



# OHIO

## Midwestern Open Education Summit 2026



### Who We Are

OhioLINK – Director of Affordable Learning Initiatives



#### Member Institutions



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At least 18 OER-focused staff members at different Ohio colleges and universities, and countless others who do the work as part of their jobs.

### What We Have Accomplished

- 8 cohorts of OER Course Redesign Faculty Grants since the inception of the program in 2022
  - 238 faculty from 64 different Ohio colleges and universities
- 26 librarians from 22 different Ohio colleges and universities have received Certificates in Open Education Librarianship from OEN
- Adding OER staff, grants for OER adoption and creation, cost savings (\$4m at Stark State, \$1.7m at MiamiU, \$2m at CSU), dashboards (BGSU, FranklinU, UofAkron)
- Added 4 open semiconductor training courses to our online course repository

### What We're Working On Now

- OpenCon Ohio Preconference and Conference in May 2026 – in person for the first time since 2019!!
- Ohio University Zero Textbook Cost Program
- Cleveland State Received a DOERS Student Success Through OER Rubric Grant for \$10,000
- Kent State will develop a Course Reading List in Leganto
- BGSU is set to publish 9 new OERS and offer 3-4 more creation grants in 2026

### Long Term Goals, Hopes, Dreams

- **Funding, funding, funding**
  - Build in a sustainable statewide line item. Could allow for additional staffing at the statewide level as well as expansion of many projects.
- Develop a centralized and statewide way to collect information and data on OER projects.
- Conduct a statewide survey on textbook affordability
- Provide access to a statewide publishing platform which would allow for more opportunities for institutions that do not have access to a means of publishing OER.

### Resources, Links, Reports, Other Stuff

- ❖ OhioLINK OER Course Content Library
- ❖ OpenCon Ohio
- ❖ OpenTexts Columbus State Community College
- ❖ Bowling Green State University OER
- ❖ OER at Denison



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