Open Educational Resources (OER)

OER By State Department
OER offer tremendous opportunities for international students to gain remote access to U.S. university-level learning opportunities. On January 28, U.S. Government launched ***The Open Book Project***, a new Department initiative, with the Arab League, Education Culture and Science Organization, and leading education innovators. http://goo.gl/pEOjM

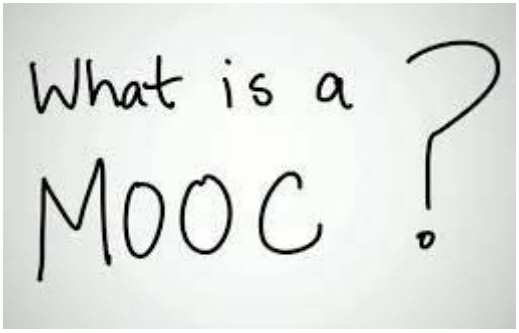
OER Hubs: The following sites offer great, centralized locations to search and grab a variety of open educational resources.

- OER Commons: http://www.oercommons.org/
- Connexions: http://cnx.org/
- Saylor.org: http://www.saylor.org/
- Hewlett Foundation: http://goo.gl/V2mWh
- UNESCO OER: http://goo.gl/XiM0P
- UKOER: http://goo.gl/4Mmxj
- Wikepedia OER: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open_educational_resources
- More resources on OER: http://goo.gl/8ISBz

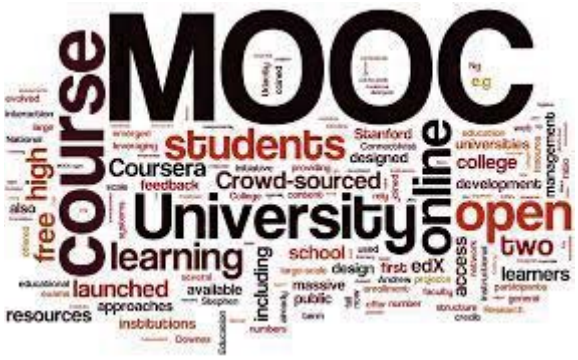
Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs), a subset of **OER**, are a recent variant of online education and consist of online courses proctored by a course instructor. **MOOC** is a model for delivering learning content online to any person who wants to take a course, with no limit on attendance. Read further at http://bit.ly/XZe5dG

Examples of MOOCs

- edX: https://www.edx.org/
- Udacity: https://www.udacity.com/
- Coursera: https://www.coursera.org/
- Academic Earth: www.academicearth.org/
- Open Education Database: http://oedb.org/open/



1.) **What are MOOCs?** http://bit.ly/Z3hfgI
Read "*7 Things You Should Know About MOOCs*" http://bit.ly/XqZQUi or Watch this video at http://bit.ly/14G7oEv
2.) **Who Owns a MOOC?** http://bit.ly/Zbg2u2
3.) **What do Librarians need to know about MOOCs?** http://bit.ly/Yvixof
4.) **Search Engines/Lists for MOOC**:
   a. MOOC List - Searchable http://www.mooc-list.com/
   b. List from Saylor.org http://bit.ly/10yuHuz
   c. Search Class-Central http://www.class-central.com
   d. All Lists http://www.mooc.ca/courses.htm
5.) **MOOCs you could take immediately with Exams**.
   a. Web Development http://bit.ly/XqXG6V
   b. Mobile Applications Development http://bit.ly/10AE9MM
   c. Management Information Systems http://bit.ly/16qyNHb
   d. Strategic Information Technology http://bit.ly/14G67NQ
   e. Principles of Marketing http://bit.ly/14Pqybr
   f. How to Build Your Blog http://bit.ly/14G5IuP
6.) **Articles on MOOC**:
   a. Survey of the minds behind the MOOCs: "What is it like to teach 10,000 or more students at once, and does it really work?" http://bit.ly/Z1fuRj
   b. Colleges Assess Cost of Free Online-Only Courses: http://nyti.ms/16vEYvA
   c. More articles on MOOC http://bit.ly/10ttrtQ



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