CTRE Support in Fall 2014

The CTRE would like to wish all CSU students, faculty, and staff a rich, engaging, and fruitful fall semester.

In the coming weeks and months, be sure to take advantage of CTRE resources and opportunities. Here are just a few to keep in mind:

- **The CTRE Grants Program** exists to help fund innovative and effective practices in teaching, research, service, and scholarship in amounts from $1,000 to $15,000. Applications are reviewed quarterly throughout the year, with the next deadline being **September 1 by 5:00 p.m.** You can learn more and download application forms at [csu.edu/CTRE/grants.htm](http://csu.edu/CTRE/grants.htm).

- The **Faculty Symposium Series** is a new program that provides an opportunity for faculty to share their work in teaching, research, service, and beyond among a community of colleagues and students. See the back of this newsletter for more details.

- **Online Certification Training (OCT)** is an eight-week online training program designed to prepare faculty to

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### CSU Faculty Awarded $1.9M Grant

The CSU faculty members Dr. John Agada, Dr. Moussa Ayyash, and Dr. Gebeyehu Mulugeta were ranked 3rd out of 54 applications from U.S. institutions of higher learning. In preparation for their grant proposal, the application team were supported in part by a CTRE Faculty Development Seed Grant, designed to provide a stimulus to increase the number and amount of external grants. Congratulations to Drs. Agada, Ayyash, and Mulugeta!
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:

“Art of Teaching 6: The Teacher-Student Relationship”
August 25, 2014
10:30-11:30

“Art of Teaching 7: Dynamic Lecturing”
September 8, 2014
10:30-11:30

“Art of Teaching 8: Teaching with PowerPoint”
September 15, 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.

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Teach classes within CSU’s course management system, Moodle. OCT explores the theory behind effective instructional design, and provides scaffolded practice necessary to gain proficiency with Moodle’s user interface. The next start date for OCT is Monday, September 29, and will be taught by Ms. Rochelle Johnson. To learn more about OCT, visit csu.edu/CTRE/ facultysupport.htm#OCT.

In order to accommodate the busy schedules of faculty and staff, the CTRE also offers online professional development mini-courses. Online Teaching Excellence: Pedagogy and Andragogy is offered in two five-week segments, and is open to anyone looking to learn more about teaching theory. The next start date for OTE will be announced soon; in the meantime, you can learn more about it by visiting the CTRE website.

All faculty are also encouraged to get involved with the Faculty Resource Network, a 50-member consortium of universities through which CSU is able to take advantage of rigorous and engaging scholarship opportunities. Programs are offered throughout the year. Visit www.nyu.edu/frn to learn more.