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

http://scholarworks.umass.edu/oa/2009/oct22/4/

2009 Open Access Week

Open Educational Resources

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Start Date
22-Oct-2009 10:00 AM

End Date
10-2009 11:00 AM

Using Open Educational Resources in the Classroom

http://scholarworks.umass.edu/oa/2010/oct19/3/

2010 Open Access Week

Open Educational Resources: Teaching Material for the Public Good

Start Date
19-10-2010 12:00 PM

End Date
19-10-2010 1:00 PM

Description
An open discussion about the OER movement, which offers materials for all to use freely. Learn how instructors can remix, repurpose and redistribute materials while saving students money. We will hear from UMass faculty who have successfully used OERs and touch on issues raised at the 9/21 event "How Can a Textbook be Free: Keeping Higher Education Affordable with Open Resources." Lunch included. RSVP requested to mcharney@library.umass.edu. Drop-ins also welcome.
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 cost of education. For example, in some countries like South Africa, some educators 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 educators 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:
http://scholarworks.umass.edu/oer_images/
Publicity

- Local newspapers
- Campus news

Buy-In
- Faculty Senate
- Office of Faculty Development
- Provost’s Office
Resources

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

OER LibGuide:
http://guides.library.umass.edu/oer

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