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THIS WEEK IN THE CTRE

AUGUST 18—24, 2013

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Upcoming Events

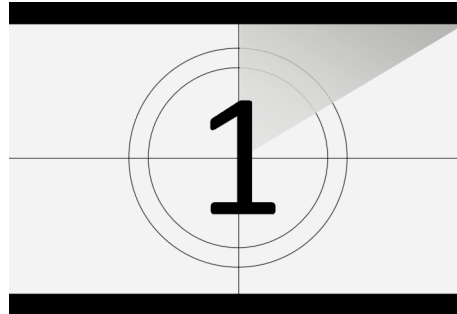|	
Moodle 2.3 Upgrade Training (throughout summer)	M, T, F (Visit CTRE Website for details)
New Faculty Orientation (Full-Time Faculty)	8/21-8/23 9:00-4:00 LIB 301
New Faculty Orientation (Adjunct Faculty)	8/24 9:00-4:00 LIB 301
Faculty Resource Network (FRN) Info Session	8/29, 9/3, 9/4 10:30-11:30 & 12:30-1:30 LIB 318
Online Certification Training Begins	9/8 Click here to enroll
"Academic Writing from Research to Publication" All-Day Workshop	9/12 9:00-3:00 LIB 301

One Week to Fall Semester

As you head into the final week before the fall semester, remember that the CTRE is here to help you achieve your endeavors at CSU, be they in teaching, research, or beyond.

Always feel free to reach out to our staff by phone (773-995-2960) or email (ctre@csu.edu) to schedule an appointment.

New Faculty Orientation

Kindly note that New Faculty Orientation for full-time faculty will take place this week on **August 21-23**.

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY
New Faculty Orientation
Welcome

New Faculty Orientation for adjunct faculty will take place on **August 24**.

Both events will be held in the

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CTRE Grant Applications Due 9/1

The next round of CTRE grant applications are due by **Sunday, September 1 at 5:00 p.m.**

You can find information on how to apply for a CTRE grant and download application forms at www.csu.edu/ctre/grants.htm.
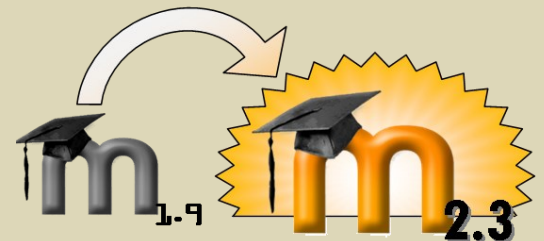
Moodle Upgrade on August 26!

On August 26, Chicago State University will upgrade 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 is facilitating training sessions for faculty throughout the summer (see website for details). Student training will begin August 26.

Transfer Process

Courses will <u>not</u> automatically be transferred in this upgrade; it will be up to faculty to either transfer courses themselves, or request assistance from the CTRE. To learn more about these options, visit the
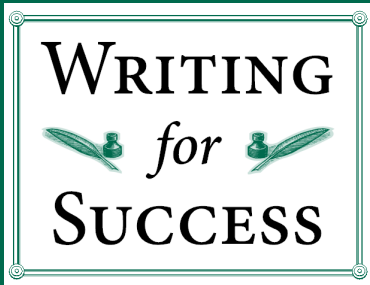
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Looking *Forward*

CTRE Writing Workshops

This fall, the CTRE is excited to help you explore writing in new ways and with fresh perspectives with its 2013-2014 faculty development theme, "Writing for Success."

WRITING
for
SUCCESS

Visit bit.ly/csuwrite to learn more about these and other workshops in the Writing for Success series.

"*Academic Writing from Research to Publication*"
with Drs. Sonja Foss and William Waters
September 12, 2013
9:00-3:00 / LIB 301

"*Grant Writing Workshops*"
with Dr. Kenneth Henson
October 15 & 16, 2013
10:00-2:00 / LIB 301
(NOTE: Both dates cover same topics; choose one.)

"*Writing Across the Curriculum*"
with Dr. Christopher Anson
November 14, 2013
Time TBA / LIB 301

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

New Faculty Orientation

CTRE's **room 301** and help new faculty members prepare for classes, meet their peers, discover the resources available to them, and become familiar with CSU policies.

All current CSU faculty are welcome to come meet our new faculty. Programming will take place between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. each day. All are especially welcome to stop by during lunch at 12:15.

If you have any questions regarding New Faculty Orientation, contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.

Please join the CTRE in welcoming our new faculty to Chicago State University.

Online Certification Training Begins 9/8

On **September 8**, a new section of Online Certification Training (OCT) will begin.

OCT is an eight-week, completely online course that prepares CSU instructors to teach online.

Online Certification Training
Center for Teaching and Research Excellence

Upon successfully meeting all of the requirements of OCT, instructors will receive a certificate of completion. You can learn more at:
www.csu.edu/CTRE/facultysupport.htm
To enroll in OCT, email ctre@csu.edu or call 773-995-2960.

Moodle Upgrade on August 26!

CTRE's Moodle Support page.

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, and old courses from 1.9 will be archived.

Try It Out

All fall 2013 course shells have been uploaded into Moodle 2.3. You can start developing your courses by visiting:

http://csumoodle.remote-learner.net/sandbox/

More Information

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 elearning@csu.edu.

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