

ACADEMIC SENATE FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

# OER Liaison Newsletter - August 2021 •

Welcome Back OER Liaisons!

Whether your term has started or you still have some summer left, we wanted to share a professional development opportunity and provide you with some important updates as you look forward to the term ahead.

## Cal OER

It was great to see many of you at Cal OER at the beginning of August. We hope that this event will become an annual opportunity for California faculty to share and celebrate their OER and ZTC work. If you attended, please remember you can access all event resources in Pathable through August 2022. Learn more about the event on the Cal OER website (www.caloer.org/) or access selected archived presentations on the Cal OER YouTube channel (tinyurl.com/CalOERYouTube). You might also consider sharing the archived presentations with interested colleagues at your college.

#### • 115 Million •

Shortly before Cal OER, the legislature's allocation of 115 million dollars to expand zero textbook cost (ZTC) degrees in the California community colleges was announced. This investment is exciting but challenging. We look forward to discussing our vision for these funds and learning about yours. It is hoped that these funds will elevate your OER work and facilitate the institutionalization of OER systemwide.

## OERI Opportunities

OERI is seeking new and additional Discipline Leads for the current term as well as reviewers for our RFP 3 projects.

If you previously submitted an application, we have your information, and you will be considered for any available roles in which you indicated an interest. If you are uncertain as to what roles you indicated in your application, you may either resubmit the application or submit a letter describing your interests and qualifications to the <u>ASCCC OERI</u>.

Both the <u>ASCCC OERI Application</u> and the <u>ASCCC Faculty Application for</u> <u>Statewide Service</u> need to be completed. We accept applications on an on-going basis, but encourage those who are interested to submit as soon as possible to ensure consideration.

## Mark Your Calendars

During the fall 2021 term, our Weekly OER Webinars will be on Fridays at 10:30 am beginning September 10. Our complete schedule of events for September will be made available on or before September 1, as will the Fall 2021 OER Liaisons Expectations document. As has been our past practice, we kick-off the term with a webinar to prepare you for your OER Liaison role. We look forward to seeing you at one of our Fall 2021 OERL Kick-Off webinars.

## Fall 2021 OERL Kick-Off Schedule

#### August

Register for the Friday, August 27, 9-10 am OERL Kick-Off

#### September

Register for the Wednesday, September 1, 12-1 pm OERL Kick-Off Register for the Thursday, September 16, 3-4 pm OERL Kick-Off Register for the Monday, September 27, 3-4pm OERL Kick-Off

#### October

Register for the Friday, October 15, 12-1 pm OERL Kick-Off