

# Get Started with Open Educational Resources

What is OER? What differentiates OER from traditional instructional materials, and what are the pros and cons of each? How could your school or district launch an OER initiative to adopt and adapt resources that are right for you?

There are some of the questions educators will work through in ISTE U's premier online course on open educational resources. Through this course, all types of educators will be empowered to become active participants in the creation and modification of high-quality, transformative instructional resources.

# Through this course, educators will:

- Unpack the basics of OER, including different types of licensing.
- Review and evaluate existing OER materials, repositories, and rubrics.
- Learn to "make the case" to district stakeholders to adopt and adapt appropriate OER.

Learn more and enroll at iste.org/OERCourse

#### **Course details**

• **Grade Level:** PreK-12

• Course length: 15 hours

• Cost: \$186 ISTE Member, \$249 Non-member

 Structure: Self-paced with ongoing instructor support



### **Course Flow**

Module 1: Basics of OER

Module 2: Let's Talk Licensing

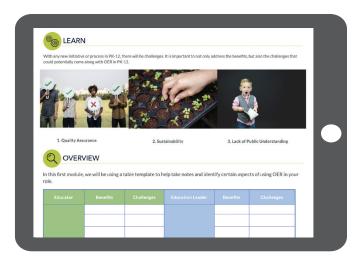
Module 3: Exploring Creative Commons Licenses

Module 4: Curating Content: Finding and Using OER

Module 5: Evaluating Instructional Materials

Module 6: Identifying Phases of Going Open

Module 7: Final Reflection



## **Connected to the ISTE Standards for Educators**

This course helps teachers address several indicators in the ISTE Standards for Educators, including:

LEARNER 1.a.	Set professional learning goals to explore and apply pedagogical approaches made possible by technology and reflect on their effectiveness.
LEARNER 1.b.	Pursue professional interests by creating and actively participating in local and global learning networks.
LEADER 2.c.	Model for colleagues the identification, exploration, evaluation, curation, and adoption of new digital resources and tools for learning.
CITIZEN 3.b.	Establish a learning culture that promotes curiosity and critical examination of online resources and fosters digital literacy and media fluency.
CITIZEN 3.c.	Mentor students in safe, legal and ethical practices with digital tools and the protection of intellectual rights and property.
DESIGNER 5.c.	Explore and apply instructional design principles to create innovative digital learning environments that engage and support learning.

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#### **About ISTE U**

ISTE U is a virtual hub of best-in-class professional learning courses to help educators build critical skills for teaching and learning in a digital world. By working with leading educators and education organizations, ISTE U provides research-based, impactful, engaging courses that put pedagogy first and help you transform teaching and learning.

#### **Graduate-level credit**

Participants in ISTE U courses can earn graduate-level credit for an additional fee with one of ISTE's accredited graduate-level credit partners.

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