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 **TODAY'S "QUICK HIT":**  
**PROFESSORS AND**  
**INDOCTRINATION:**  
**YOU ARE PROOF OF**  
**THE ACCUSATIONS!**

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*Here's what provoked me:*

*I read a letter from a professor which adamantly defended teachers and denied that education has become, in some instances, liberal indoctrination. When I finished reading it, I realized he had actually enhanced the argument supporting indoctrination. I decided to point that out.*

*Here's my response:*

**Professors and Indoctrination: You Are Proof of the Accusations!**

Professor Greg Wahl explains why professors are falsely maligned for indoctrinating students with liberal values ("Professors don't indoctrinate students" - February 25). He correctly states the ideal situation whereby "Professors teach students to question such cultural 'norms' in ways that respect students' abilities to make up their own minds.....Public universities don't indoctrinate students; they give them tools to understand the world around them."

That's an excellent statement which lays out an admirable goal. I agree with all of it. The Professor then goes on to list cultural characteristics and opinions that need examination and change.

Providing or developing tools for understanding and evaluating is teaching at its finest! Telling students which cultural ideas should be evaluated, and what the problems are is a "step over the line." Professor Wahl's letter gives us a pretty good example of the subtle drift from teaching to indoctrination. Did you notice it?

Thanks for making that point so clearly, Professor!