

Upcoming Events

Moodle 2.3 Upgrade Training (throughout summer)	M, T, F (Visit CTRE Website for details)
“The Plagiarism-Proof Thesis”	7/16 10:30-11:30 LIB 318
“Six Presentation Alternatives for the PowerPoint-Weary”	7/16 1:30-3:00 LIB 301 7/18 10:00-11:30 1:00-2:30 LIB 301
“It’s Easier Than You Think!: Build a Website to Enhance Learning”	7/23 1:30-3:00 7/24 10:30-12:00 1:30-3:00

On-Demand Faculty Development

The CTRE is pleased to announce a new resource for the CSU community: [20 Minute Mentor Commons](#).

Each 20-minute program offers practical advice based in sound educational theory, and includes down-

20 Minute Mentor Commons

The Commons provides online, on-demand access to over 70 faculty development programs specifically for higher education. Topics include:

- Teaching and learning
- Classroom management
- Online teaching
- Assessment and learning goals
- Service learning
- Student engagement
- Physical, mental, and emotional health

loadable PowerPoint handouts and transcriptions.

The Commons can be accessed from any computer with an internet connection, whether on or off campus.

To create a Commons account, visit:

www.csu.edu/ctre/commons

To learn more about 20 Minute Mentor Commons, and to see a full listing of available programs visit:

www.mentorcommons.com

APPEALING APPS & SITES

Site: [MIT OpenCourseWare](#)

Price: FREE

MIT OpenCourseWare (OCW) is a web-based publication of virtually all MIT course content. OCW is free, open, and available for the world to use.



Moodle Upgrade in August

This August, Chicago State University will be upgrading from Moodle 1.9 to Moodle 2.3.

The upgrade will afford students and faculty greater ease of use, flexibility, and functionality.

Training

In preparation for the upgrade, the CTRE will be facilitating hands-on training sessions for faculty throughout the summer (see [web-](#)



[site](#) for details). Student training will begin August 26.

Transfer Process

Courses will not automatically be

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Looking Forward

CTRE Summer Workshops

*Looking to recharge your teaching batteries?
Energize yourself and discover some great tools and ideas in the CTRE!*



“Six Presentation Alternatives for the PowerPoint-Weary”

July 16 (1:30-3:00)

July 18 (10:00-11:30 & 1:00-2:30)

“It’s Easier Than You Think!:

Build a Website to Enhance Learning”

July 23 (1:30-3:00)

July 24 (10:30-12:00 & 1:30-3:00)

“The What, Why, and How of Rubrics”

July 30 (1:30-3:00)

July 31 (10:30-12:00 & 1:30-3:00)

“Mind Mapping Tools to Optimize Brainstorming and Collaboration”

August 6 (1:30-3:00)

August 7 (10:30-12:00 & 1:30-3:00)

All workshops will take place in LIB 301.

To register, contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or 773-995-2498.

Grant Proposal Expert Feedback

On October 15 and 16, [Dr. Kenneth Henson](#) will facilitate two identical workshops titled, “Writing Grant Proposals.”

As a special offer for attendees, Dr. Henson has graciously agreed to review drafts of any grant proposals being worked on, and offer individualized suggestions for improving them.

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The deadline to participate in this offer is **September 15**. To learn more, [click here](#).

You can also learn about the other exciting writing workshops planned for 2013-2014 at: www.csu.edu/ctre/writing.htm

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transferred in this upgrade; it will be up to faculty to complete a [Course Transfer Request](#) form.

Faculty will have access to the current version of Moodle (1.9) through August 31. After that time, only Moodle 2.3 will be supported, though old courses from

1.9 will be archived.

More Information

Announcements about the upgrade to Moodle 2.3 will be made throughout the summer. You can learn more about Moodle 2.3’s features by watching [this introductory video](#) and reading about it in [Moodle Docs](#). If you have further questions, you are also welcome to call the CTRE at 773-995-2960 or email clearning@csu.edu.

The CTRE looks forward to working with everyone at CSU to make this conversion as seamless as possible.

