

Statewide OER Advisory Council Report to the Faculty Senate

OER defined: “Open educational resources (OER) are free and openly licensed educational materials that can be used for teaching, learning, research, and other purposes.” (<https://cscu.libguides.com/findoer/oer101m 2/11/19>)

- Potential funding opportunities that may be available to help faculty members who are converting to or using OER.
 - CCSU Curriculum Development Grants (Deadline: Wed., March 6, 2019, 4pm) Up to \$1200 stipend per faculty member. OER-related work particularly encouraged. See the RFP/grant application at: <http://www.ccsu.edu/gfr/files/2019CurriculumDevGrantRFP.doc>
 - Potential state funding
 - The CSCU Open Educational Resources (OER) Advisory Council is coordinating a free, split day event for faculty and student government leaders to learn about the benefits of OER, the basics of Copyright & Creative Commons licensing, and the concepts of Open Pedagogy to be held on **March 1st, 2019 at Manchester Community College**. The full agenda and registration information can be found at: <https://events.eventzilla.net/e/cscu-oer-summit-2138733293>
 - The Open CSCU website / live help by librarians for professors needing help finding or using OER. <http://cscu.libguides.com>
 - A call for data from faculty members / more OER success stories. An updated survey form for 2019 is available at <http://bit.ly/oer2019>
 - The recent addition of a #NOLO course designator in the community college course registration system to designate those course options in which curricular materials are guaranteed to cost \$40 or less, along with the potential for a similar designator to be added to CCSU’s catalog and the recommendation from the CSCU Statewide Advisory Council on OER for all campuses to add a #NOLO designator. See report / document from Advisory Council about the #NOLO project. (Kevin)
- *Respectfully submitted, Sharon Clapp, CCSU representative to the OER Advisory Council & Digital Resources Librarian. February 11, 2019, with thanks to Kevin Corcoran, Executive Director, Digital Learning, CSCU*