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LIBRARY AND
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"In a word, I was a pioneer, and therefore had to blaze my own trail."

- Marshall "Major" Taylor

Upcoming Events

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"An Open Letter to President Obama: Chicago Teachers Speak Out on Urban Education" Faculty Symposium Series Dr. Deborah Lynch 12:00-2:00 / LIB 301

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"How Do We Know What Students Are Learning?" Assessment Workshop Ms. Shannon Milligan Ms. Jennifer Sweet 10:00-2:00 / LIB 301

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"RANDOMNESS and the DOW" Faculty Symposium Series Dr. John Stedl 12:00-2:00 / LIB 301

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New Library Website Launches!

By Prof. Joanna Kolendo

During Welcome Week, the CSU Library launched its new website. As part of its sleek, user-centered design, it includes top and bottom menus, a search box, news, and upcoming events sections.

Research Resources are

now accessible from three places: the top *Find* menu, the *Search* box, and the

bottom *Find* menu. Research Resources, under the *Find* menus, are organized

alphabetically and by resource type.

Both the top and the bottom *Find* menus contain links to:

- archival materials
- book catalogs
- print course reserves
- databases (arranged alphabetically and by subject)
- e-books and journals (both print and digital)

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Faculty Resource Network

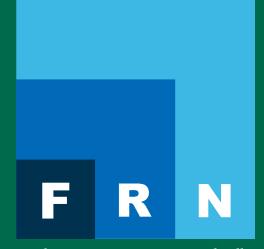
Chicago State University is a member of the Faculty Resource Network, a consortium of over 50 colleges and universities that sponsor award-winning development opportunities, including intensive seminars, symposia, and scholarin-residence opportunities.

Here are some upcoming programs available to CSU faculty:

National Symposium 2014

The Faculty Resource Network 2014 National Symposium, focusing on the theme "The Global Imperative for Higher Education," will be held on Friday, November 21 and Saturday, November 22, 2014 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The hotel registration deadline is October



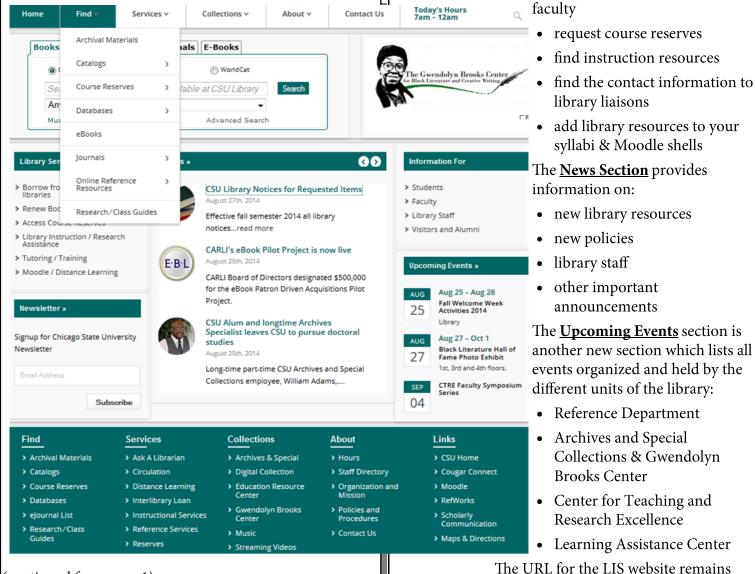
21, and symposium registration deadline is November 7, 2014.

To learn more and to register, click here.

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- online reference resources (encyclopedias, handbooks, and dictionaries)
- research/class guides

The *Search* box contains tabs for searching for books and journals, and directs users to e-book and database webpages.

Faculty Information can be accessed by selecting

For faculty specific information, visit *Information For: Faculty* on the right-hand side of the new site. From here you can learn how to:

- schedule library instruction for students
- schedule research consultations for students and

Fall Library Instruction Requests

library.csu.edu.

Remember to schedule library instruction sessions for your fall classes by visiting <u>csu.libcal.com/booking/libraryinstruction</u>.

Faculty will receive an immediate response via email that their request is under review by the library instruction coordinator. Meanwhile, the time they requested is reserved on the instruction calendar. Once an instruction request has been approved, confirmation will

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Faculty Resource Network

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Network Winter 2015

For the first time ever, the majority of the world's population lives in cities. This number will increase to 7 out of 10 people by 2050, resulting in a global urban population of 6.4 billion. The demographic shift towards increased urbanization will have profound impacts on economies, societies, cultures, and environments.

Given this outlook, FRN will be focusing on the theme, "The City," for the Network Winter 2015 program, with three seminars that will explore cities from various scholarly perspectives and highlight the use of urban locations as a rich learning environment.

The following seminars will be offered:

• The City as a Teaching Canvas



- The City in Contemporary World Literature
- The City and Global Climate Application deadline is Friday, October 3, 2014. For additional information and to apply, click here.

Spring 2015 Scholar-in-Residence
The Semester Scholar-in-Residence
program allows Network faculty who
are either on leave or sabbatical from
their home institution to come to New

York University to engage in research, develop curricula, and/or produce manuscripts for publication during the Spring semester.

Application deadline for the Spring 2015 semester is Friday, September 12, 2014. To learn more and to apply to the program, <u>click here</u>.

Information Sessions

The CTRE will be hosting FRN information sessions for all those who are interested in learning more about its programs. Sessions will be held on the following:

Sept. 9 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 Sept. 11 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 & 1:30-2:30 / LIB 318 Sept. 16 12:30-1:30 / LIB 318 Sept 18 12:30-1:30 / LIB 318

James Kowalski, who serves as CSU's FRN Liaison Officer, will lead the sessions.

Fall Library Instruction Requests

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Library instruction sessions can be scheduled Monday through Saturday, including weekday evenings, by any member of the CSU faculty (full-time, part-time, or adjunct). Instruction sessions can be general in focus, covering the library catalogs and other library databases that may be appropriate for a broad range of academic subjects. Sessions may also be customized for a specific academic discipline or geared towards a particular course assignment. Please



submit requests for library instruction at least 2 weeks in advance.

The standard instruction session is typically scheduled for **50 minutes**. However, faculty may also request a

double BI (two 50 minute sessions). In that case, the first session would be a lecture/presentation; the second session would be devoted to hands-on activity for students. Faculty may schedule both sessions on the same

day (back-to-back) or on two different dates. If you have questions regarding library instruction, please contact the Reference Department by phone at 773-995-2235 or by email at instructionrequest@csu.edu.



September 2014—CTRE Events



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| MON | TUES | WEDS | THURS | FRI |
| 1 Labor Day Holiday No Classes | Tuesday Morning Mentor "Can Service Learning Work in My Discipline?" 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 | 3 | Faculty Symposium Series "An Open Letter to President Obama: Chicago Teachers Speak Out on Urban Education" Dr. Deborah Lynch 12:00-2:00 / LIB 301 | 5 |
| "Art of Teaching 7: Dynamic Lecturing" 10:30-11:30 / Online via IRTC | Faculty Resource Network Information Session 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 | 10 | Faculty Resource Network Information Session 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 & 1:30-2:30 / LIB 318 | 12 |
| "Art of Teaching 8: Teaching with PowerPoint" 10:30-11:30 / Online via IRTC | Faculty Resource Network Information Session 12:30-1:30 / LIB 318 | 17 | Faculty Resource Network Information Session 12:30-1:30 / LIB 318 | "How Do We Know What Students Are Learning?" Ms. Shannon Milligan & Ms. Jennifer Sweet 10:00-2:00 / LIB 301 |
| "Art of Teaching 9: Demonstrations Old and New" 10:30-11:30 / Online via IRTC | "How Can I Effective- ly Teach Unprepared Students?" Tuesday Morning Mentor 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 | Visit the CTRE website for information on more upcoming events at: www.csu.edu/ctre/moreevents.htm To register for an event, click here. | | Faculty Symposium Series: "RANDOMNESS and the DOW" Dr. John Stedl 12:00-2:00 / LIB 301 |
| Online Certification Training (OCT) Begins 8 Weeks / Moodle | "What is Blended Learning?" Tuesday Morning Mentor 10:30-11:30 / LIB 318 | = Training = Tuesday Morning Mentor = Workshop / Info Session = Special Event | | |