Microblogging Workshop—3/20

Microblogging, or writing online in short bursts, has become a powerful tool of communication. It can be harnessed as a low-stakes, high-return writing exercise as well as a means of conducting research and communicating directly with students. With so much inherent flexibility of the medium, the CTRE will be offering its final “Writing for Success” workshop for the year with:

**Microblogging: New Opportunities for Student Writing, Research, and Engagement**

Thursday, March 20
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
LIB 301

After participating in this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Create and use a Twitter account
- Search for relevant topics to their teaching via hashtags and participate in live Twitter “discussions”
- Assess “tweets” using a rubric

Attendees should bring their own digital devices (tablet, smart phone, or laptop) to set up a professional Twitter account and participate in the exercises.

To register for this workshop, contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or 773-995-2498.

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Save the Date for Special Faculty Events

Mark your calendars for two of this year’s biggest events: the Provost’s Colloquium and the Faculty Recognition Ceremony!

The Provost’s Colloquium is an opportunity for faculty who have received CTRE funding to share the excellent work that it enabled them to do. On display will be research projects, as well as conference presentations from around the world, and novel methods of engaging students in and out of the classroom. Work from a wide variety of fields.

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CTRE Writing Workshops

The CTRE is excited to help you explore writing in new ways and with fresh perspectives with its 2013-2014 faculty development theme, “Writing for Success.”

“Microblogging: A New Opportunity to Encourage Student Research, Writing, and Engagement”
with Dr. Cheryl Boncucio and Aurora Reinke
March 20, 2014
10:00-2:00 / LIB 301

This workshop will help you understand what microblogging is, and how it can be used to encourage regular, low-stakes writing, which has been shown to help students become more articulate, thoughtful, writers themselves. The format is at once engaging, enjoyable, and effective.

Lunch will be included with this workshop.

To register, contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or 773-995-2498. Visit bit.ly/csuvwrite to learn more about this and previous workshops in the Writing for Success series.

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and disciplines will be presented, making it a great opportunity to cross-pollenate ideas and discover possible collaborative efforts.

The Provost’s Colloquium will take place on Friday, March 28, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., beginning in the Library Sunroom.

The following month, CSU will once again be recognizing faculty for their accomplishments in teaching, research, and service at the Faculty Recognition Ceremony. This event will also be an opportunity to give a final farewell to faculty who will be retiring from CSU.

The Faculty Recognition Ceremony will take place on Friday, April 25 from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Library Auditorium.

If you have any questions or would like to attend either of these events, please contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or 773-994-2498.

Moodle Virtual Workshops

Whether you’re an online teaching veteran or tenderfoot, the CTRE has you covered this spring!

The CTRE will be offering virtual training sessions from now through April to help you increase your fluency with Moodle.

- March 12
  Uploading Assignments and Media
- March 26
  Blackboard Collaborate Overview
- April 9
  Course Design Based on the ION Rubric
- April 23
  Importing Existing Courses into New Shells

All sessions will take place from 12:30-1:30 p.m. via Blackboard Collaborate in the Instructors Resource Course in Moodle.

If you have questions about Moodle virtual training, contact Rochelle Johnson, Program Specialist, at rjohns30@csu.edu or 773-995-2456.