

## Upcoming Events

“Cultivating Student Soft Skills In the Classroom and Beyond: A Faculty Roundtable Discussion”  
10/21  
12:30-2:30  
LIB 301

“How Can I Create Effective Mini-Lectures?”  
10/22  
10:30-11:00  
LIB 318  
Tuesday Morning Mentor

“Six Presentation Alternatives for the PowerPoint-Wearry”  
10/23  
12:30-2:00  
LIB 301  
with James Kowalski

[Click here to register for an event.](#)

## APPEALING APPS & SITES

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The official TED app presents talks from some of the world’s most fascinating people.

More than 1,400 TEDTalk videos are available with this app, sortable by tag, theme, and language.



## Soft Skills Faculty Roundtable TODAY!

Soft skills are commonly cited as being at least as important for professional success as expert knowledge. Helping our students cultivate these skills, however, can be a challenge.

Come share your experiences, challenges, and solutions for strengthening them with “Cultivating Student Soft Skills in the Classroom and Beyond: A Faculty Roundtable Discussion.”

This event will be an opportunity for CSU faculty to come together and discuss strategies that work. It will take place today, **Monday, October 21 from 12:30 to 2:30 in LIB 301.** Ms. Zenobia Burch of

Human Resources will also be present to help kick off the discussion.

For more information or to register for this event, contact James Kowalski at [jkowalsk@csu.edu](mailto:jkowalsk@csu.edu) or 773-995-2498.



## Grant Writing Resources

Did you miss the grant writing workshops last week? Not to worry! Dr. Kenneth Henson has graciously allowed his materials on grant writing to be available for download on the CTRE website. His presentation can be found on the [Workshops page](#) under “Handouts,” and his articles on grant writing can be found on the [Research page](#) under “Grant Writing Prep Resources.”

Also, you can access the materials covered in Prof. Joanna Kolendo’s “Grant Writing Resources at the CSU Library” presentation. Simply follow



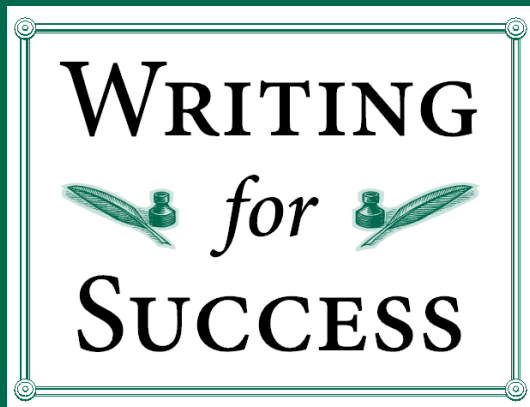
these steps:

- 1) Visit [library.csu.edu](http://library.csu.edu)
- 2) Click “Resources for...Faculty”
- 3) Click “Grant Research & Writing”

# Looking Forward

## CTRE Writing Workshops

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 Across the Curriculum"

with Dr. Christopher Anson

November 14, 2013

9:00-3:30 / LIB 301

### "Publish and Flourish: Become a Prolific Scholar"

with Dr. Tara Gray

February 7, 2014

Time TBA / LIB 301

Lunch will be included  
for both workshops.

To register, contact James Kowalski at [jkowalsk@csu.edu](mailto:jkowalsk@csu.edu) or 773-995-2498.  
Visit [bit.ly/csuwrite](http://bit.ly/csuwrite) to learn more about these and other workshops in the Writing for Success series.

## Learn About e-Book and e-Journal Resources at the CSU Library

Are you interested in learning more about the thousands of electronic resources available to the CSU community?

Join the CTRE on **Monday, November 18**  
from **10:00 to 12:00** in **LIB 301** for

**"Using e-Book and e-Journal Resources at CSU"**. CSU's electronic resources librarian, Professor Joanna Kolendo, will lead the presentation, and show you how to access a wealth of digital materials through the CSU

Library website, both on-campus and off-campus.

Learn useful tips on how to search and navigate what's available, and have all your questions answered.

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## Next OCT Course Begins 11/18

The next session of the CTRE's Online Certification Training (OCT) course will begin on Monday, November 18.

OCT prepares faculty to teach online by exploring the following units:

- What is Online Learning?
- Best Practices in Online Teaching
- Internet Copyright and Fair Use
- ADA Web Accessibility
- Building Course Content
- Additional Digital Resources

Participants will be required to complete all course materials and build two online modules in order to complete the course.

As stipulated in Appendix G of the CSU 2010-2015 Contract, faculty must complete OCT before teaching an online course.

If you have any questions or would like to enroll in the 11/18 section, contact James Kowalski at [jkowalsk@csu.edu](mailto:jkowalsk@csu.edu) or 773-995-2498.

