

Open Educational Resource universitas

Collaboration and Transformation

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What is the OERu?

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- Global partnership of like-minded postsecondary institutions – not university per se
- Committed to free courses and programs based on OERs
- Optional support, assessment and credible credentials through partner institutions
- Sponsored by a not-for-profit foundation in New Zealand (OERu Foundation)
- Virtual presence in WikiEducator wiki





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Welcome to WikiEducator

Just Try It! Our community will support you[About](#) [Using WikiEducator](#) [FAQs](#)[OERu](#)[OER Foundation](#)[Content](#)[Projects & Initiatives](#)[Research](#)[Networks](#)We're turning the digital *divide* into digital *dividends* using **free content** and **open networks**. We hope you will join us.

The purpose of WikiEducator

The WikiEducator is an evolving community intended for the collaborative:

- **planning** of education projects linked with the development of [free content](#)
- **development** of free content on [Wikieducator](#) for e-learning
- work on building **open education resources** (OERs) on **how** to create OERs
- networking on [funding proposals](#) developed as free content

Featured OER Foundation institution



[Empire State College](#) is one of the colleges of the [State University of New York](#). Empire State College is a pioneer of distance education and world leader in the evolution of

open and online learning. *"Open institutions around the world serve millions of learners"* said Dr Alan Davis, President of Empire State College *"and the importance of open education resources is rapidly growing"*. Empire State College is a founding gold member of the [OER Foundation](#) and is collaborating with institutions around the world in building the [OER university](#) network. [Read more ...](#)

See also [Empire State College](#)

Join us today ~ You'll be glad you did!

Please join us in developing free and open educational content for the world!

OER university launched worldwide ([Meeting agenda](#))



Innovative education system to revolutionise tertiary learning

You can study world-class courses for free and count them towards real qualifications. This is the future of tertiary learning with the launch of the [Open Educational Resource university](#) (OERu), unveiled by Sir John Daniel on November 1, 2013.

In the news



Aspiring to be higher education's leading player in disruptive innovation, SNHU joins forces with [OERu](#) to re-envision models using open education approaches. [Read more ...](#)



[SUNY Empire State College](#) leads the way as the first founding anchor partner of the [OER university](#) in the United States. *"By joining OERu, Empire State College will join the global community of learners who contribute to and benefit from open educational resources."* said Alan Davis, President of SUNY Empire State College. [Read more](#)

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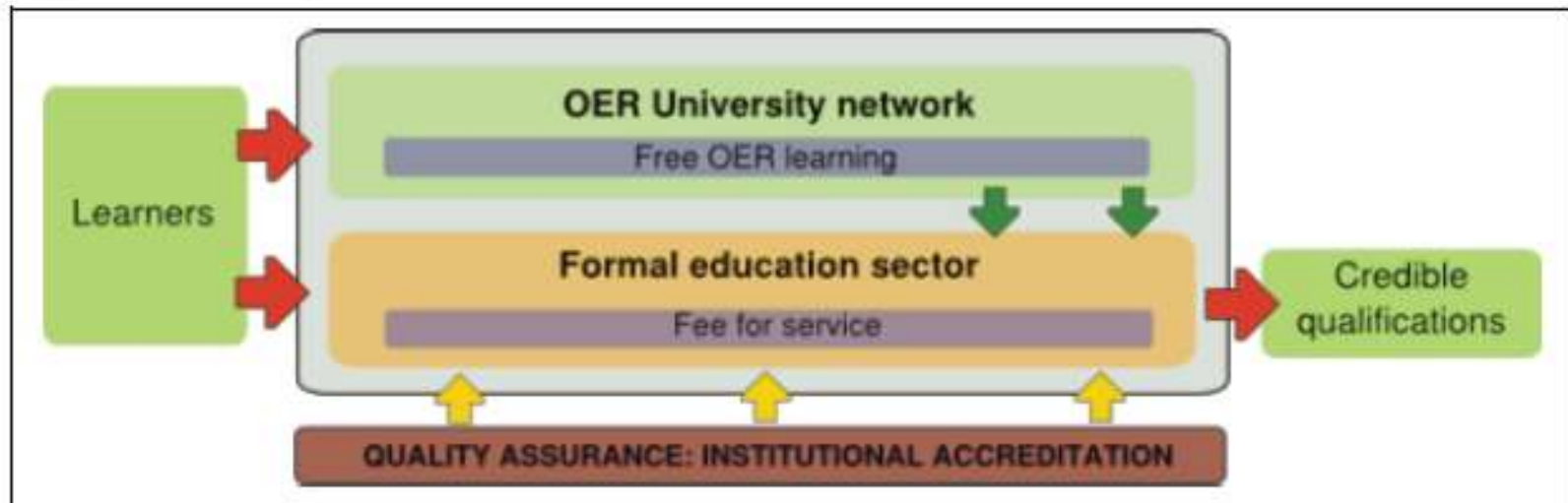
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How does it work?

“Parallel learning universe” (Taylor, 2007)

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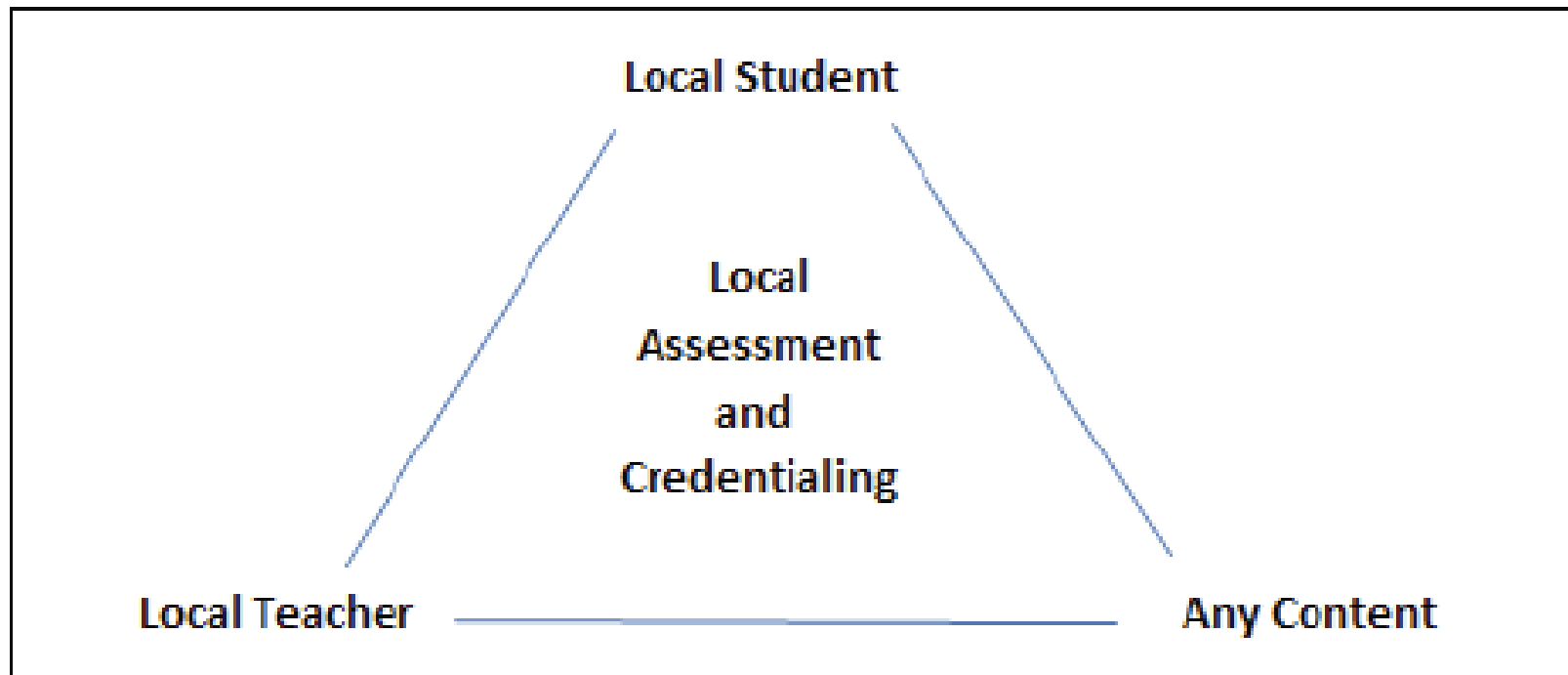
Figure 1.3: OERu parallel structures



OERu logic high level. [Wayne Mackintosh](#). Licensed under Creative Commons 3.0 BY-SA Unported.

The “unbundling” concept

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Model showing OER or OCW reuse (“any content”). [Friesen & Murray \(2011\)](#). Licensed under Creative Commons 3.0 BY-SA Unported.

OERu collaborations

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Figure 1.4: OERu collaborations

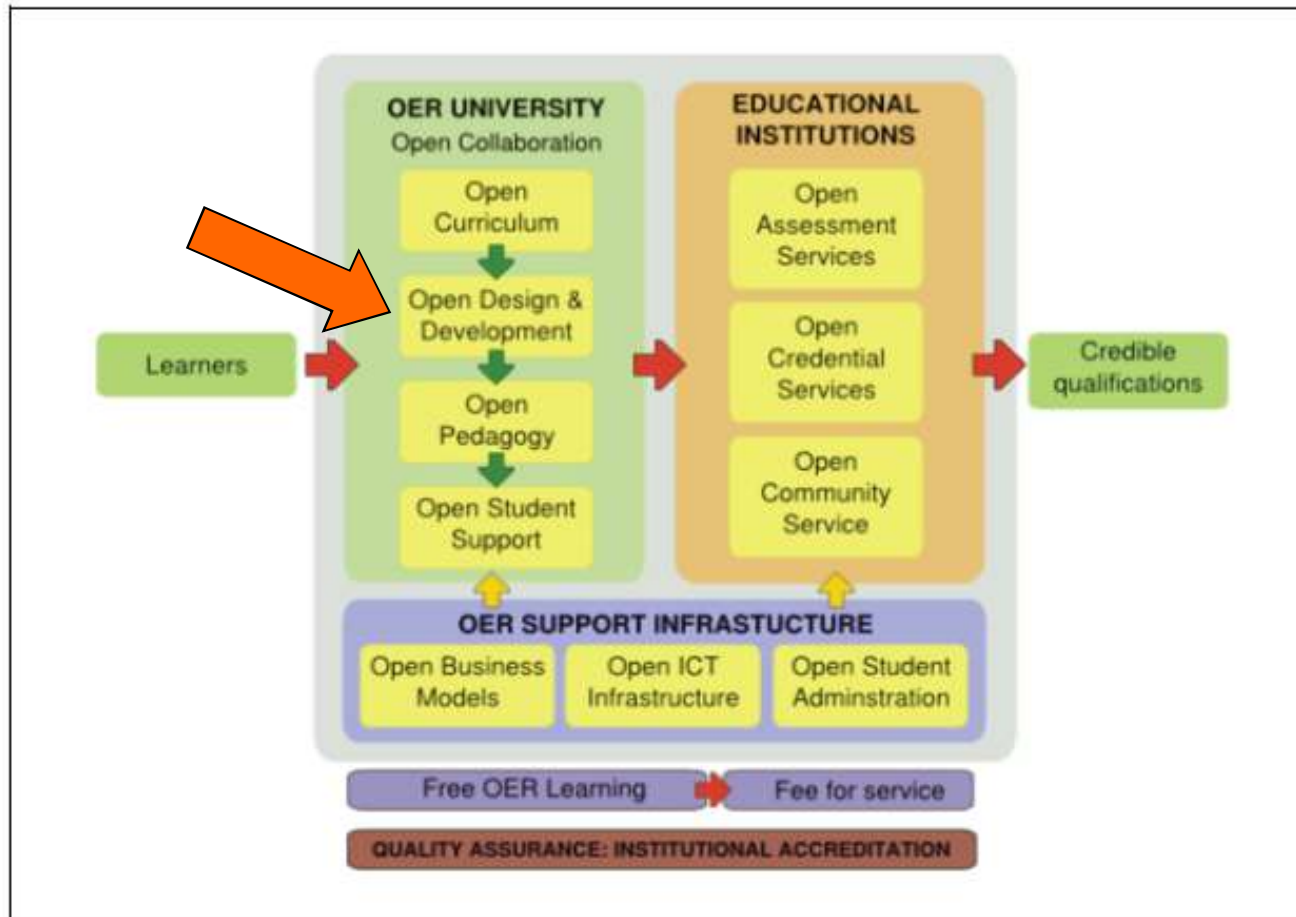
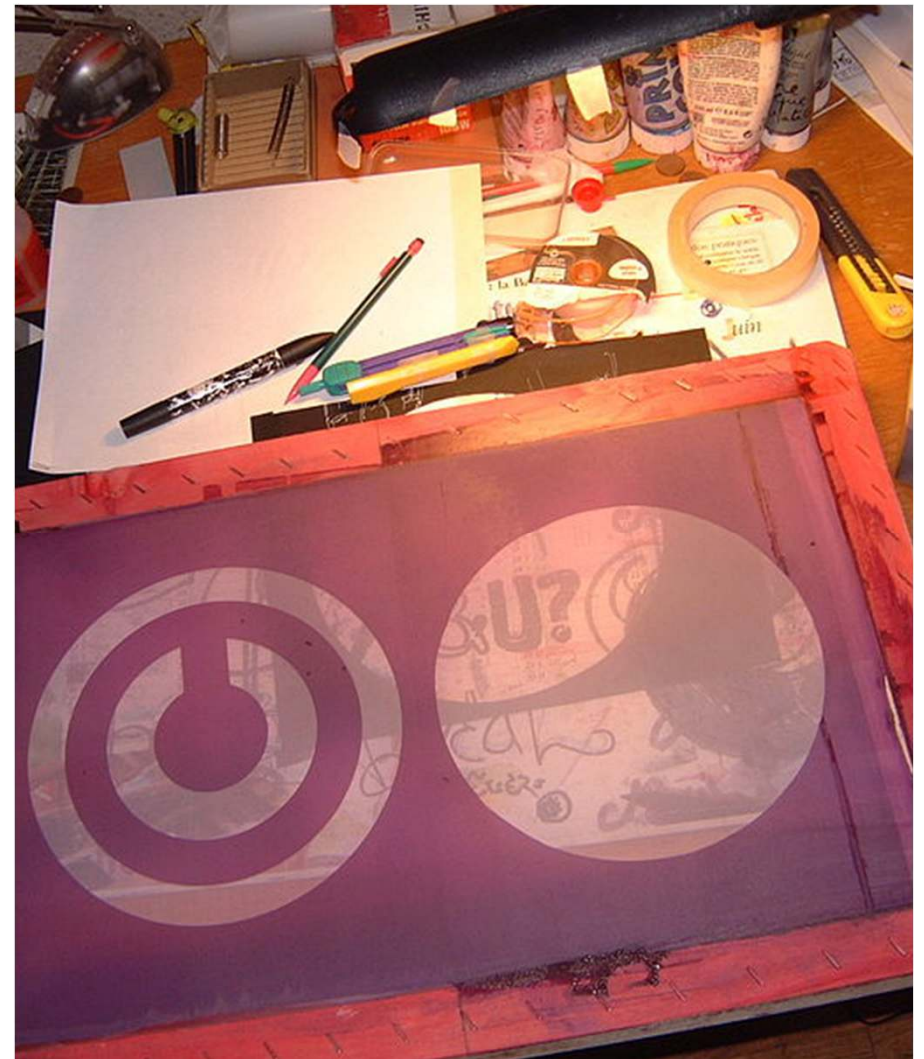


Diagram showing high-level logic model for OERu. By [Wayne Macintosh](#). Licensed under Creative Commons 3.0 BY-SA Unported.

Being open: What does it mean?

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- ❑ Removing barriers from access to learning
- ❑ Being able to share & use educational content freely
- ❑ Moving toward open and collaborative processes
- ❑ Similar concepts to Free and Open Source Software



Open design and development

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- Open educational resources (OER)
 - ▣ Using OER
 - ▣ Making OER
- Working in open collaborative environments

Open Educational Resources

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“Teaching, learning, and research resources that reside in the public domain or have been released under an intellectual property license that permits their free use or re-purposing by others.

Open educational resources include full courses, course materials, modules, textbooks, streaming videos, tests, software, and any other tools, materials, or techniques used to support access to knowledge”

Hewlitt - Atkins, Brown and Hammond (2007)



Street Musicians. [Eugène Atget](#). PD-US-1923.

Reusability

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- The 4 R's of reusability
 - ▣ Reuse
 - ▣ Redistribute
 - ▣ Revise
 - ▣ Remix
- And #5...
 - ▣ **Retain**



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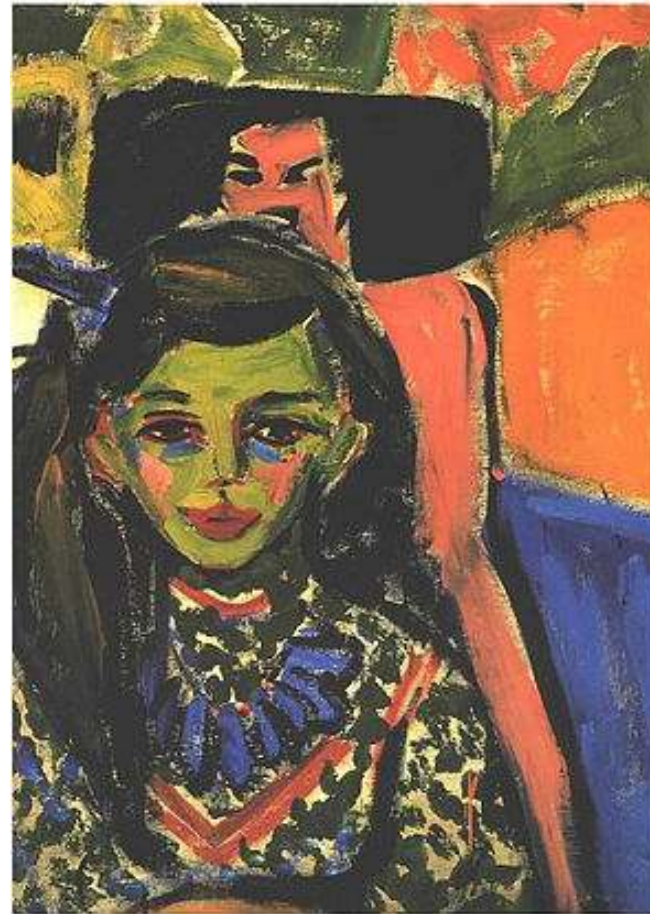
Beyond the 4/5 Rs

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- From the “what” to the “how” of openness”
- Open Educational Practices (OEP)

“a set of activities and support around the creation, use and repurposing of Open Educational Resources”

(Conole 2010)



Sharing of learning design knowledge

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□ Learning design - examples

▣ What is (are) learning design(s)?

- Structuring learning sequences (Britain, 2004)
- Capturing learning design practice (Conole et al., 2007)
- Representations of how to support learning (Goodyear, 2005)
- Learning design patterns (Rohse & Anderson, 2006)

▣ Sharing “pedagogical know-how”

- From only content □ design knowledge
- Tools and collaboration

Sharing learning design knowledge

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Quietly listening to the wind in the pines, 1246. [Ma Lin](#). Public Domain.

- *“Traditionally design has been an implicit process, how do we shift to a process of design that is more explicit and hence shareable?”*

(Conole, 2008)

Working in collaboration

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- WikiEducator example

Collaborative design in other fields

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- Architecture, expert systems, telecommunications, engineering
 - ▣ Multiple points of negotiation and evaluation (Kvan, 2000)
 - ▣ Explicit sharing of design information using communication tools (Chiu, 2002)
 - ▣ Design teams need to explore and integrate differences (Sonnenwald, 1996)
 - ▣ Intentional communication processes are essential (Hixon, 2008)

Traditional instructional design

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- The generic design process, for instance, the ADDIE Model incorporating the five processes of Analysis, Design, Development, Implementation, and Evaluation as a dynamic system.
- Iterative and “messy” process (Conole 2010)

OSS design and development

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- Based on collaboration and communities of volunteers
 - ▣ Commitment to philosophy of sharing
 - ▣ Personal and professional benefits
 - ▣ Induction processes for newbies
 - ▣ Communication and versioning systems
 - ▣ Decentralized but with some leadership
 - ▣ Visible design rules



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Traditional/Open design and development comparison

Aspect	Open Design and Development	Traditional Instructional Design
Contributors	Volunteers, motivated by open philosophy and personal /organizational benefit	Paid faculty or staff
Makeup of design team	Distributed	Centralized
Induction into the development team	No specific method	Employment orientation and training
Access to contribute	Member community open to public including students downstream	Private — but some possible input by students
Roles of design team members	Loosely defined, overlapping, broad skills	Specialized, clearly defined
Organizational structure	Flat, collaborative, representational, some meritocratic	Hierarchical or faculty based
Communication	F-F and virtual meetings, mailing lists, wiki pages, microblogs	Mostly business communication tools (email, meetings)
Intended uses	As originally intended or repurposed for multiple uses and settings	Defined purpose determined in learner, job, institutional or market analysis

Traditional/Open design and development comparison

Aspect	Open Design and Development	Traditional Instructional Design
<i>Content copyright</i>	Open licensing (CC) with some rights reserved	Mostly rights reserved
<i>Content versions</i>	Multiple possible via forks	Official version
<i>Design processes</i>	Informal design processes	More formal design processes and documentation
<i>Authoring environment</i>	Open source social software	Proprietary
<i>Delivery environment</i>	Wiki, LMS, other options	Dedicated proprietary application
<i>Pedagogy</i>	Varied, depending on individual development teams and their preferences	Generally in line with overarching institutional model
<i>Maintenance</i>	Ongoing, community based	Episodic, managed

Aspects of “traditional” instructional design

Aspect	Traditional Instructional Design
• Participants	• Paid, institutionally based – usually individual designer
• Makeup of design team	• From within one organization
• Roles of design team members	• More clearly circumscribed
• Content copyright	• Mostly rights reserved
• Content versions	• Single official version
• Intended learners	• Predefined
• Design processes	• Formal design processes
• Authoring environment	• Generally proprietary; e.g. Word, Photoshop
• Delivery environment	• Usually a single dedicated platform – e.g. BlackBoard, Moodle

The open design process

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- Sample processes
 - Planning for OERu prototypes
 - Learning design consultation
 - Open planning
 - Design artifacts



ART100 prototype

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- TRU's first contribution: *ART100 Art Appreciation and Techniques*
- Redesigned from existing OER
 - ▣ Course from Saylor.com via WA State Board of Community Colleges Open Course Library
 - ▣ Modified/revised/remixed content, activities, assessments, etc.
- Working to have it approved as a TRU OL course
- Next course is our own PSYCH course
 - ▣ Based on [open textbook](#)

[Back to Art History](#)

✓ Add this course to your
ePortfolio

Discuss ARTH101 with other
Saylor Students [here!](#)

- ▶ Unit 5 Discussion Question 11
- ▶ Unit 5 Discussion Question 10
- ▶ Unit 1 Worksheet 1
- ▶ Unit 1 Discussion Question #2
- ▶ Unit 1 Assignment 1

✓ Questions? Consult the
FAQs!

✓ Search Q&A Center

Resource Center

- ▶ Activities
- ▶ Readings
- ▶ Assessments
- ▶ Web Media
- ▶ Final Exam
- ▶ Syllabus

Art Appreciation and Techniques

Purpose of Course [SHOW](#)

Course Information [SHOW](#)

Learning Outcomes [SHOW](#)

Course Requirements [SHOW](#)

Unit 1 Unit 2 Unit 3 Unit 4 Unit 5 Unit 6 Unit 7 Unit 8 Unit 9 Final Exam All Units

Unit Outline [SHOW](#)

Unit 1: Definitions, Artistic Roles, and Visual Thinking

[EXPAND ALL RESOURCES](#)

How would you define art? For many people, art is a tangible entity: a painting, sculpture, photograph, dance, poem, or play. Art is uniquely human and tied directly to culture. As an expressive medium, it allows us to experience joy, sorrow, confusion, and clarity. It gives voice to ideas and feelings, connects us to the past, reflects the present, and anticipates the future. Visual art is a rich and complex subject whose definition is in flux as the culture around it changes. This unit examines how art is defined, and the different ways it functions in societies and cultures.

Unit 1 Time Advisory [show](#)

Unit 1 Learning Outcomes [show](#)

1.1 Form and Content

- ▶ Activity: The Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges: Art Appreciation: "Discussion Question #1: Expose Yourself to Art"

Art Appreciation and Techniques

- [Overview](#)
- [Content](#)

Sample features of OERu ART100 design

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- Ways to engage
- Units and assignments
- Art resources
- Sample unit Art Definitions, Artistic Roles, and Visual thinking

Welcome and outcomes

< Art Appreciation and Techniques

Art Appreciation and Techniques (#OERuART100)



Course guide | **Welcome_and_outcomes** | Ways to engage | Links to art resources | Assignments | Links to units and assignments | Development team

HOME

Copyright

Welcome

This course is intended for a very broad audience. You may never have studied art formally, and you may not be an artist yourself. On the other hand, you may already be involved in art production. Whatever your background, if you wish to learn about art appreciation and some of the basic techniques of art production, this course is for you.



Artists' statements

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There are only a few images that are not forced to provide meaning, or have to go through the filter of a specific idea.

”

—Jean Baudrillard^[1]



Montage of faces from different types of art

The design process

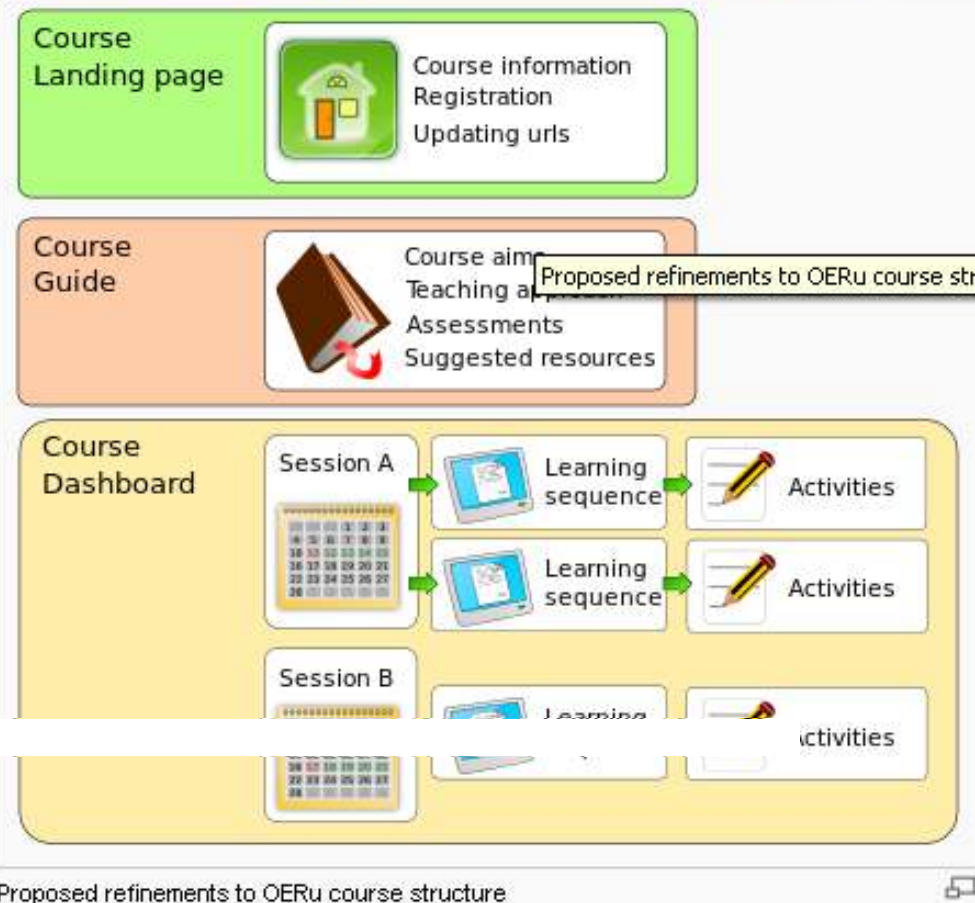
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- Lessons learned
- Conclusion

Online Courses (mOOC) where micro refers to a subcomponent of a course, for example 30% of the learning outcomes and corresponding course credits. This establishes a pathway to implement OERu micro-credentials where successful learners can earn partial credit towards a course, for example 1 credit for a 3 credit course in the North American system or 5 credits towards a 15 credit course in New Zealand. The design and development of the Elite Sport Performance mOOC at the University of Southern Queensland combined with the experience of offering the SP4Ed mOOCs and reconfiguring the OCL4Ed workshop into mOOC format has highlighted the need for refining the OERu course structure and nomenclature of subcomponents of a course.

4. These developments have informed a proposed improvement to the OERu course structure and changes to the nomenclature used for the subcomponents of an OERu course. These refinements are necessary to accommodate the introduction of micro Open Online Courses. We propose that an OERu course is divided into three components:

- **Course landing page:** The course landing page provides a brief overview of the course. This is the page where learners can register for the course. Registration is optional and used to email course announcements and instructions. OERu courses may award badges or optional certificates of participation. Certification for participation can be measured by contributions to the course using microblog, blog and forum posts. Consequently, registration of the social media sites learners are using should be incorporated into the registration form.
 - **Course guide:** Provides overall information about the course. Learners should start with the course guide. The course guide provides information on the course aims, teaching approach, recommended resources, assessments and required assignment(s) for learners taking an OERu course for credit.
 - **Course dashboard:** The course dashboard contains all the links needed for studying an OERu course. We propose that the course dashboard is divided into sessions for cohort based courses. The learning sessions direct learners through one or more learning sequences. Learning activities including more comprehensive E-Activities should be embedded within the learning sequences.
5. We propose that the subcomponents of the Course landing page are divided into "Sessions" and "Learning sequences" to facilitate multiple reuse scenarios whereby mOOCs could be incorporated into different university courses.
 6. The OER Foundation has developed a [mockup of the proposed structure](#) using an iframe to remove redundant wiki navigation used by course developers and not needed for learning purposes.



- Course developers should not include institutional logos of the original contributors on OERu course pages or navigation templates.

Guidelines for course components

Course guide

- Each OERu course should develop a generic introductory resource called a **Course guide**
- The Course guide should include a course overview, outcomes, list of resources and assignments.
- To facilitate reuse across the OERu network, the Course guide should not include institution specific information, for example, university contact details. These will be provided by the respective institutions who decide to reuse OERu courses locally.
- OERu partners are free to develop their own custom assessments. In cases where partners choose not to use the original assessments, they take responsibility for developing the customised assessments. (As a wiki, customised assessment pages can be incorporated into unique course content for individual institutions.)

Community-based question and answer forum

- The OERu 2012 prototype courses will trial [AskBot](#) as a question and answer database for content specific and general student support.
- Further detail to be developed the wiki way.

Guidelines for layout of wiki course pages

Images

- Images should be placed in a [frame or thumbnail](#)
- Captions should be used within the frame or thumbnail
- Metadata relating to attribution, license, source etc. should be included on the image page (**not** on the content page).
- Layout considerations taking into account different screen sizes for viewing content and print-versions of the pages
 - Avoid placing images directly after each other - separate with text
 - When using photos or images and aligning these left or right, we recommend an image size of 350 - 400 pixels, unless the context justifies a larger image. Larger images should be centered on the page.)
- Before uploading a new image to WikiEducator, consider searching and using an image from [commons.wikimedia.org](#), as these images are free as to attribution, license, source, etc. and easy to add to any page on WikiEducator (see [using an image from Wikimedia Commons](#)). And of course, we encourage to upload openly copyrighted images to commons.wikimedia as a way to "share the wealth" ([upload instructions](#)).

Editorial checklist

Research design

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- Comparative case study
 - ▣ Scope: one course developed over a fixed period of time in OERu
 - ▣ Similar case study in OSS used for comparison: Freenet (von Krogh et al., 2003)
 - ▣ Highlight “relationships, contrasts and similarities
 - ▣ Extend learning from one case to the other (Khan & VanWynsberghe, 2008)

Data analysis

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- Collection of content in ATLAS.ti QDA
- Initial coding of content (Soldaña, 2009)
- Secondary grouping, multiple iterations generating themes
- Qualitative, narrative portrait (Auerbach and Silverstein, 2003)
- Frequent cross-checks back and forth
- Trustworthiness: Triangulation, overlapping, member checks, audit trail (Guba, 1981; Guba & Lincoln, 1982; Yin, 2009)

Methodology

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Findings

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- Two over-arching themes
 - ▣ Designing for openness
 - ▣ A community of volunteers



Street Musicians. [Eugène Atget](#). PD-US-1923.

Lessons learned

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- Ways to engage – multiple methods, multiple audiences
- Towards a developer community



Street Musicians. [Eugène Atget](#). PD-US-1923

Lessons learned

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□ Designing with OERs

- File formats
- LMS
- Multiple versions
- Schedules and timetables
- Embedded cohort model
- Copyright issues
- Cultural biases

□ Developing as OERs

- Maintain editable source files
- Open environment
- Transparent versions/forks
- Maintain flexibility
- Design for choices
- Go CC!
- Consider cultural diversity



New interfaces

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- OCLEd example
- Extracted from wiki outline
- Wordpress concept
- For the geeks...



Lessons learned

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- Importance of developer community
 - ▣ Developer motivations (want to make a contribution)
 - ▣ A community of volunteers (attrition) – needs to grow
 - ▣ Division of labor - developer specializations (multiple roles)
 - ▣ Mentoring
 - ▣ Shared and standardized communication habits (essential for shared understanding of project)
 - ▣ Mediating artifacts

“When code [open curriculum] and community do not develop in parallel, the learning curve can be steep” (O’Mahoney, 2007)

Lessons learned

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- Institutional constraints — assessment and credit, curricular oversight

http://wikieducator.org/Art_Appreciation_and_Techniques/Module_3a

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

		PICK 3 Assignments (Summative)
1	Interpret examples of visual art using a five-step critical process that includes description, analysis, context, meaning, and judgment.	Also use Module 4 Assignment 3 (Saylor)
2	Identify and describe the elements and principles of art.	Assignment "Worksheet 3" Module 3 (Saylor) - tweak it -
3	Use analytical skills to connect formal attributes of art with their meaning and expression.	Assignment 5 0 Module 7 (Saylor)
4	Explain the role and effect of the visual arts in societies, history, and other world cultures.	Assignment 1 (Saylor) Module 1 -
5	Articulate the political, social, cultural, and aesthetic themes and issues that artists examine in their work.	Assignment 4, Module 5 (Saylor)
6	Identify the processes and materials involved in art and architectural production.	Formative quiz in relevant modules Worksheet 6 - Module 6 (Saylor) and Discussion Question 12 from Module 8 (Saylor) and Worksheet 10, Module 10 (Saylor)
7	Utilize information to locate, evaluate, and communicate information about visual art in its various forms.	Build portfolio through course - integrate as final portfolio piece - Curatorial statements - Assignment 6, Module 10 (Saylor)
End of course	Final comprehensive assignment	
	Module Goals	Individual
	Define 'art' within a cultural perspective.	Quizzes for each Module Reflective questions
		Activities
		Group
		(Optional) Discussion questions

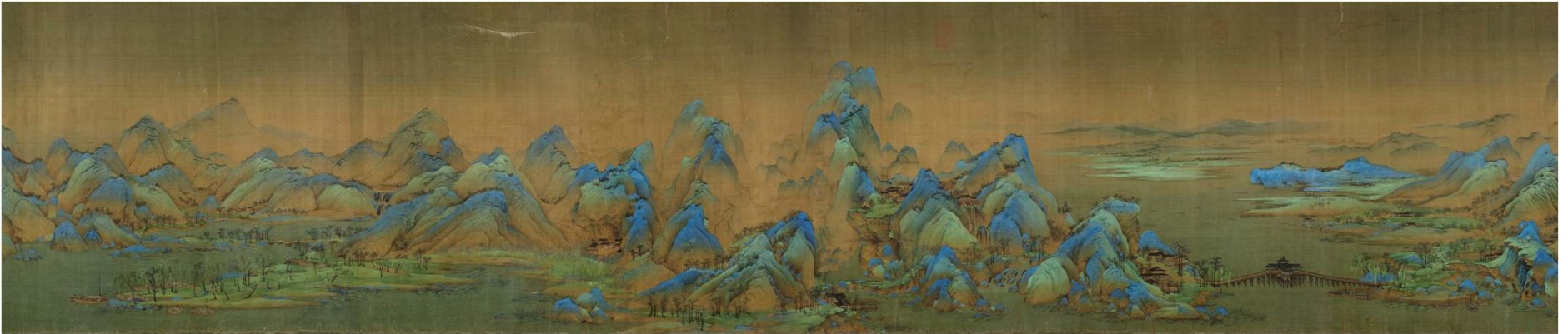
Assignment example

Lessons learned

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- Wiki environment
 - ▣ Wiki challenges

- Wiki environment
 - ▣ Training in Wiki use is essential



Lessons learned

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- Communication habits, use of appropriate channels and protocols is essential
 - ▣ Decision histories for later joiners
 - ▣ Shared understandings and approaches

Active

- [OERu Communications](#)
- [OERu Master plan](#) (To be updated)
- [OERu project evaluation](#) (Ongoing)
 - [POERUP OERu case study](#)
- [Open planning for OERu 2013.11 meeting of anchor partners](#)

Quicklinks to resources
[Wiki text for OERu developers](#)
[OERu style guide](#)
[OERu reuse pages](#)
Completed

- [TOUCANS Research questionnaire consultation](#)
- [Brainstorm page for project planning](#)
- [OERu context evaluation](#)
- [Open Praxis OERu paper](#)

Open curriculum

edit

Active

- None

Completed

- *Activities for Selecting 2012 prototype:* [Brainstorm on criteria for course contributions](#) | [Process for selecting initial courses for 2012 prototype](#) | [Ranking criteria for selection of 2012 prototype](#) | [List of nominations for 2012 prototype](#) | [Rough consensus poll for 2012 prototype](#) | [Proposed decision for 2012 Prototype](#)
- *Activities for 2nd instalment of prototypes:* [Process for selecting 2nd installment of prototype courses](#) | [List of nominations for 2nd installment of prototype courses](#)
- *Activity for nominating courses for the launch website:* [Course nominations for listing on OERu launch website](#)

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Open credential services

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Active

- [OERu assessment, credit-transfer, credentialing and course reuse scenarios](#)
- [OERu open badge scoping activity](#)

Dormant"

- [Brainstorm of summative assessment issues](#)

Open community service

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Active**Open business models**

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Mailing lists

List	Purpose	Archives	Post
OERu	Discussion and planning list <i>for OERu partners</i> .	archives	email
OER-university	Open discussion by anyone interested in the OERu initiative.	archives	email web
WikiEducator-tech	Announcements and discussion about WikiEducator and other OER Foundation technology.	archives	email web
WikiEducator	Main WikiEducator community list.	archives	email web

N.B. Posting to the mailing lists requires being a member (subscriber) of the list.

Forums

Forum	Purpose
OERu Planning Group	Planning the implementation of the OERu
OER university	Public discussion forum (and target of links from the official website)

Future Plans

Want to organize a workgroup? Find a critical mass of people on the mailing lists or forums. Once established, you can create your own mailing list or forum to advance your efforts.

Twitter

Handle	Description
@OERuniversity	Official Twitter account of the OER university initiative
@Mackiwg	Wayne Mackintosh, Director of the OER Foundation (frequently tweets about #OERu and #WikiEducator)

WEnotes

Tag	Description
#oeru	Aggregate feed of #OERu from Twitter, g+, WikiEducator, blogs

Category: OER University

Table 4.1: Development project comparisons

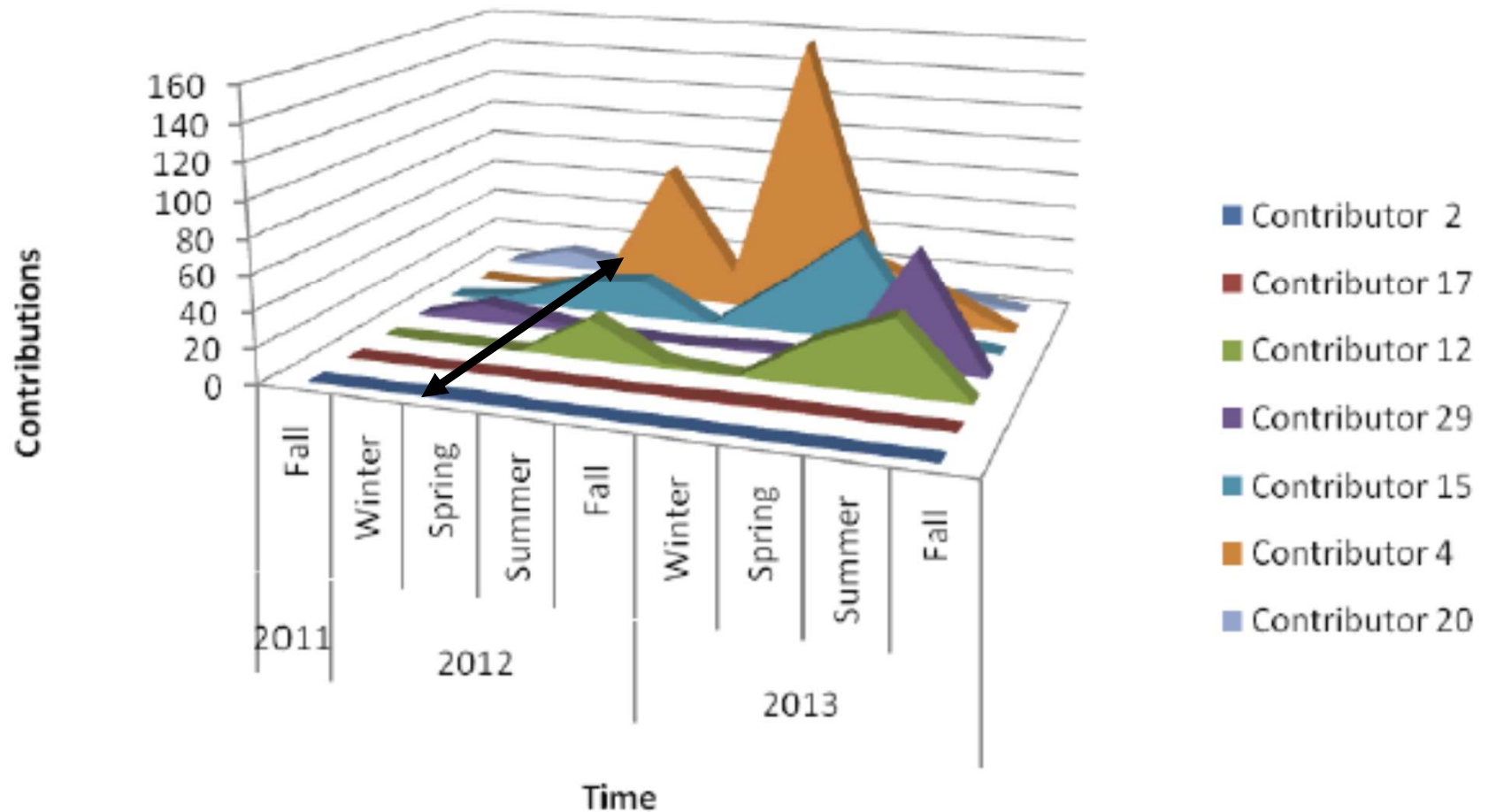
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Contributors	Volunteers, motivated by open philosophy and personal /organizational benefit	Paid faculty or staff	Volunteers, motivated by open philosophy and personal benefit	Volunteers, motivated by open philosophy and personal benefit
Makeup of design team	Distributed	Centralized	Distributed	Distributed
Induction into the development team	No specific method	Employment orientation and training	Based on skill and level of involvement	Graduated based skill and level of involvement
Access to contribute	Member community open to public including students downstream	Private — but some possible input by students	Member community open to public — access to committing code versions varies	Member community open to public — controlled access to committing code versions
Roles of design team members	Loosely defined, overlapping, broad skills	Specialized, clearly defined	Varied, overlapping, specialized skills	Specialized skills
Organizational structure	Flat, collaborative, representational, some meritocratic	Hierarchical or faculty based	Meritocratic	Meritocratic
Communication	F-F and virtual meetings, mailing lists, wiki pages, microblogs	Mostly business communication tools (email, meetings)	Mailing lists, forums, USENET, IRC, conferences, local user groups	Mainly email lists, also concurrent versions system (CVS)

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Aspect	Open Design and Development	Traditional Instructional Design	Open Source Software	Freenet Case Study (as in 2002)
Intended uses	As originally intended or repurposed for multiple uses and settings	Defined purpose determined in learner, job, institutional or market analysis	As is or modified for other needs, for open public and personal or employer use	For specific intended purpose by project administrators and community
Content copyright	Open licensing (cc) with some rights reserved	Mostly rights reserved	Free cultural works licensing, mostly GPL	Free cultural works licensing, mostly GPL
Content versions	Multiple possible via forks	Official version	Multiple possible via forks	Multiple possible via forks
Design processes	Informal design processes	More formal design processes and documentation	Informal design processes	Informal design processes
Authoring environment	Open source social software	Proprietary	Open source CVS management tools	Open source CVS management tools
Delivery environment	Wiki, LMS, other options	Dedicated proprietary application	Varies	Peer-to-peer networks
Pedagogy	Varied, depending on individual development teams and their preferences	Generally in line with overarching institutional model	N/A	N/A
Structure	Modular	Generally more linear	Modular	Modular
Maintenance	Ongoing, community based	Episodic, managed	Ongoing, community based	Ongoing, community based

Developer contributions

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Potential and promises

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- Collaboration towards open learning opportunities beyond traditional constraints
- Develop global community of OEP @ instructional design and development expertise using OER
- Messaging about access and student costs
- See OER from viewpoints of creation and reuse
- A new way of thinking and working together
- Process stays grounded at grassroots level
- Use OER projects as catalyst for institutional innovation

Limitations

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- Differences between Freenet comparator and OERu cases
- Bracketing of other developments both within and outside OERu
- Limited timespan of study
- Small developer sample



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Areas needing more exploration

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- Partner institutions' perceptions/acceptance of differently structured courses for credit
- Recruitment and retention of volunteer developers outside institutional volunteers
- Developer roles and responsibilities
- Further integration/use of Web 2.0 tools
- Alternative collaborations – e.g. sprints, hackathons
- Design research specific to course design

Ways to engage

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Next steps

- ☐ Participate in management committee
- ☐ Create an account in WikiEducator
- ☐ Join a mail list
- ☐ Enrol in OCL4Ed
- ☐ **Develop a course**

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- Rationalistic tradition of instructional design models (Richey et al., 2011)
- Situated, iterative nature of practice / instructional design (e.g. Rowland, 1992; Suchman, 2007)
- Reusability: conduit and encapsulation metaphors (Griffiths and Garcia, 2003)

“In order to achieve a convergence of meaning, knowledge has to be acquired by doing and experiencing: becoming a reflective practitioner” (Brown, Collins & Duguid, 1991)



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