Upcoming Events

Moodle Training: Organizing Your Grade Book
10/23 12:00-1:00 CSU-Instructors Course

“Rules to Live By for Optimal Learning in Online Education: Best Practices in Instructional Design” with Kathy O’Donoghue and Allyson Dickie
10/24 12:00-2:00 LIB 301 RSVP

Moodle Training: Organizing Your Grade Book
10/26 10:30-11:30 CSU-Instructors Course

Moodle Training: How to Help Your Students with Moodle
10/30 12:00-1:00 CSU-Instructors Course

Next Rounds of OCT Starting Soon

Faculty wishing to take the CTRE’s Online Certification Training course will be pleased to learn that four sections will be starting soon. Two will begin on November 5, one on December 5, and one on December 10; all sections will follow the same eight-week course progression.

OCT is a completely online training course that prepares faculty to teach with Moodle. It covers the following topics:

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

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APPEALING APPS & SITES

Site: SlideShare
Price: Freemium

Share presentation slides, PDFs, videos, webinars, and more with SlideShare. It’s a great way to bring learning materials to your students in an easy-to-use, online format.

Flipping the Classroom

On November 28 and 29th, the CTRE will be hosting a two-day event on flipping the classroom as part of its “Building the Learning Community” series of events.

On 11/28, Michael Garver and Brian Roberts of Central Michigan University will come to do an all-day workshop, laying the groundwork for what it means to flip the classroom, what its benefits are, how it has worked for them, and how you can tailor it to work for you.

On 11/29, a representative from TechSmith will come to the CTRE for a half-day of demonstrations of technologies you can use to flip your own classrooms.

Watch future newsletters for updates on this exciting event. Contact James Kowalski with any questions at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.
Faculty Workshop

On Wednesday, October 24, there will be a faculty workshop in the CTRE:

“Rules to Live By for Optimal Learning in Online Education: Best Practices in Instructional Design”

This workshop will provide a practical, hands-on experience for those designing online courses, taking into consideration the following areas:

- basic and standard design of courses;
- utilization of rubrics for course alignment and assessment;
- engaging active student learning; and
- where to start in improving existing courses.

If you plan on attending this workshop, please bring a laptop with you. If you do not have a laptop, the CTRE will do its best to provide you with one for the duration of the workshop.

The workshop facilitators will be Kathleen O’Donoghue and Allyson Dickie of North Park University, Chicago.

This workshop will take place on Wednesday, October 24 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. in LIB 301. To register, please contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.

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If you are not comfortable navigating the internet, using email, uploading/downloading, or using MS Office, you are strongly encouraged to take a basic computer skills course before enrolling in OCT. Instructors will assume a working knowledge of these skills for all registrants.

Any faculty member wishing to teach online must successfully complete Online Certification Training, as stipulated in Section G of the CSU 2010-2015 Contract.

If you wish to register for OCT, click below on the class that best suits your schedule.

- Beginning 11/5 with S. Ratliff
- Beginning 11/5 with J. Kowalski
- Beginning 12/5 with R. Johnson
- Beginning 12/10 with M. Sukowski

If you have any questions about Online Certification Training, contact Sonya Ratliff at sratliff@csu.edu or x12508.

20-Minute Mentor

The CTRE recently acquired two “20 Minute Mentor” programs from Magna Publications:

- How Do I Create Engaging Threaded Discussion Questions?
- Learner-Centered Teaching—Where Should I Start?

Each program disc contains PowerPoint slides, supplemental materials, and transcripts. To check one out, contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.

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