**CTRE Grant Applications Due 7/1**

The next round of CTRE grant applications will be due by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 1.

The CTRE grants program exists to enable faculty to take on a variety of endeavors, including conference participation, research projects, equipment purchases, student engagement, and more.

Grant applications can be scanned and submitted electronically in PDF form to ctre@csu.edu, or can be delivered in paper form to the CTRE in Library Room 318.

If you would like to learn more about the CTRE grants program, visit [www.csu.edu/ctre/grants](http://www.csu.edu/ctre/grants). There you will find information and application forms for each grant category, as well as scoring rubrics that are used to evaluate each application.

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**Online Certification Training (OCT) Begins 6/30**

The next section of Online Certification Training (OCT) will begin on June 30, 2014.

OCT is an eight-week online course designed to help prepare faculty to teach in an online setting. The following units are covered:

- What is Online Teaching?
- Best Practices
- Copyright and Fair Use
- ADA Web Accessibility
- Instructional Design Basics
- Building Course Content

Those who enroll in OCT can expect to spend approximately 3-5 hours per week with readings and assignments, which will include quizzes, discussion forums, and projects.

For the final project, participants will be required to complete two full modules of content for an online course. Rochelle Johnson will facilitate the section starting June 30. If you have any questions, call 773-995-2960.

[Click here](http://www.csu.edu) if you would like to register for the June 30 section of OCT.
CTRE Virtual Roundtable

The CTRE’s newest faculty development initiative, CTRE Virtual Roundtable, is offered as a convenient, user-friendly means of connecting with colleagues across campus to discuss issues and topics related to teaching.

Upcoming roundtables include:

“How Do I Make My Face-to-Face Course ‘Web-Enhanced’?”
June 23, 2014
10:30-11:30

“Assessing Students with E-Portfolios”
June 30, 2014
10:30-11:30

“Art of Teaching: Successful Teaching”
July 14, 2014
10:30-11:30

Each virtual roundtable will take place via Blackboard Collaborate. Links for each session can be found in the Instructors Resource Course in Moodle.

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

CTRE Faculty Symposium Series

As part of its 2014-2015 programming theme, the CTRE is pleased to announce:

CTRE Faculty Symposium Series

This series is an opportunity for faculty from across campus to share their scholarly work to an audience of their university peers and colleagues. All disciplines, topics and formats are welcome.

Symposia will take place throughout the academic year, starting in the summer of 2014.

If you are interested in being a presenter, please fill out this brief information form. You will be contacted shortly thereafter.

If you have questions about the CTRE Faculty Symposium Series, please contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or 773-995-2498.

SLOAN-C Open Call for Effective Practices

Do you have an effective practice focused on online learning? What technique, strategy, or practice has helped you in your online classroom? The Sloan-C community shares effective practices to help make quality online education accessible and affordable for anyone, anywhere, at any time. The winning submissions will be based on innovation, replicability, potential impact, supporting documentation, and scope.

All effective practices are peer reviewed to ensure quality and to give submitters documentation for tenure and promotion files.

Awards will be presented at the 20th Annual International Conference of Online Learning Awards Luncheon held in Orlando, Florida.

Click here to submit your effective practice with SLOAN-C.