

Upcoming Events

“CTRE Virtual Roundtable: What Are Learning Objectives?”

3/17
10:30-11:30
Online via
[IRTC](#)

“How Should I Respond to Wrong (or Not Very Good) Answers?”
Tuesday Morning Mentor

3/18
10:30-11:30
LIB 318

“Microblogging: New Opportunities for Student Writing, Research, and Engagement” with Dr. Cheryl Boncuore & Prof. Aurora Reinke

3/20
10:00-2:00
LIB 301

[Click here to register for an event.](#)

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GetEdFunding is a free grant finding resource, dedicated to helping educators and institutions identify the funding they need in budget-tight times. GetEdFunding hosts a collection of more than 2,000 grants and opportunities.

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.



CTRE Virtual Roundtable

Today, the CTRE will be piloting a new faculty development initiative aimed at providing useful information in an accessible way.

CTRE Virtual Roundtable sessions will offer topics for faculty to learn about and discuss in order to help grow as educators. Best practices and emerging trends will be discussed in a way that encourages application in teaching, research, and service.

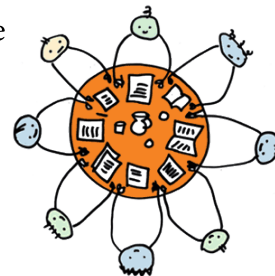
The first Virtual Roundtable will take place today, **March 17 from 10:30 to**

11:30, with the topic, “What are Learning Objectives?” This session will be accessible virtually via Blackboard Collaborate in the [Instructors Resource Course](#) in Moodle.

All levels of experience and expertise on the topic are welcome.

Future topics will include “Classroom Management Best Practices” on March 24 and “Strengthen Your Syllabus” on March 31.

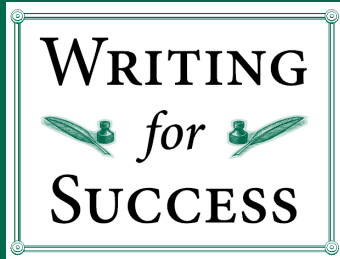
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Looking Forward

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 Boncuore 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/csuwite to learn more about this and previous workshops in the Writing for Success series.

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 showcase their scholarly work, and will take place on **Friday, March 28, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., beginning in the Library Sunroom.**

The Faculty Recognition Ceremony will honor and celebrate a variety of faculty achievements from over the past year, and will take place on **Fri-**

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day, 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 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 Resources Course](#) in Moodle. These virtual sessions allow participants to log in from any computer with an internet connection.

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

