CONTENTS

Preface / ix
Acknowledgments / xv

Part One
Cultures of Writing: From Cornerstone to Capstone

Local Knowledges, Local Practices: An Introduction / 3
JONATHAN MONROE

TAs and the Teaching of Writing at Cornell:
A Historical Perspective / 22
KATHERINE GOTTSCAHLK

Writing without Friction / 41
KEITH HJORTSHOJ

Finding Places for Writing in a Research University:
A Director’s View / 62
HARRY E. SHAW

Part Two
Cultures and Acculturation:
Teaching, Writing, and Learning in Field-Specific Contexts

Animal Science
Writing Animals / 75
ELIZABETH OLENACO

Anthropology
Exoticizing the Familiar: Familiarizing the Exotic / 83
JANE FAJANS
“You Can Make a Difference”:
Human Rights as the Subject Matter for a First-Year Writing Seminar / 90
BILLIE JEAN ISBELL

Writing from (Field) Experience / 99
KATHRYN S. MARCH

City and Regional Planning
The Invisible City of Color, or “I Thought This Was a Course on Writing!” / 116
WILLIAM W. GOLDSMITH

Cognitive Science
Writing in Cognitive Science: Exploring the Life of the Mind / 127
MICHAEL J. SPIVEY

English
Freshman Rhetoric and Media Literacy / 140
PAUL SAWYER

Toward a Community of Inquiry: Teaching Cornell Advanced Placement Students / 155
DANIEL R. SCHWARZ

Government
Teaching Writing about International Relations / 165
MATTHEW EVANGELISTA

Writing Political Science: Asking a Question Then (Actually) Answering It / 171
MARY FAINSOD KATZENSTEIN

The Politics of Writing / 181
ROSE MCDERMOTT

Linguistics
Translation and Appropriation in Foreign Language and Writing Classrooms / 191
JOHN WHITMAN
Near Eastern Studies
Writing Religion at Cornell (Reflections of a Penitent Professor) / 201
ROSS BRANN

Neurobiology and Behavior
Teaching Behavioral Ecology through Writing / 209
PAUL W. SHERMAN

Philosophy
Cultivating Dialectical Imagination / 222
JENNIFER E. WHITING

Romance Studies
Writing (Not Drawing) a Blank / 232
MARILYN MIGIEL

Sociology
Writing as a Sociologist / 245
MICHAEL MACY

Afterword: Writing Writing / 251
JONATHAN MONROE

Notes / 277
References / 285
List of Contributors / 293
Index / 297