

## **Finding OER**

Travis Kabota and Quill West

OER can be found in lots of places and in lots of ways. Here are your best bets. Full Courses

**Open Course Library** (<u>https://sites.google.com/a/sbctc.edu/opencourselibrary/</u>): Library of fullybuilt, high-demand courses (mostly commonly-numbered courses) in the WA Community and Technical College System

**Saylor.org** (<u>http://www.saylor.org/</u>): Courses and whole degree programs in 15+ subject areas. All courses are protected under Creative Commons—Attribution license. This means that you can use, remix, and modify their courses in revising your own courses (some of the individual materials in the Saylor.org courses may be protected by copyright held by a third party)

**Open Courseware Consortium** (<u>http://www.ocwconsortium.org/</u>): Compilation of thousands of open-source courses from across the world

## **Resources and Full Textbooks**

**OER Commons** (<u>http://oercommons.org</u>): collections of open-source materials for a variety of academic disciplines

**CCCOER** (<u>http://oerconsortium.org/discipline-specific/</u>): another collection of open-source materials for a variety of academic disciplines

**Boundless Textbooks** (<u>http://www.boundless.com</u>): free, open-source, modifiable textbooks **OpenStaxCollege**: (<u>http://openstaxcollege.org/</u>): free, open-source books of very high quality. **MERLOT**: (<u>http://www.merlot.org/merlot/index.htm</u>), while not everything on MERLOT is open, it is all openly available.

## Search Engines

Google (<u>http://google.com</u>): Advanced search by license.

Creative Commons (http://creativecommons.org/): Try the "explore" box and the Find CC-Licensed works button to find many OER resources.

To find more please visit the **TCC OER Project** (<u>http://open.tacomacc.edu/</u>). There is a very useful list of OER search tools available there.

