Welcome to Institutional OER Stories
Austin Community College

Courtney Mlinar
Head Librarian, ACC Elgin

Ursula Pike
Instructional Initiatives Coordinator, ACC District
Z-Degrees (Zero Textbook Cost)

General Studies Associate degree in Science (A.S.)
General Studies Associate degree in Arts (A.A.)
Developing Business, Communications, ???

Over 21,000 students have enrolled in OER courses since 2016.

Nearly 400 faculty teaching with OER materials.

Saved students over $2 million in textbook fees
Most expensive textbook replaced:
Cultural Anthropology $264

Students search for OER/ZTC courses in the schedule.
Houston Community College

Nathan Smith

Instructor of Philosophy and OER Coordinator
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Texas A&M University

Rusty Kimball

Leader, Open Access for Student Educational Success
The Role of Subject Librarians in Addressing Context in Effective Campus OER Programs

Rusty Kimball, Tina Budzise-Weaver, Derek Halling, Bruce Herbert, Bruce Neville, Diana Ramirez, Jane Stephens, Tom Sullivan, David Hubbard, and Daniel Xiao
University Libraries, Texas A&M University

ABSTRACT
Instead of an OER Librarian, the OASES (Open Access for Student Educational Success) is a team of subject librarians led by a subject librarian, as envisioned by Bruce Herbert, Director of Scholarly Communications at Texas A&M University Libraries. These subject librarians are taking a leading role in program design and implementation, particularly in addressing issues with disciplinary context. OASES promotes and facilitates the adoption of Open Access textbooks, Open Educational Resources (OERs), and existing library licensed materials—as alternatives to expensive commercial textbooks on the Texas A&M Campus.

Program Model

NEEDS / OPPORTUNITIES
Low hanging fruit: OA textbooks adoptions for Intro courses
Student Government Association (SGA) Teaching Award to instructors who create or use OER
Flip degree programs using Library licensed & OER resources

PROGRAM ELEMENTS
Activities: strategizing, outreach, recruiting, consultation
Challenge: Subject librarians typically have a wide range of responsibilities
So, T-shape job skills specializations allow choice of focus

PEOPLE –OASES TEAM
Team of subject liaison librarians
Advantages:
Established departmental relationships
Enough people allow better focus
Subject matter expertise
Knowledge of library resources for particular discipline

Rusty Kimball, OASES leader:
Atmospheric Sciences, Geography, Geology & Geophysics, Oceanography

Bruce Neville: Biology, Biological Engineering, Environmental Studies, Industrial and Systems Engineering, Mechanical Engineering

Derek Halling: English, Film Studies, Science Fiction, Astronomy, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics

David Hubbard: Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Ocean Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering

Tina Budzise-Weaver: Performance Studies, Visualization

Diana Ramirez: Psychology, Educational Psychology

Tom Sullivan: Accounting, Business, Finance

Bruce Herbert: Director, Office of Scholarly Communication

Jane Stephens (not pictured): Aerospace Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering, Mechanical and Computer Engineering, Nuclear Engineering

Daniel Xiao (not pictured): East and Southeast Asian Studies, Educational Administration, Educational Technology, International Studies, Sociology, Sport Management

EARLY SUCCESSES & GROWING PAINS
Began in May 2017, so 17 months along
Begun with College of Geosciences and Biology Department
Three custom course packs underway, one in use
Biology Department BIO I 118 &112: largest OpenStax textbook adoption to date
Stipend fund quickly exhausted
University level funding proposal rejected

Largest OpenStax textbook adoption to date, Biology, by the Texas A&M University Biology Department. Biology 111 & 112 Instructors pictured left to right: James Erickson, Christopher Lee, David Carlson (Dean, Texas A&M University Libraries), Andy Tag (top), Brigitte Le Boeuf (bottom), Rusty Kimball (OASES leader), Kathryn Ryan, Asha Rao, Bruce Neville (Biology Librarian), and Angela Hawkins. (Not pictured: Michael Kemp).

2018-2019
New approach, new funding
New proposal to be written by January 1, 2019
Shoestring budget with $500 stipends
Flexible team member roles
Focus on OpenStax textbook adoptions and Library e-book replacements for full degree programs
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Catherine Rudowsky
Dean of Libraries
OER at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

- OER Taskforce formed in Fall 2017
- Online OER Guide
- OER Campaign during Open Access Week Fall 2018
- OER Community of Practice Spring 2019
- OER integrated into QEP Proposal Submission
Texas A&M University-San Antonio

Deirdre McDonald
Research Services Manager
Get to Know **MERLOT:**
OER Discovery & Creation

- Content Discovery: Search for OER by discipline, material type, audience level, & technical format
- Peer-reviewed, editor-reviewed, and user-reviewed content
- Content Creation: free hosted webpages and ePortfolio options

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OER Coordinator
Beginning to Build an OER Community on Campus

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University of Texas at Arlington

Kelly Visnak

Associate University Librarian for Scholarly Communications
http://libguides.uta.edu/utacares

https://uta.pressbooks.pub/
University of Texas at Austin

Colleen Lyon

Scholarly Communications Librarian
Collaboration for Outreach at UT Austin

TEXAS Libraries
The University of Texas at Austin
University of Texas Libraries

Coerll Center for Open Educational Resources and Language Learning

The University of Texas at Austin
Department of Mathematics
College of Natural Sciences
University of Texas at San Antonio

DeeAnn Ivie

OER Coordinator
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