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THIS WEEK IN THE CTRE

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JULY 21-27, 2013

CENTER FOR TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Upcoming Events

Moodle 2.3 Upgrade Training (throughout summer)	M, T, F (Visit <u>CTRE</u> <u>Website</u> for details)
"Why Do Students Plagiarize?: The Cultural Con- texts of Cheating"	7/23 10:30-11:30 LIB 318
"It's Easier Than You Think!: Build a Website to Enhance Learning"	7/23 1:30-3:00 LIB 301 7/24 10:30-12:00 1:30-3:00 LIB 301
"Exploring the Disconnect Between Morals and Behavior"	7/30 10:30-11:30 LIB 318

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"A new online standard to recognize and verify learning," Open Badges provides recognition for training, online learning, volunteering, and more.

Learn more at openbadges.org.

Fulbright Scholar Program Deadline August 1

The Fulbright Scholar Program offers U.S. faculty, administrators and professionals grants to lecture, conduct research in a wide va-

riety of academic and professional fields, or to participate in seminars.

The application deadline for the core Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program for academic year 2014-2015 is rapidly approaching—10:59 p.m. Central Daylight Time, Wednesday, August 1, 2013.

Fulbright opportunities exist all around the globe. This year the competition includes 580 awards in 6 regional and 133 country programs.

The awards are both disciplinespecific and "All Discipline," including virtually every specialization. Approximately 800 grants will result from this competition.

The Fulbright Catalog of Awards and applications are accessible only at the <u>CIES website</u>.

A number of helpful webinars about finding awards and completing the application are also available at: www.cies.org/Webinar/#Archive.*

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.



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



<u>site</u> 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!



"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)

<u>"The What, Why, and How of Rubrics"</u>
July 30 (1:30-3:00)
July 31 (10:30-12:00 & 1:30-3:00)

<u>"Mind Mapping Tools to Optimize Brainstorming and Collaboration"</u>
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.

PLUS: There will be information sessions for the Faculty Resource Network on September 3 and 4. <u>Click here</u> for times and dates.

On-Demand Faculty Development

The CTRE is pleased to announce a new resource for the CSU community: 20 Minute Mentor Commons.

The Commons provides online, ondemand access to over 70 faculty development programs specifically for higher education



for higher education. Topics include:

- Teaching and learning
- Classroom management
- Online teaching
- Assessment and learning goals
- ...and more!

Each 20-minute program offers practical advice based in sound educational theory, and includes downloadable PowerPoint handouts and transcriptions.

To create a Commons account, visit:

www.csu.edu/ctre/commons

Call for **Proposals**

On October 9-11, the 2013 SLATE Conference and the Midwest Moodle Moot will be joining forces for allied conference on online learning at the Northern Illinois University's Naperville campus.

Both conferences are currently accepting workshop proposals. You can learn more by visiting:

<u>www.slategroup.org/conference</u> or <u>www.learningcontexts.com/midwestmoot</u>

You can register for one or both conferences. Registration is available online through 9/30.



Moodle Upgrade in August

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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

7.3

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 wel-

come to call the CTRE at 773-995-2960 or email elearning@csu.edu.

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