

Everything You Didn't Want to Know About OER: A Toolkit That Will Boost Your Confidence

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- OER definition
- Why OER is important
- OER Toolkit for Librarians
- Resources
- Wrap-up

Definition of OER

From Creative Commons: “Open Educational Resources (OER) are teaching, learning, and research materials that are either (a) in the public domain or (b) licensed in a manner that provides everyone with free and perpetual permission to engage in the 5R activities”:

Retain
Reuse
Revise
Remix
Redistribute

“OER is not one of my job responsibilities. Why do I need to know about OER?”

- Cost savings for students
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion
- Accessibility
- Customization of course materials
- More than just textbooks (interactive labs, homework managers)
- Open Pedagogy

Motivation for creating an OER toolkit

- No knowledge of OER
- So much information in so many places
- Numerous listservs
- OER overload!
- [SPARC Open Education Leadership Program](#)
(Session on Thursday @ 7:30pm EST- “Open Education Leader Project Showcase”)

Resources

- [OER Toolkit for Librarians](#) created as my capstone project for SPARC program
 - [OEL Program Curriculum](#)
 - [2019-20 Cohort w/community resource](#)
- [Creative Commons Certificate course](#)

Thank you for attending!

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