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New Year,
New NCOER Initiative
January 14, 2021
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- MHEC, NEBHE, WICHE, SREB.
- Increase collaboration.
- Reduce duplication of effort.
- Regional compacts, states, systems.
- Focus on equity, cost savings, research, and open pedagogy.
OER Initiatives Work

- Faculty who are aware of one or more OER initiatives are three to four times more likely to be adopters of OER.
- This holds true for both faculty teaching introductory-level courses and the general population of faculty.
- When implemented at the institution level, OER initiatives result in a measurable rise in the number of faculty who are aware of OER.
- Faculty who are aware of OER are much more likely to adopt OER as required course materials; those who have yet to adopt OER are much more likely to do so in the future.
- The impact of awareness of OER initiatives on adoption is consistent:
  - Two-and four-year institutions.
  - The level of course being taught.
  - All regional compacts in the U.S.
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Theme of MHEC’s OER Work

BUILD

CAPACITY AND COMMUNITY

FOR OER IMPLEMENTATION
MHEC’s Past Work with OER: 2018-2020

• Supported by Hewlett Foundation and MHEC.
• Regional Convening 2018.
• State OER Action Teams.
• Webinars.
• Institutional leadership training.
MHEC’s Past Work with OER: Accomplishments

• Presentations to legislatures.
• Statewide surveys of institutional OER work.
• Create/combine repositories.
• State memberships in OEN (formerly OTN).
• Creation of “official” statewide OER committees.
Kansas Board of Regents OER Steering Committee
Michigan OER Network
MHEC’s Work with OER: The Next 18 Months

- Supported by Hewlett Foundation and MHEC.
- Continue work with state OER action teams.
- Procurement work for OER-related technologies.
- Research on tracking and calculating cost savings.
- Facilitate virtual state OER summits.
- Facilitate virtual institutional leadership trainings.
- Support creation of OER for CTE.
- Research and support use of OER for Dual Enrollment.
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# NEBHE's Open Education Priorities

Under the direction of its Open Education Fellow and Advisory Committee, comprised of higher education leaders representing the six New England states, New Jersey and New York, NEBHE has begun its initial work to address the following identified priorities:

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<td>Exploration and development of resources and research to inform sound policy making practices for OER state legislation as well as system and institutional policies, bridging the gap between practitioners and key decision-makers.</td>
<td>Communication strategies and tools to assist constituents in understanding and articulating the full value and commitment that Open Education entails in terms of advancing affordability, equity, and pedagogy in the Northeast.</td>
<td>Resources to support practitioners in the Northeast when considering the practical realities of OER adoption, revision and creation and Open Pedagogy.</td>
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**RESOURCE:** Open Education policies in the Northeast: Suggested practices and models

**RESOURCE:** Getting Started with OER: Tips for Senior Leaders

**RESOURCE:** Webinar recording and toolkit to leverage OER during COVID-19

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Boots on the Ground!

Leveraging Practitioner Perspectives on Open Education in New England

Presented by NEBHE Fellow, Open Education, Lindsey Gumb

Watch our #OpenEd20 Lightning Talk!

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Key Objectives for the Next 18 Months

Extend pedagogical flexibility
OER licensing as a tool: Diversify curriculum, increase student engagement, empower students as contributors to scholarly conversation

Explore student success
How does OER-enabled pedagogy impact student learning & success? How can educators leverage OER to close equity gaps?

Engage key leadership
Outreach: Understanding the challenges, opportunities and technicalities are crucial elements in policymaking, which can sustain and support OER development.
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Past and Current Work on OER and Dual Enrollment

• Prior work on OER in the region.

• SREB [Dual Enrollment Initiative](#).

• College [Affordability Profiles](#).

• [Ten Issues](#) in Educational Technology.
OER: Equitable Access, Success, and Affordability
Planned Activities: Next 18 Months

- Develop OER/DE contact list
- Research legislation and policies
- Survey stakeholders on current initiatives
- Research Dev Ed and college readiness impact
- Present at Board, LAC, other convenings
- Regional convening in Year 2
- Publications
Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE)

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WICHE’s Work with OER

- Conducted needs analysis of policy and practice gaps
- Develop regional network of western states & territories
- Engage in research on impacts of OER
- Broaden recognition that equity is essential in OER
Questions from the Audience
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