Textbook Affordability Subcommittee Report
for ASGC Meeting of 12 September 2024

Subcommittee Updates

- We need you! Looking for division representatives from all divisions!
- Among the Distance Education folks, the group decided to have just one representative. Allison Hughes (Instructional Designer) will term off, and Nada Nekrep (Online Education Coordinator) will continue on TAS.

ZTC Adopter Program

- The Summer 2024 cohort saw the following projects completed:
  - BUS 230, International Marketing, textbook remix plus Canvas sandbox (Janet Laurin)
  - CHEM 231, Organic Chemistry I, textbook remix (Sol Parajón Puenzo)
  - CHEM 192, Elementary Chemistry Lab, lab manual adoption/remix (Camile Kaslan)
  - COMM 140, Small Group Conversation, textbook remix and Canvas sandbox (John Pérez)
  - MUS 250, World Music, textbook remix plus Canvas sandbox (David Meckler)
- The Fall 2024 cohort has now closed. More information next month (and at our TAS meeting later this month) on projects that were submitted for application.

Cañada's Plans for CCCCO ZTC Grants

- Statewide cohorts for the Acceleration Grant plans have finished their work and [reports](#) are being generated. The following disciplines already have reports:
  - [Geology](#)
  - [Humanities](#)
  - [Philosophy](#)
  - [Political Science](#)
  - [Social Work and Human Services](#)
- There are key resources, especially in [reported OER usage by C-ID](#). Check out what's being used!
- Our Acceleration Grant cohorts (ECE, MATH) in progress!
  - ECE AS-T with Digital Learning Enhancement is mostly finished and in final revision stage. The project is slated to finish ahead of the Spring 2025 term.
  - MATH AS-T with Competency- and Equity-Based Learning is starting their planning now; work will begin in Spring 2025 semester with Fall 2025 implementation.
- Further funding coming to support Digital Art and Animation (Acceleration II Grant). More information on this at this month's TAS meeting and in the October report.

OER/ZTC 'Program Review' Data

Last semester, TAS put together a review of the [enrollment, success and retention data](#) on ZTC and LTC courses, as a way of measuring the mid-point of the OER/ZTC Implementation Plan. This review, plus the comments made by TAS members on further planning, was presented at the Online Teaching Conference 2024 (June), Cal OER 2024 (August) and will be presented at the Open Education Conference 2024 (October). Initial feedback has been very supportive. In October's report there will be updates to these data to show how progress has continued.

Reminder about Textbook Adoptions and SB 893

- SB 893, the legislation that allows the District to fund the Free College Initiative, has specific restrictions with respect to how students in the program can purchase their course materials.
  - SB 893 textbook funds are *only* available for materials that can be purchased through the college bookstore.
  - SB 893 covers textbook costs for students who show financial need and/or who are eligible for the non-resident tuition waiver.
- The more courses and sections that are converted to ZTC or LTC, the further these dollars can go!
  - If you're using ZTC materials—especially those that are open-source—you can make a print option copy available. That way, your students can use their financial aid funds to purchase that print copy. Ask Jai for more info!

Meetings
Our next meeting will be 24 September, 1-2pm, in 13-337 and via [Zoom](). All are welcome!

ASCCC OERI News and Events
The OERI is currently recruiting Discipline Leads for 2024 – 2025. And new Leads who wish to can begin their work over the summer. Discipline Leads receive a stipend of $500 per term for completing their assigned tasks and are also eligible to receive a stipend for taking the OERI's courses. [Read more about the Discipline Lead role]() and the process for applying.

The OERI encourages faculty in all disciplines to apply. While we are presently recruiting Leads for the following disciplines, we are always happy to consider others.

- Business
- Education
- Film, Television, and Electronic Media
- Geography
- History
- Humanities
- Music
- Social Justice Studies
- Social Work and Human Services
- Sociology

OERI Webinars
September is a quiet month for webinars. More webinars are being planned for October.