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Open Educational Resources for Fire Technology

Greetings! This message is being sent by the ASCCC Open Educational Resources (OER) Initiative on behalf of a faculty member who is seeking colleagues to collaborate on OER for teaching fire technology courses. As the OERI requires that funded projects involve collaborators from at least three California Community College districts, we are assisting potential applicants who need collaborators. The need is described as follows:

I would be interested in working with personnel who have a vast experience in the fire service and who can bring passion to the project. The team would consist of a collaborative effort of those within the Fire Technology community. I am looking for people who are detail oriented, motivated and who understand the proposed audience of this material. Team members would be expected to have the ability to work alone and meet the deadlines imposed by the team or by the grant. I would hope to have team members who are either or have access to subject matter experts in some of the courses such as Fire Behavior and Chemistry/Combustion, Fire Investigations, Hazardous Materials, Rescue Practices, and Fire Apparatus. I foresee the core classes being divided amongst the team members with collaboration taking place at the periodic check-ins. Each team member's work would be reviewed by the others to ensure quality and for clarity, if possible. Team members would be encouraged to reach out to others for questions and for ideas.

If you are interested in this opportunity or have any questions about it, please contact <u>Ken Kwong</u>. Please forward this message on to anyone who might be interested.

The <u>ASCCC Open Educational Resources Initiative</u> (OERI) provides statewide professional development and funding opportunities to support the expansion of the adoption of Open Educational Resources (OER) in the California Community Colleges. "OER" refers to teaching and learning materials that are freely available online for everyone to use and includes course modules, lectures, homework assignments, lab and classroom activities, pedagogical materials, games, simulations, and many more resources contained in digital media collections from around the world (as defined by <u>OER Commons</u>). OER most often refers to openly-licensed textbooks and ancillary materials that are available at little or no cost to students. The OERI facilitates and coordinates the curation and development of OER texts, ancillaries, and support systems. In addition, the OERI supports local OER implementation efforts by offering professional development, technical support, and technical resources.