

# Open in the North

Showcasing Open Educational Practices in Northern BC

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I wish to gratefully acknowledge the many indigenous nations whose lands we now live, work, and play upon throughout the northern region. I am hosting this event from the traditional territories of the Lheidli T'enneh in the community also known as Prince George



### Keynote

Amanda Coolidge

Director, Open Education, BCcampus

#### My background/ancestry

- England/Ireland
- Mi'kmaq, Nipmuck Nations, and the Wabanaki Confederacy

#### My (formal) learning

Mi'kmaq, Blackfoot, Nakoda, Ts'sutina, and Metis Nations

#### My career

 Mikmaq, Blackfoot, Nakoda, Ts'sutina, Metis Nations, Kenya and the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh nations

#### **Currently work**

• WSÁNEĆ, and the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations of the Ləkwəŋən (Lekwungen) Peoples

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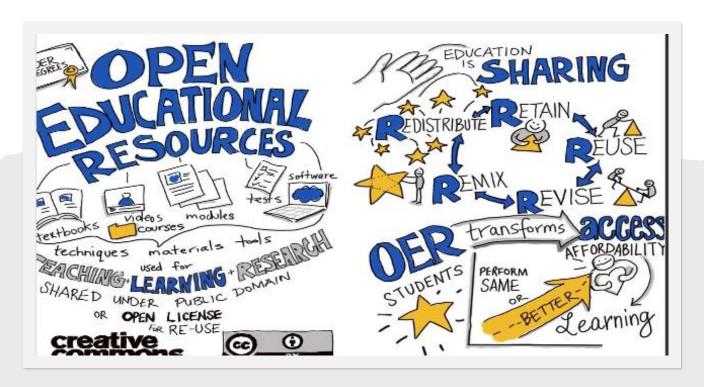
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Definition of OER



### **OPEN PRACTICE**



Open Educational Practices (OEP) is a broad descriptor that includes the creation, use and reuse of OER, open pedagogies, and open sharing of teaching practice.

Catherine Cronin

—Chad Finn, Dean, School of Trades and Technology, Medicine
Hat College

important process than I initially had thought."

and data showed that this was a much more engaging and

"I always knew that involving the students in the creation of their

own learning resources was beneficial. Finally having the research



54% did not buy a textbook

27% took fewer courses

26% did not register

17% dropped or withdrew

Jhangiani, R.S., & Jhangiani, S. (2017). Investigating the perceptions, use and impact of open textbooks: A survey of post-secondary students in British Columbia. *The International Review of Research in Open and Distributed Learning*, 18(4). <a href="https://doi.org/10.19173/irrodl.v18i4.3012">https://doi.org/10.19173/irrodl.v18i4.3012</a>

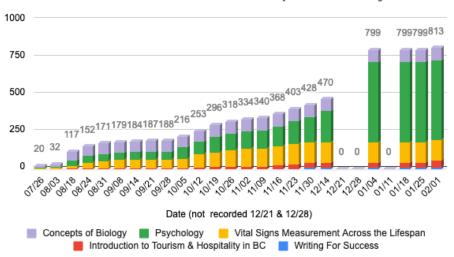


# \$92-\$100 per course for an access code



\$140,000 in one single term

#### **H5P Activities Created for BCcampus OER Projects**



#### Welcome to Carnap.io

A formal logic framework for Haskell

#### Background

Carnap is a free and open software framework written in Haskell for teaching and studying formal logic.

Carnap powers logic courses at dozens of colleges and universities around the world.

if you're a student in a course that uses Carnap, please follow the links at the top of the page to log in and to access course materials.

If you're just curious about Carnap, you can find some general information on our about page. If you're interested in the project, and would like to use Carnap in a class you're teaching, or get involved in some other

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#### **Open Education at BCcampus**

At BCcampus, we're using open technologies to facilitate, evaluate, and create open educational resources to share across the province and around the world; saving millions of student-dollars through hundreds of open textbooks adopted in thousands of classrooms:



41

Institutions



677



Faculty



198,109

Students



\$23,879,378

Savings

## Benefits for students

Physical Geology by Steven Earle. © CC BY.

### **Physical Geology**

Steven Earle

Physical Geology is a comprehensive introductory text on the physical aspects of geology, including rocks and minerals, plate tectonics, earthquakes, volcanoes, glaciation, groundwater, streams, coasts, mass wasting, climate change, planetary geology and much more. It has a strong emphasis on examples from western Canada, especially British Columbia, and also includes a chapter devoted to the geological history of western Canada. The book is a collaboration of faculty from Earth Science departments at Universities and Colleges across British Columbia and elsewhere.



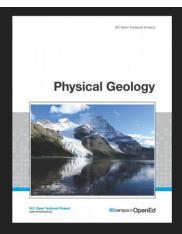


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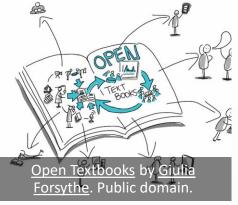
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# Benefits for instructors



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#### Print-on-Demand Guide

Posted: August 9, 2017 | Updated: June 29, 2020

Author: Lauri Aesoph, BCcampus

The updated and expanded Print-on-Demand Guide provides an overview for post-secondary institutions interested in offering on-demand and pre-order printing services for open textbooks and other OER. Discussions on why offering a print option enhances learning accessibility for some students are included, as well as, templates that can be used to take inventory of open educational activity and interest on campus.

#### Subject Areas

Support Resources, Use OER

#### Adoptions:

Tell us you are using this Open Textbook

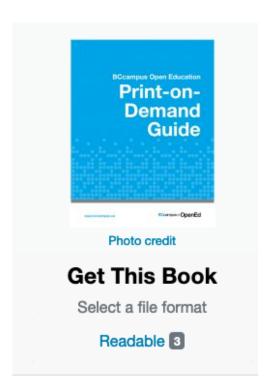
#### Adaptations:

Support for adapting an open textbook

#### Need help?

Visit our help page

#### Accessibility:





#### Guidelines for an Open Education Resource (OER)

#### Reuse:

Content can be reused in its unaltered form

#### Retain:

Users have the right to make, archive, and "own" copies of the content

#### Revise:

Content can be adapted, adjusted, modified or altered

#### Remix:

The original or revised content can be combined with other content to create original, revised

something new or remixed form

Redistribute:

Check out the growing list of OERs at open.bccampus.ca

### OERs can be full courses, learning objects, tests or any other tools, materials, or techniques that support access to knowledge.



#### Open Education Resources

Connect with BCcampus at open.bccampus.ca







Open Textbooks



Videos



Lesson



Software



Games

#### Project: Regional Representatives

Objective: Create a collaborative relationship with smaller institutions in the Northern and Interior regions of B.C., establish an open education network/infrastructure for smaller institutions, and build up capacity for open education.

INVESTMENT: \$450,000



Hired two regional representatives to work with Northern and Interior institutions to improve adoption through activities specific to the institutional needs.

OER creations across Northern and Interior institutions

USB drives distributed. Preloaded with offline OER.



#### Funded:

2 foundation grants

1 sustainability grant

3 research fellows

4 time-investment grants



\$300,000

Students savings in Northern institutions



\$450,000

Student savings in Interior institutions

#### Northern Institutions











# Institutional Sustainability Grant 2020





# Tracey Woodburn Coast Mountain College

Coast Mountain College is developing a cohort of trades faculty to learn about and explore open educational resources (OER) and how they can adopt and adapt resources to meet their students' needs. The idea was kicked off with a successful trades OER day. Coast Mountain College has also introduced an incentive program through its library. The college's energy is focused on enabling a strong uptake in OER. Tracey Woodburn is the lead on this project.



#### 2020 wasn't all bad...

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January 2020

**OER for Trades Day** 

November-December 2020

**Open Educational Resources for Instructors Course** 

September 2020 (+ January 2021)

**Open Textbook Adoption Incentives** 

#### Second year gallery



Raven Steals the Moon

Artist: Kiri Geen Dimensions: 16" round

First year gallery



Wolf As Guardian
Artist: Toby Cote



Smiik'ask
Artist: Lucy Trimble

#### **OER for Trades Day**

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8:20-8:30 Welcome

8:30-9:30 **Chad Flinn** "The use of OER and OEP in vocational education"

9:30-9:45 coffee

9:45-10:45 **Sally Vinden** "Open Education and Trades"

10:50-12:00 **Colin Elliott, Michele Cook, Karen McMurray** "Open textbook initiative and adoption incentives; OER fellowship introduction, Trades resources in the CMTN library"

12:00-12:30 lunch

12:30-1:00 **Carolee Clyne** "BCcampus Open Textbooks for Trades collection"

1:00-2:00 **Nicki Rehn** "Assessment ideas for Trades, classroom and practical"

2:00-2:45 **Chad Flinn, Sally Vinden** Focus discussion groups, "OER research in Trades"

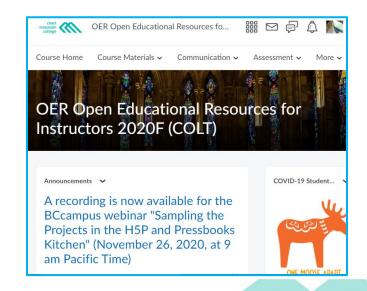


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#### **Open Educational Resources for Instructors**



- Week 1 OER Ecosystem
- Week 2 Why OER?
- Week 3 Working with H5P and Hypothes.is
- Week 4 Creating an Open Course



#### **Textbook Adoption Incentive**



#### **Results**

The first call for Fall 2020 has resulted in 13 successful applications from 12 different faculty and covering 15 different courses: ANTH102, BENG150, BIOL211, SOCI101, SOCI102, SOCI101 (different instructor), WMST102, ECON150, ECON151, MGMT150, GEOG160, BIOL101, GEOG110, MATH251, and PSYC208.

#### **Student savings**

There are two ways to calculate the student savings. Potential savings are the savings the students would realize if all of them were purchasing textbooks. In this case, the potential savings are \$93,584.

Another way to calculate the savings is Real savings. These are the savings that students would realize if the calculation is based on those that do buy the textbook. This is typically 50-60% of students. The estimated Real savings to students is \$51,471.

#### January 2021 update

MATH235, BIOL211, OCGY209, MATH115

Brings potential savings to over \$100,000 and real to over \$60,000

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### Research Fellows 2020-2021



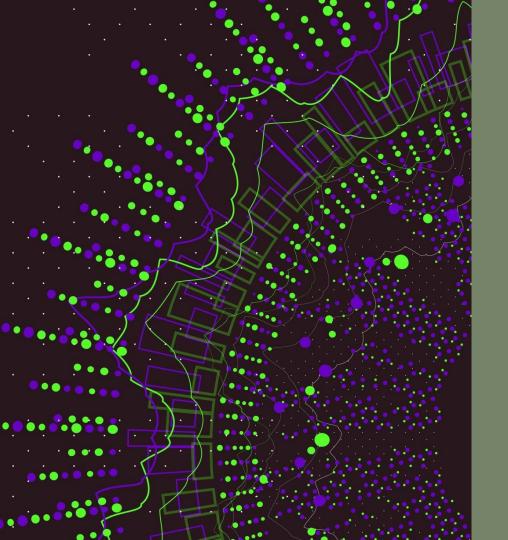




### Rob-Roy Douglas Northern Lights College

Gripping the Paddle with Both Hands: Embedding Indigenous Learning Approaches into Online Education

Rob-Roy Douglas from Northern Lights College is looking at how Indigenous experiential and narrative learning can be integrated into the online education environment to improve student engagement and outcomes.



# The Power of Narrative

Integrating Indigenous Approaches to Learning into a Statistics course

Rob-Roy Douglas, Instructor Northern Lights College

For BCcampus





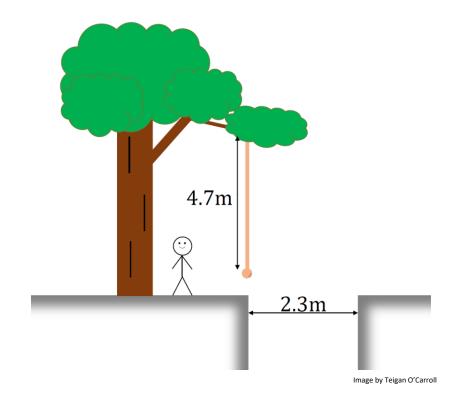
# Meghan Costello University of Northern British Columbia

Effectively Moving Away from Traditional Proctored Exams in First-Year Physics Courses

At the University of Northern British Columbia, Meghan Costello is researching how we can effectively move away from traditional proctored midterm and final exams in first-year physics courses to improve student motivation and understanding of the course material.

# Effectively Moving Away from Traditional Proctored Exams in First-Year Physics Courses

 Students answer some assignment questions, as well as one question on each midterm and final exam via recorded video





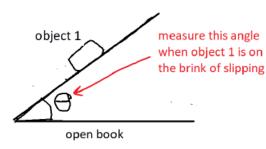
#### Part 2: Coefficient of Static Friction Project (6 marks)

Your task is to determine the coefficient of static friction between a hardcover book and either a calculator OR a dry bar of soap. The instructions below refer to the calculator or bar of soap as "object 1". You will also need either a protractor or ruler to complete the project.

#### Procedure:

Lay the hardcover book on a table and place object 1 on top of the book. Slowly open the book cover so that it forms an inclined plane down which object 1 could slide. Watch carefully and stop opening the cover at the instant object 1 begins to slide. Measure the angle that the

book cover makes with the horizontal when object 1 is just on the brink of slipping. This angle is the only measurement you will need in order to complete the project. (You may think that you need the mass of object 1, but you do not.)



#### Calculations:

- 1. Draw a free body diagram showing the forces acting on object 1 at the instant just *before* it begins to slide.
- 2. Choose an appropriate set of x and y axes and label them on your diagram.
- 3. Apply  $\sum F_x = ma_x$  and  $\sum F_y = ma_y$  to object 1 at the instant just before it begins to slide.
- 4. Explain why the force of static friction is at its maximum possible value at this point.
- 5. Now use your equations to find a value for the coefficient of static friction between object 1 and the hardcover book.



## Time Investment Grants 2021

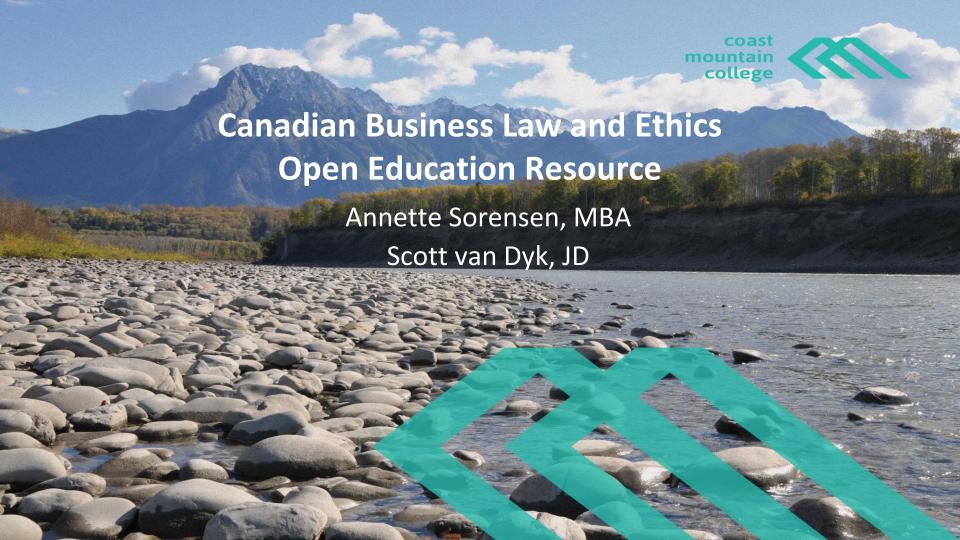






# Scott van Dyk & Annette Sorensen Coast Mountain College

Scott van Dyk and Annette Sorensen, both Business instructors at Coast Mountain College, were awarded the BCcampus Time Investment Grant to co-develop open materials that provide Indigenous content relevant to Business Law and Ethics courses. These materials will enable instructors to have the resources to incorporate appropriate Indigenous content and develop new resources as needed.



Coast Mountain College respectfully acknowledges the traditional Indigenous territories in which we serve, live and work: Haida, Tsimshian, Haisla, Nisga'a, Gitxsan, Tahltan and Wet'suwet'en.

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Annette Sorensen Instructor



Scott Van Dyk Instructor



#### **Our Project**

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 We are creating an Open Education Resource to introduce relevant Indigenous content in introductory Business Ethics and Business Law courses.

#### Our content includes:

- A chapter for use in both courses
- Sample assignments
- PowerPoints



#### The Need

Business Law textbooks used in British Columbia mostly ignore Indigenous content, especially how they relate to Indigenous rights and title and their interaction with businesses.

Instructors must already be subject matter experts to teach this content - and then they have to create their own content...

#### The Need (part 2)

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Business Ethics books have a similar dearth of information about Indigenous content, and especially about the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*.

Further, works discuss Indigenous peoples as one cohesive group rather than a collection of peoples with unique cultural practices and decision-making norms.

#### The Need (part 3)

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We hope to create a resource that will help instructors and students alike and provide nuance to discussion of the topic.



- We have a responsibility to ensure that students have the correct information and the knowledge and skills needed to build relationships with Indigenous communities.
- We are including the information regarding Rights and Title and the principles of United Nations of Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

#### **Colonized Curriculum**

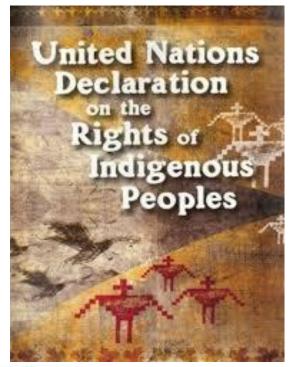


"Another important obstacle has arisen in recent times that often causes delays and, in some cases, prevents projects from moving forward all together."

Chapter 14 of Yates, Richard A., et al., "Business Law in Canada", 11th Canadian Edition, Pearson Education Canada Inc., Toronto, Ontario, 2017.

#### **UNDRIP** and the 94 Calls to Action





Truth and Reconciliation
Commission of Canada:
Calls to Action





# Melissa Fournier & Paula Hayden College of New Caledonia

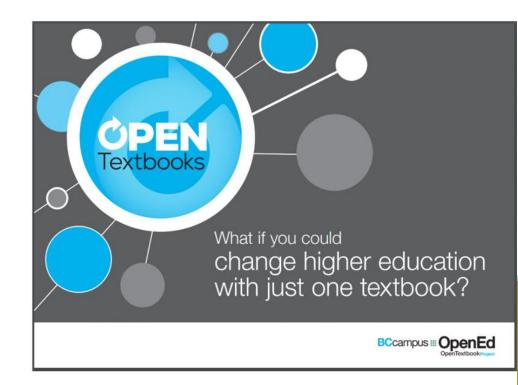
Melissa Fournier, Work Integrated Learning Coordinator at College of New Caledonia, will oversee the development of student work-readiness OER and look at how this material can be integrated to enable broad use. This work will support students in preparing for experiential learning opportunities through innovative approaches.



#### **Our Goal**

Everything begins with an idea.

Earl Nightingale



#### The Purpose

Education

Vision

Skills

Interest



"Work-integrated learning is a model and process of curricular experiential education which formally and intentionally integrates a student's academic studies within a workplace or practice setting."

CEWIL

- Meet needs for work-readiness
- Multiple WIL projects
- Student resource needed



It only takes a seed to plant a difference.



# OER -

Student Resource Reflective Practice **Cultural Safety** Workplace Safety Career Goals Time Management Interpersonal Skills Effective Communication Workplace Essential Skills Giving/Receiving Feedback Information Management Problem-Solving Resume Writing Interview Skills

College of New Caledonia



#### Why this Matters?

- Rising cost of textbooks
- Open resource accessibility and flexibility
- Increasing open resource awareness institutionally
- Participating in community of knowledge and sharing

Thank You



## Questions?

