Bring Your Teaching to the Next Level with The Teaching Professor

We in the CTRE are always looking for resources to help faculty do what they do best! With that in mind, we are thrilled to offer you The Teaching Professor, a lively, practical newsletter filled with insight and tips for passionate educators like you.

For over 25 years, The Teaching Professor has been edited by Maryellen Weimer, Ph.D., Professor Emerita of Teaching and Learning, and author of many articles and books.

The Teaching Professor is published 10 times throughout the year, and addresses such topics as the latest pedagogical research, obstacles to effective teaching, honing skills and staying on top of technology, and “teaching in the trenches.”

If you would like to access The Teaching Professor, simply email us and you will receive a personal login.

CTRE to Open Knowledge Production Zone

The CTRE is gearing up to make the much-anticipated Knowledge Production Zone a reality for the CSU community.

The KPZ will feature technologies and resources that are at once powerful, flexible, and easily accessible.

The philosophy behind the KPZ is to create a space that facilitates not simply the absorption of information, but the creation of ideas, understandings, and new knowledge. Faculty will be able to use it as a space to work independently or with other faculty, to bring their classes, or to work one-on-one with students—all using the latest technology, including a smartboard, Mac lab, and more.

Watch for details of the opening of the Knowledge Production Zone in future CTRE newsletters.

Upcoming Events

Faculty Resource 1/24
Network (FRN) 1:00-2:00
Info Session LIB 301
RSVP

Faculty Resource 1/29
Network (FRN) 4:00-5:00
Info Session LIB 301
RSVP

Faculty Resource 1/30
Network (FRN) 1:00-2:00
Info Session LIB 301
RSVP

“What’s Wrong with Wikipedia?” 1/31
12:00-12:30
Faculty Webinar LIB 318
RSVP

Technology Speed Dating 2/14
9:00-12:00
LIB 318
RSVP

APPEALING APPS & SITES

App: PBS Video
Price: FREE!

The PBS Video app contains a wealth of educational programming that you and your students can enjoy, from Frontline to Nova to Newshour and more!

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Looking Forward

Technology Speed Dating

The CTRE wants to help you fall in love with some new learning technologies this Valentine’s Day with Technology Speed Dating!

The event will proceed much like actual speed dating:

1) Upon arrival, you are given a “dating card,” which you fill out based on your idea of the ideal technology.
2) The cards are examined by our team of dating experts and you are paired up with four technology dating stations.

3) Each dating station provides you with a quick overview of a given technology.

4) Afterwards, you can brainstorm with the CTRE and other faculty on what technologies you liked, and how you can bring them into your own teaching.

The technologies available for dating will be Prezi, Elluminate, Google Docs, social media (Edmodo, Twitter, and Facebook), Audacity, clickers/Poll Everywhere, and MS Office.

Technology Speed Dating will take place on Thursday, February 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in LIB 318. To register, contact James Kowalski at jkowalski@csu.edu or 773-995-2498.

Breakfast will be served.

Save the Date!

On Wednesday, March 20, the CTRE will be hosting its third Building the Learning Community event as it welcomes Kathy Schrock.

A nationally recognized speaker with over 100 major engagements to date, Ms. Schrock will present a full day of development workshops for faculty.

Watch future CTRE newsletters for updates.

Get Involved with the Faculty Resource Network!

Did you know that over 60 members of the CSU community have participated in the Faculty Resource Network (FRN)? What are you waiting for!

FRN is a professional development consortium led by New York University, and has programs running year-round for faculty to take part in. These include consortia, intensive seminars, and scholar-in-residence opportunities that provide all the vast resources of NYU and the city of New York.

If you would like to know more about FRN’s exciting and enriching program offerings, stop by the CTRE this month for one of three info sessions (all in LIB 301):

- **Thursday, January 24 from 1:00-2:00**
- **Tuesday, January 29 from 4:00-5:00**
- **Wednesday, January 30 from 1:00-2:00**

Important deadlines are approaching soon, so don’t delay! All interested faculty are welcome to attend. RSVP to James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.