



Open Educational Resources: A Sustainable Model for the Future

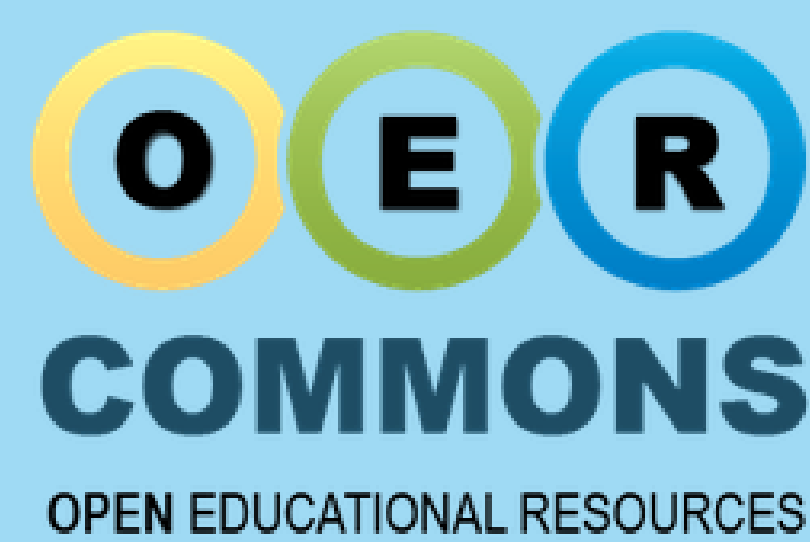
What are Open Educational Resources (OERs)?

OERs are resources available at **little or no cost** that can be used for teaching, learning, or research. Some examples are textbooks, course readings, articles, journals, course packs, quizzes, streaming videos, and virtually any other material that is used for educational purchases. Using digital OERs saves paper. **OERs help keep the high cost of education down.**¹

¹Source: <http://net.educause.edu/ir/library/pdf/ELI7061.pdf>

Finding Open Educational Resources

Faculty are the key decision makers for the adoption of Open Educational Resources! Select course materials from sources like:



Why Create and Use Open Educational Resources?

Free, ready-to-use content for your classes.

Creators and users are free to:

Retain

Users have the right to make, archive, and own copies of the content

Reuse

Content can be reused in its unaltered form

Remix

The original or revised content can be combined with other content to create something new

Revise

Content can be adapted, adjusted, modified, or altered

Redistribute

Copies of the content can be shared with others in its original, revised, or remixed form

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Revamp Your Course Packs with Pollak Library

Find and link to articles from Pollak Library resources to create custom, cost-free course packs for your classes. Talk to a librarian for more information!

The Bottom Line

Students can access OERs online for little or no cost, download, copy, and print as many pages as they wish.² OERs save time, money, and paper!

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Get Help

Talk to a librarian at Pollak Library, or visit us at libraryguides.fullerton.edu/open-access. We're happy to help.