OER Slam: Favorites from the NROC Community

Thanks for joining us! We will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. ET.

- Use the "questions" area to submit questions as they arise.
- This webinar will be archived at NROCnetwork.org.
  and you will receive a follow-up email with a link to the recording and slides.
- Contribute to the Twitter conversation at #NROCpd.
- Do you need help with GoToWebinar? Email memberservices@NROC.org.
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THE HYBRID MODEL ALLOWS US TO...

support and redistribute OER, from ourselves and partner projects;

build and maintain platforms for enabling people to find, adapt and share OER, and to engage in open educational practices;

invest most of our time and energy into improving learning outcomes, with special attention to college and career readiness;

and stay committed to the effort and investment of our institutional members for the long term, fulfilling the promise of OER.
NROC collaborates with educators to imagine, develop, test, & refine technologies that improve student success.
INTRODUCTIONS

The Role of OER in Your Programs
OTAN
Outreach and Technical Assistance Network

To lead California adult education in the integration of technology into the educational process, ultimately empowering learners to meet their academic, employment and civic goals.

Face-to-Face and Online Training
Teaching with Technology
Teachers’ and Administrators’ Digests
News Articles
Annual Technology and Distance Learning Symposium
Online Resources for Adult Education

Visit OTAN.us for more information on OTAN offerings
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• Consortium formed in 1999
• Partnership of 7 Iowa Community Colleges
• Governed by Oversight Committee
• Maximize expertise, resources and innovation at all partner colleges.
• Commit to working together for the benefit of all partners

The Iowa Community College Online Consortium strengthens the partner colleges’ delivery of quality educational opportunities to students, supported by a comprehensive set of faculty, staff, and student services.

- Eastern Iowa Community College
- Iowa Lakes Community College
- North Iowa Area Community College
- Northwest Iowa Community College
- Southeastern Community College
- Southwestern Community College
- Western Iowa Tech Community College
FY2019 - 2020 Strategic Objective

#2. Grow the use of Open Educational Resources, eTextbooks and Digital Content.

• Lumen Learning Classes – Low cost OER based
• Instructor Developed OER Classes
  • Oasis, MERLOT, OpenStax, OER Commons, Creative Commons
  • Training courses, webinars, Spring Conference
• NROC Math/English, EdReady, HippoCampus
  • Online students to get ready to take credit math classes
  • EdReady for face-to-face students currently enrolled in Math for Liberal Arts who need extra help
• Iowa OER  https://iowaoer.wordpress.com/
• Statewide Adult Basic Ed Partnership
  • NROC classes and EdReady
• Publisher partnerships – OER Content
About 287

- 80% Special Ed.
- MN Partnership for Collaborative Curriculum
- Northern Star Online
- Evidence-based instruction;
- Trauma-sensitive/healing-centered practices;
- Racial equity;
- Collaboration & Innovation

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OER in 287

- Innovation & Collaboration
- Layers
  - Sp. Ed.; SEL; ELL
  - Online/Blended/Face to Face
- Accessibility
- Equity
- Northern Star Online
- Interactive (Moodle/H5P)

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TOURING

Some Favorite OER Sites

Please share your favorites in the chat area... we’ll share a comprehensive list of URLs with the webinar archive.
A FEW FAVORITE SITES

WORKING WITH TEACHERS

Images taken as screenshots from each site.
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Utilize H5P for high quality interactive course elements. There are many from which to choose but we focus on these:

- Drag/Drop
- Speak the Words
- Flash Cards
- Fill-in-the-Blank
- Interactive Video
- Branching Scenario

See examples and documentation on h5p.org
These resources were integral for a collaborative development process to address Employability Benchmarks.

Used in lessons for:
- Career Prep
- Business
- English
- Science
- Scrum/Collaboration

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Mental health concerns make this a particularly valuable resource.

Presentations, videos, handouts, support resources, and lesson plans.

We are combining these resources with OER Psychology and Health texts.
While we are moving away from textbooks, we do mine them for content and activities.

Readability too high?
Paste text into Rewordify.com for additional supports.
LESSONS LEARNED

Tips for Faculty and Professional Development

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LESSONS LEARNED

SLOW AND STEADY

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Lessons Learned

• Faculty developed courses
  • Time and compensation
  • Maintenance and updates to content
  • Accessibility
  • Consistency across courses (consortium-wide)

• Low cost solutions for OER created courses
  faculty who have concerns about OER quality or who want additional features such as homework
  and quizzes
  • Lumen Learning
  • NROC/EdReady
  • Publisher content
    • Cengage – OPENNOW - help higher ed institutions and instructors easily access and use OER
    • McGraw Hill – Open Learning Solutions
    • Macmillan – Intellus Search - search engine designed to make it simpler for instructors to discover
      free and relevant supplemental materials
Tips for your OER Journey

- Let people know they're using OER;
- Ask them to review it instead of telling them to use it.
- Don’t get burned: Save what you can when you find them.
- Reach out; ask for permission.
QUESTIONS?
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