



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:

[Geology of California \(C-ID GEOL 200\)](#)

At present there are no OER materials and few traditional texts that specifically support Geology of California (C-ID GEOL 200). The project lead proposes the development of a freely available online textbook that offers an immersive look at our state's geology through the use of text, imagery, 360° photospheres, and interactive activities (e.g. H5P). This text will target non-major students who may or may not have previous college-level geology exposure. They hope to continue improving the resource after soliciting feedback from the broader community of community college geology instructors.

They seek the collaboration of California Community College educators with a background in any discipline of geology or expertise of at least one of the various physiographic provinces of California (e.g. coast ranges, great valley, Sierra Nevada, Mojave desert, etc.). They envision each member of the team participating as a chapter author, editor, and/or tester.

If you are interested in this opportunity or have any questions about it, [please contact Allison Jones at \[ajones124@sierracollege.edu\]\(mailto:ajones124@sierracollege.edu\)](#). 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.