.woodrow.org/fellowships/coursehero.

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About Course Hero

Course Hero is an online learning library fueled by our global community of over 20 million students and educators. We help students quickly find the right study resources for their specific courses—including class notes, 24/7 tutors, study-guides, practice problems, and step-by-step explanations—so they can learn deeply and tackle any assignment or exam with confidence. Course Hero has been recognized as one of the [2017 Technology Fast 500](#) by Deloitte, and as the [Best Educational App of 2017](#) by MobileVillage. Learn more at www.coursehero.com.

About the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation

Founded in 1945, the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (www.woodrow.org) identifies and develops the nation's best minds to meet its most critical challenges. The Foundation supports its Fellows as the next generation of leaders shaping American society.