On her first day at Central, Heide Brandes met a kind professor who took time to stop a wandering journalism student and introduce himself. That same professor would later memorably challenge her class to “show, don’t tell” by describing a rock without using the word “rock.”

That was the beginning of a mentorship with Dr. Terry Clark that endures today. At Central, our class sizes allow professors to put teaching first. Students develop personal relationships with our faculty and staff, who commit each day to transforming lives.

“I would not be where I am today without the lessons I learned from him or the support I continue to receive. It was his recommendation to The Wall Street Journal that’s led to me becoming a writer for a national news service. He’s a teacher and a friend.”

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