



Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College

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Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College – What is Open

What is open?

Open = resources that are shared with permission to retain, reuse, revise, remix AND redistribute (5Rs)

Resources include:

- . Software (Opensource)
- . Platforms
- . Systems (Open Systems>transparency)
- . Data (Open Data)
- . Open Content (Open Educational Resources; Open Textbooks, Open Courseware, among others)
- . Our OER resources

Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College – Getting started

Getting started with Open

- Don't re-invent the wheel - adapt content
- When writing or updating curriculum, consider open resources
- Partner with other faculty to evaluate or create content
- Get students involved - OER as classwork

Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College – What we are doing

What we are doing:

- TAACCCT Grant (Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College & Career Training) to support Engineering Technology
 - *Includes support for Open Resources including OER: Faculty to use OER when possible & to release content under creative commons (if possible)*
- Repository of OER and Open Textbooks

Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College – Gathering resources

What we are doing: Gathering resources & participating

- Participating at regional, national, and global levels
 - Open Access Week, OpenEd Conference, CCCOER, Symposium on the Textbook, FETC, reviewers for Affordable Learning Georgia

Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College - Education

What we are doing: Education

- Professional development & training - OER specific and general technology
- Guest speakers - Affordable Learning Georgia
- One-page informational flyers for OER

Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College – Getting the conversation started

What we are doing: Getting the conversation started

- Talking about OER everywhere - incorporating it into conversations about online learning & flipped classrooms
- Brown Bag Luncheons
- OER Committee - Advocates
- Dismantling myths - the “Skeptics Corner”

Building an Open Community at Athens Technical College - Curation

What we are doing: Curation

- Work closely with faculty to identify specific resources in their subject areas (Criminal Justice, Engineering Technology, among others)
- Identify content for inclusion in the repository to build a repository of content by subject

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