

## Upcoming Events

## OCT Starting Monday 5/12

CTRE Virtual  
Roundtable:  
Needs Assessment 5/5  
10:30-11:30  
[Online via IRTC](#)

“How Can Back-  
ward Design Make  
My Course More  
Accessible?” 5/6  
10:30-11:30  
Tuesday Morning  
Mentor LIB 318

Online Certification  
Training (OCT) 5/12  
Begins 8 weeks  
via Moodle

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

There's still time to register for the next section of Online Certification Training (OCT), which will begin on **Monday, May 12.**

OCT is the university's training course that prepares CSU faculty to teach in an online setting. The following topics are covered:

- What is Online Teaching?
- Best Practices

- ADA Web Accessibility
- Copyright, Fair Use, and the TEACH Act
- Instructional Design Basics
- Building Your Online Course

James Kowalski will be the facilitator. If you have questions about OCT, contact him at [jkowalsk@csu.edu](mailto:jkowalsk@csu.edu).

[Click here to register for OCT.](#)

## CTRE Faculty Seminar Series

As part of its 2014-2015 programming theme, the CTRE is pleased to announce:

### *The CTRE Faculty Seminar Series*

This series is an opportunity for fac-

ulty from across campus to share their scholarly work to an audience of their university peers and colleagues. All disciplines, topics and formats are welcome.

Seminars 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 Seminar Series, please contact James Kowalski at [jkowalsk@csu.edu](mailto:jkowalsk@csu.edu) or 773-995-2498.



## { APPEALING APPS & SITES }

Site: [Dr. Henson's Facebook Page](#)

Price: FREE!

Dr. Kenneth Henson, who facilitated two grantwriting workshops last fall, recently created a Facebook page to keep you informed of grantwriting tips and resources.



# 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.

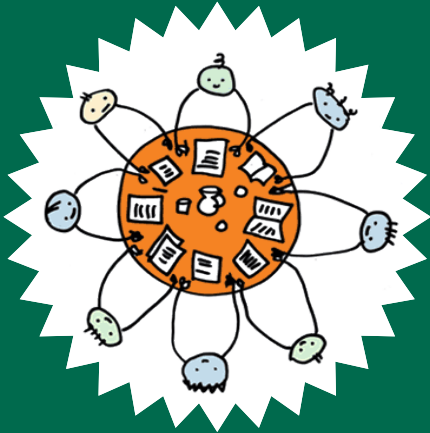
Upcoming roundtables include:

### "Needs Assessment for CSU Faculty"

May 5, 2014  
10:30-11:30

### "Be a PowerPoint Power User"

May 12, 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.

## CTRE Grant Applications Due 7/1

If you are planning to submit a CTRE Grant application for the July 1 deadline but will be off-campus during the summer, be sure to complete all the necessary paperwork before you go!

You can find information and downloadable application forms on the [CTRE website's grants page](#).



# Conference on Innovative Pedagogy

The [13th Annual Center for Academic Excellence Conference on Innovative Pedagogy and Course Redesign](#) will take place May 29-30 at Fairfield University in Fairfield, CT.

This conference, organized by Fairfield University's Center for Academic Excellence, celebrates and showcases excellence and innovations in all areas of teaching, faculty support and development, the scholarship of teaching and learning, and community-engaged teaching and scholarship. It is an opportunity to learn, build connections, and reflect upon the meaningfulness of education.



In conjunction with this event, the E3 Conference on Engagement, Empowerment, and E-Learning will take place on May 28 as a one-day, pre-conference event. Sponsored by the Connecticut

Distance Learning Consortium (CTDLC), it will focus on instructional design, faculty development, mobile learning, student success and learner support, and assessment.

The main conference registration is \$300 for individuals, and \$75 for the additional pre-conference event. There is a discounted rate for groups of two or more, and on-campus housing is available for those who are interested.

If you would like to learn more about this conference, view schedule and speaker information, or register, visit the [conference website](#).

