

#### C T R EWEEK

OCTOBER 21-27, 2012

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY

### **Upcoming Events**

Moodle Training: Organizing Your Grade Book

10/23 12:00-1:00 **CSU-Instructors** Course

"Rules to Live By for Optimal Learning in Online Education: Best Practices in Instructional Design" with Kathy O'Donoghue and Allyson Dickie

10/24 12:00-2:00 LIB 301 **RSVP** 

Moodle Training: Organizing Your Grade Book

10/26 10:30-11:30 **CSU-Instructors** Course

Moodle Training: How to Help Your Students with Moodle

10/30 12:00-1:00 **CSU-Instructors** Course

### Faculty wishing to take the CTRE's teach with Moodle. It covers the

Next Rounds of OCT Starting Soon

Online Certification Training course will be pleased to learn that four sections will be starting soon. Two will begin on November 5, one on December 5, and one on December 10; all sections will follow the same eight-week course progression.

OCT is a completely online train-

following topics:

- What is Online Learning?
- Best Practices
- ADA Web Accessibility
- Instructional Design Basics
- Building Course Content
- Copyright and Fair Use

Unline Certification Training Center for Teaching and Research Excellence • Moodle Grade Book

Faculty will also be required to use online tools such as

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## APPEALING APPS & SITES

Site: SlideShare Price: Freemium

Share presentation slides, PDFs, videos, webinars, and more with SlideShare. It's a great way to bring learning materials to your students in an easy-to-use, online format.



## Flipping the Classroom

On November 28 and 29th, the CTRE will be hosting a two-day event on flipping the classroom as part of its "Building the Learning Community" series of events.

ing course that prepares faculty to

On 11/28, Michael Garver and Brian Roberts of Central Michigan University will come to do an allday workshop, laying the groundwork for what it means to flip the classroom, what its benefits are, how it has worked for them, and how you can tailor it to work for you.

On 11/29, a representative

from TechSmith will come to the CTRE for a half-day of demonstrations of technologies you can use to flip your own classrooms.

Watch future newsletters for updates on this exciting event. Contact James Kowalski with any questions at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.



# Looking Forward

## Faculty Workshop

On Wednesday, October 24, there will be a faculty workshop in the CTRE:

"Rules to Live By for Optimal Learning in Online Education: Best Practices in Instructional Design"

This workshop will provide a practical, hands-on experience for those designing online courses, taking into consideration the following areas:



- basic and standard design of courses;
- utilization of rubrics for course alignment and assessment;
- engaging active student learning; and
- where to start in improving existing courses.

If you plan on attending this workshop, please bring a laptop with you. If you do not have a laptop, the CTRE will do its best to provide you with one for the duration of the workshop.

The workshop facilitators will be Kathleen O'Donoghue and Allyson Dickie of North Park University, Chicago.

This workshop will take place on **Wednesday, October 24 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. in LIB 301**. To register, please contact James Kowalski at <u>ikowalsk@csu.edu</u> or x2498.

### Scheinbuks Lecture

On Tuesday, October 23, the Department of Biological Sciences will be presenting, "The Influence of Conscious and Nonconscious Memory on Everyday Living" with Dr. Paul Reber of Northwestern University's Department of Psychology.

This lecture will take place on 10/23 at 12:30 in the Library Auditorium, and a reception will follow.

For more information, contact the Department of Biological Sciences at 773-995-2183.



## OCT Starting Soon

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Jing and Elluminate, and to partially build an online course that they will use in the future.

If you are not comfortable navigating the internet, using email, uploading/downloading, or using MS Office, you are strongly encouraged to take a basic computer skills course before enrolling in OCT. Instructors will assume a working knowledge of these skills for all registrants.

Any faculty member wishing to teach online must successfully com-

plete Online Certification Training, as stipulated in Section G of the CSU 2010-2015 Contract.

If you wish to register for OCT, click below on the class that best suits your schedule.

Beginning 11/5 with S. Ratliff

Beginning 11/5 with J. Kowalski

Beginning 12/5 with R. Johnson

Beginning 12/10 with M. Sukowski

If you have any questions about Online Certification Training, contact Sonya Ratliff at <a href="mailto:sratliff@csu.edu">sratliff@csu.edu</a> or x12508.

### 20-Minute Mentor

The CTRE recently acquired two "20 Minute Mentor" programs from Magna Publications:

• How Do I Create Engaging

AO Years MAGNA Threaded Discussion Questions?

• Learner-Centered Teaching—

Where Should I Start?

Each program disc contains Power-Point slides, supplemental materials, and transcripts. To check one out, contact James Kowalski at <a href="mailto:ikowalsk@csu.edu">ikowalsk@csu.edu</a> or x2498.