



THIS WEEK IN THE CTRE

DECEMBER 16–22, 2012

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY

Upcoming Events

SLATE Monthly Meeting: 12/19
Using e-Portfolios 10:00-2:00
LIB Sun Room

Adjunct Faculty Orientation and Development (AFOD): 1/19
8:00-3:00
LIB Sun Room
[RSVP](#)

Faculty Resource Network (FRN) Info Session: 1/24
1:00-2:00
LIB 301
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App: [Student TA](#) (iOS only)

Price: Free!

Student TA is a hot new iOS app “that allows users to manage nearly



every aspect of their lives.”

Geared primarily toward students, the app helps them manage their time in a format that integrates assignment due dates, class times, and more in a format that is clear and customizable.

Also available is Student TA Pro for \$0.99.

SLATE Meeting at CSU - 12/19

[SLATE](#), the Midwest’s preeminent online education support group, will be



are used within institutions; **WHEN** they make the most impact; and **WHY** they positively im-

act learning. Having its monthly meeting at Chicago State University this **Wednesday, December 19, at 10:00 a.m. in the Library Sun Room (4th floor).**

The topic of the day’s meeting will be “Using e-Portfolios in an Integrative Environment,” wherein attendees will discuss the five W’s of online portfolios: **WHAT** they are; **WHO** is using them; **WHERE** they

act learning.

Also, as per SLATE tradition, the December meeting will feature a [white elephant gift exchange](#) for those interested (under \$10).

If you cannot attend in person, you can always join the meeting virtually at live.slategroup.org. Feeds will begin streaming at 9:50 a.m.

CTRE Grant Applications Due January 15

As the fall semester comes to a close, now is the best time to get your CTRE grant applications submitted.

Whether you’ve received CTRE funding in the past or are considering applying for the first time, the CTRE is thrilled to support the excellent work that you do at CSU.

The grant categories are as follows:

Faculty Development Award

- Student Engagement (≤ \$10,000)
- Program Enrichment (≤ \$10,000)

Faculty Development Seed Grant

- All (≤ \$15,000)

Faculty Development Stipend

- Conference—Attend (≤ \$1,500)
- Conference—Present (≤ \$3,000)
- Equipment/Supplies (≤ \$5,000)

All grant applications are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15. Early submissions are welcome.

If you have any questions about the CTRE grant application process, contact Michael Sukowski at msukowsk@csu.edu or x2501.



Looking Forward

Adjunct Faculty Orientation and Development

On Saturday, January 19 the CTRE will be hosting its spring Adjunct Faculty Orientation and Development (AFOD).



Building on the last AFOD schedule, this one will offer two tracks, one for new faculty, and one for faculty who attended the last session but are interested in polishing their knowledge and skills. These parallel sessions will include one on learning technologies, and one on building your syllabus. New to this AFOD will also be two “Birds of a Feather” roundtable discussion sessions.

AFOD will guide faculty through a variety of information sessions to help orient them to the policies, procedures, resources, and culture of CSU.

AFOD will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., beginning in the Library Sun Room.

To register, contact James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or x2498.

Breakfast and lunch will be served.

Ethics Unwrapped, Warts and All

With the sting of so many ethical improprieties still fresh in the minds of the American public—Bernie Madoff, LIBOR rigging, Rod Blagojevich, and Lance Armstrong come to mind—one might long for a refresher course in ethical behavior.



Enter [Ethics Unwrapped](#), an online effort spearheaded by the University of Texas at Austin, which asks the simple question, “Why do good people do bad things?”

Using the tools of psychology and re-

lated fields, the website explores organizational pressures and psychological biases through videos and teaching guides that you are free to use with your students.

[Ethics Unwrapped](#) features the work of professionals from a variety of fields who explore such concepts as conformity bias, moral equilibrium, conflict of interest, and more. Also featured is the multi-part “In It to Win: The Jack Abramoff Story,” which explores the former lobbyist’s (un)ethical choices.

Begin tapping into [Ethics Unwrapped](#)’s resources today and begin thinking about how you can implement them in your spring courses.

FRN Info Session

If you would like to know more about the **Faculty Resource Network** and its program offerings, stop by the CTRE next month for an info session:

Thursday, January 24

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

LIB 301

All interested faculty are welcome to attend. RSVP to James Kowalski at jkowalsk@csu.edu or X2498.