

## Upcoming Events

**4/7**  
10:30-11:30  
Online via  
CTRE Virtual  
Roundtable  
[Instructors  
Resource  
Course](#)

**4/8**  
10:30-11:30  
LIB 318  
“How Can I Increase  
Document Sharing  
Among Students?”  
Tuesday Morning  
Mentor

**4/25**  
12:00-3:00  
LIB  
Auditorium  
Faculty Recognition  
Ceremony

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

## Chicago Symposium—4/12

There is still time to register for “Chicago Symposium Series Excellence in Teaching Mathematics and Science: Research and Practice” which will take place at Northwestern University’s Evanston campus on April 12, 2014.

The two plenary speakers will be Glenn Stevens, Professor of Mathematics at Boston University, and Richard Moog, Professor of Chemistry at Franklin & Marshall College.

Both speakers will provide some hands-on experiences with their respective programs in breakout sessions.

There will also be seven breakout sessions to choose from, covering a variety of topics related to teaching STEM-related disciplines.

For more information about this symposium or to register, please visit [www.math.uic.edu/chicagosymposium](http://www.math.uic.edu/chicagosymposium). You can also email Bonnie Saunders at [chi-symp@math.uic.edu](mailto:chi-symp@math.uic.edu).



## Slew of SLOAN-C News

This year, the Sloan Consortium (Sloan-C), will be hosting its **20th Annual International Conference on Online Learning on October 29-31 in Orlando, FL**. One of the largest such conferences in the world, the theme for 2014 will be “Driving Innovation with Online Learning.”

Presentation proposals are being accepted now through May 5, and can be submitted under one of seven different tracks. To learn more

about the proposal process, [click here](#).

Early bird rates for registration are available through August 29. For more information about the registration process or other details regarding this conference, visit its [homepage](#).

Also, Sloan-C’s flagship publication, *The Journal of Asynchronous Learning Networks* (JALN), recently announced that it is enhancing its focus with a

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Site: [SurveyMethods](#)

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powerful online survey program? Consider taking a look at SurveyMethods, which has a number of formatting options and security features that alternatives like SurveyMonkey do not.



20th ANNUAL SLOAN CONSORTIUM  
International Conference on Online Learning

# Looking Forward

## 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:

"Finding Teaching Resources"

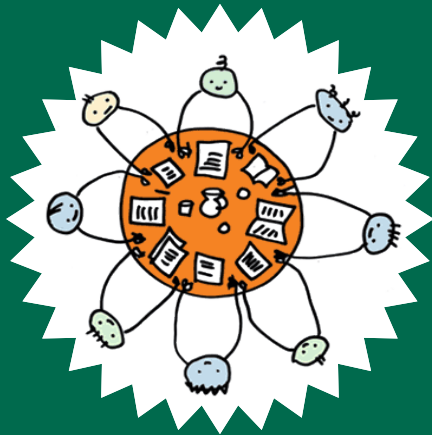
April 7, 2014  
10:30-11:30

"Working with Shy Students"

April 21, 2014  
10:30-11:30

"Discover Wikis!"

April 28, 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](mailto:jkowalsk@csu.edu) or 773-995-2498.

## Slew of Sloan-C News

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newly articulated vision, mission, and expanded topics and themes of interest. The journal promotes "the development and dissemination of new knowledge at the intersection of pedagogy, emerging technology, policy, and practice in online and blended environments." Sloan-C invites all those who are interested in submitting high-quality manuscripts for blind peer-review to do so. [Click here](#) to learn more about how to submit a paper.

Finally, Sloan-C is currently accepting nominations for its 2014 Awards for Excellence in Online Teaching and Learning,

which will be presented at the 20th Annual International Conference on Online Learning. There are 8 award categories, which you can learn more about on the [Sloan-C website](#). Nominations are due by July 15, 2014.

Sloan-C is a "leading professional online learning society devoted to advancing quality e-learning into the mainstream of education through its community."



## 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.

- 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, at [rjohns30@csu.edu](mailto:rjohns30@csu.edu) or 773-995-2456.

More sessions will be offered in the future. If you have a special request for a topic, email [elarning@csu.edu](mailto:elarning@csu.edu).

