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Open Education Resources at UMass Amherst

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Beginnings

- Open Access Weeks, 2009 and 2010
 - Awareness
- Sept 21, 2010 event
 - Education
- Publicity / Buy-In
- Resources
 - Scholarly Communication Office
 - OER LibGuide

OER Events During OA Weeks 2009 & 2010



University OER Event on September 21

http://scholarworks.umass.edu/oer/

Open Educational Resources Event



Open Educational Resources (OER) is a relatively new movement in education; educators and learners as well as learning institutions are driving its development. OER provides an alternative to the rising costs of education. For example, in some countries like South Africa, some educator and learners are tapping into OER as the only source for textbooks. OER provides an opportunity to try new ways of teaching and learning, many of which are more collaborative and participatory.

Some educator are using OER as a way to get students more involved, using the OER process as a way to collaborate with them on content creation. This process brings students into a larger context of learning and sharing knowledge beyond the four walls of their classroom.

Flexibility is a key concept in OER. Materials can be adapted for your specific needs. Because these materials can be searched by a wide variety of criteria, you can quickly find what you specifically need.

Browse the contents of Open Educational Resources Event:

2010, How can a Textbook Be Free? Keeping Higher Education Affordable With Open Resources





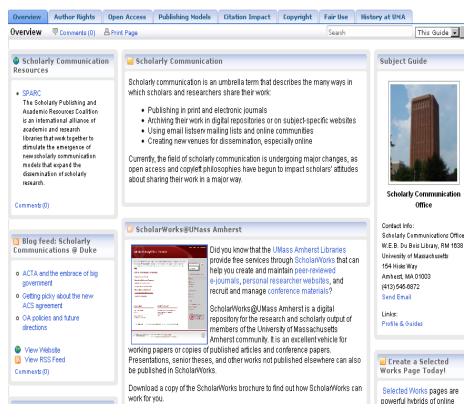
More pictures about event are available at: <u>http://scholarworks.umass.edu/oer_images/</u>

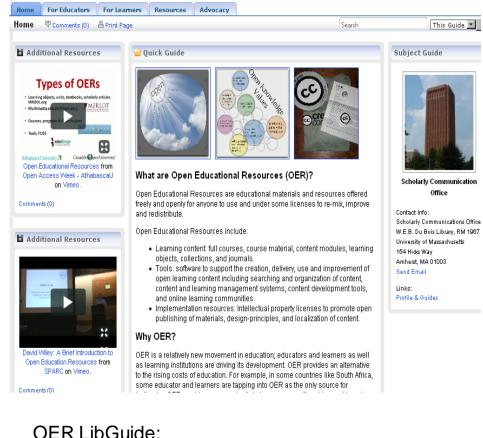
Publicity

- Local newspapers
- Campus news
- Buy-In
- Faculty Senate
- Office of Faculty Development
- Provost's Office

Resources

Scholarly Communication LibGuide: <u>http://guides.library.umass.edu/scholarlycommunication</u>





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