



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 an OER proposal in response to the [ASCCC OERI's Request for Proposals](#). As the OERI requires that funded projects involve collaborators from at least three California Community College districts who would use the proposed resource or resources, we are assisting potential applicants who need collaborators. The need is described as follows:

English as a Second Language (ESL) Grammar and Writing IV

The proposed project would consist of curating a collection of reading passages from [VOA Learning English](#) and adding reading, writing, vocabulary, and discussion activities for use in either in-person or online classes.

Each team member would find high-interest reading passages on the [VOA Learning English](#) website and add reading, writing, vocabulary, and discussion activities. The Project Lead would be responsible for editing and compiling the readings and activities. The goal would be to have around 20 lessons available.

If you are interested in this opportunity or have any questions about it, [please contact Rachel Orfila at orfilark@lasc.edu](#). Please forward this message on to anyone who might be interested.

The [ASCCC Open Educational Resources Initiative](#) (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 [OER Commons](#)). 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.