

Upcoming Events

“How Can I Enhance
My Class Using
Story, Popular
Media, and Objects?”
7/22
10:30-11:30
LIB 318

Faculty Resource
Network
Information Session
7/24
1:00-2:00
LIB 301

Art of Teaching 3:
Starting Out Right
7/28
10:30-11:30
Online via [IRTC](#)

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

Obama Presidential Library Petition

Please see below for an important message from the CSU Barack Obama Presidential Library and Archives Planning Committee:

President Barack Obama is in the midst of deciding where to locate the Barack Obama Presidential Library and Archives. We believe that Chicago State University is the perfect location. This website details our proposal and rationale for placement of the library on our beautiful campus located in one of the communities where President Obama began his community organizing efforts, which helped to launch his political career.



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Next OCT Course Begins 8/18

The next section of **Online Certification Training (OCT)** will begin on **August 18, 2014**.

OCT is the university's eight-week training program that prepares faculty to teach online. It helps instructors understand what online learning is, how to prepare their course content for an online environment, and what the best practices are for online course development and teaching. It also explores such areas as instructional design, ADA web accessibility guidelines, and internet copyright and fair use. OCT is meant to provide an introductory overview

of these topics, and to prepare faculty to meet the requirements of the [Illinois Online Network Quality Online Course Initiative \(QOCI\)](#) rubric that is used by CSU's [Distance Education Committee](#) to review online courses.

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OCT takes place completely online via Moodle. Those who successfully meet all of its requirements will be presented with a certificate of completion.

[Click here to register for the August 18 section of OCT.](#)

{ APPEALING APPS & SITES }

App: [Evernote](#)
Cost: FREE!



One of the most popular note-taking and organizational apps ever, Evernote makes it easy to remember things big and small from your everyday life, using your computer, tablet, phone, and the web.

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:

"Art of Teaching 2:
Broad Range of Learners"

July 21, 2014
10:30-11:30

"Art of Teaching 3: Starting Out Right"

July 28, 2014
10:30-11:30

"Art of Teaching 4: The Teacher's Persona"

August 4, 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 or 773-995-2498.

CTRE Faculty Symposium Series

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

If you have questions about the CTRE Faculty Symposium Series, please contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or 773-995-2498.

CTRE Faculty Symposium Series

This series is an opportunity for faculty from across campus to share their scholarly work to an audience of their university peers and colleagues. All disciplines, topics and formats are welcome.

Symposia 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.



Obama Library

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We welcome your input! Please leave a comment under the [Share your Support](#) page detailing what The Barack Obama Presidential Library at Chicago State University on the Far South Side will mean to you and or how it will impact the community.

You can lend your individual support by [signing a petition](#) to bring the library to Chicago's Far South Side. There are currently 190 signatures.



You can also share your support on social media with hashtag [#ObamaPres-LIBatCSU](#).

To learn more about CSU's bid to attract the Barack Obama Presidential Library and Archives, visit the planning committee's website by [clicking here](#). There you can find the committee's plans, rationale, and additional media.