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Good morning everyone. Welcome to OER Production Series Webinars on Find, Use and Share OER. My name is Kaitlyn Zheng. I am the coordinator of open textbook publishing at BCcampus. This morning, I'm coming to you from the traditional ancestral lands of the WSANEC people and the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations of the Lekwungen peoples, where I am very privileged to live, work and play. Through our work at BCcampus, we are learning to incorporate Indigenous epistemologies into our actions and our understandings, supporting the decolonization, reconciliation, and Indigenization to advocate for systemic changes in the post-secondary environment in B.C. To give you a bit of an overview of what our webinar will look like today. We will start with copyright, followed by introduction to open educations and OER. Then we'll discuss the details of Creative Commons licence. And how do you find, attribute, combine, and remix OER from multiple sources. And finally, we'll have some time for questions. But during this webinar, if you have any questions, please feel free to drop them in the chat. My colleagues will be monitoring the chat and we'll answer them all at the very end.

Let's start with copyright. Copyright is the legal framework for protecting the intellectual properties of the creative work. Under the Copyright Act, only the copyright holder has the permission to reproduce, adapt, and share the work. Copyright protection that's automatic. It is not something you have to apply for like a commercial trademark. Open education and open educational resources are the response to the restrictive nature of the copyright law. The goal is to make things easier to share with you is an access, rather than everyone having to create your own or pay a lot of money to access it. But open education looks like really in theory. But one way to describe the essence of the open education movement came out from the Cape Town Open Education Declarations in 2007, It stats that, "Open education combines the established traditions of sharing good ideas with fellow educators in a collaborative, interactive culture of the Internet. It is still on to believe that everyone should have the freedom to use customize, improve and redistribute educational resources without constrict." Open Educational Resources or OER can be defined as learning, teaching, and research resources in any format and medium that are in the public domain or released under the open licence that permits no cost access. Any type of learning resources.

So textbooks, videos, course materials, test banks, PowerPoint slides, simulations, can all be considered as OER, as long as they are in the public domain or released under an open licence. In the case of the open licence, there's no cost associated with using is shared the resource and others can make changes to the resource without having to ask the original author for permission. You often hear about the five R's in open education that we all love and talk about still fresh at BCcampus as well.

These R's stands for five rights that define Open Educational Resources that is retained, reuse revise, remix, and redistribute. The first "R", retain, is the right to make, own, and control copies of the content. For example, this means the right for students to retain access to their textbooks after a course that's ended. The second "R", reuse, this the right to use the content in a wide range of ways. So for example here my slides today are under a CC-BY licence, which gives all the right to reuse these slides however you want. You could take them and give the exact same presentation to another group tomorrow if you want. Third "R", revise, is the right to adapt, adjust, quantify or alter the content itself. So let's say if you find a resource under a licence but there are a few sections that you don't want is some information that is out of date. You are able to take that resource, cut out those sections, make some changes of it and share that with the world. Fourth "R", remix, which is the right to combine materials together to create something new. So you could take sections from one resource and sections from another one create something new that better fits your needs. The final "R", redistribute, is the right to share copies of the original content as well as any revisions or remixes you create with others. These five "R's" are enabled by open licences.

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The big one is that OER can make post-secondary education more financially accessible. Many students do you have to make the choice between buying a textbook and feeding themselves. When the textbook is free, that financial barrier is reduced. This year marks the 10-year anniversary of the BCcampus Open Textbook projects. We have reached \$13 million in students savings. And a second is that because of licence, instructors can edit and customize the content to fit their specific course and teaching style. This could be something simple like removing or reorganizing the chapters. Or it might be replacing the extent of case studies to better fit your local contexts. And finally, because OERs are available for free online, anyone, anywhere with access to the internet connects to use these materials. This ensures that student will retain access to the materials long after the course ended and is outside the course can also explore the content. Finally, you could consider sharing your educational resources and making them open. For example, if you have a syllabus or PowerPoint slides deck or a class notes that you select, you turn into an OER. You can pick a licence. Put an open licence on it. So others teaching simpler topics can use an adapted.

There are few things to keep in mind. Though, first you still retain a copyright for the content you create. One if it's under an open licence, it is your intellectual properties that you can assign what to do with it. The open licence just gives others the permission to use the content you have created for your own purposes. They still have to give it a credit and describe any changes they've made. Secondly, it's that CC licences are non-exclusive, meaning that if you decide in the future that you want to put a different licence on the different versions of the materials you are able to do that. However, CC licence are also irrevocable. Meaning once a resource exists on the Internet with an open licence. There's no way to remove that licence printout copy of the resource. As we often say, once something exists on the Internet. It stays on the internet forever. How do we openly licence and share a material? It's very easy. All you need to do is select the open licence you want to use.

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some places to go to find different types of OER. This is not an exhaustive list, but it will give you a place to start. The first is the BC Open collection maintained by BCcampus, located at collection.bccampus.ca The collection contains over 300 open textbooks, as well as open course materials, including course packs, course outlines, assignments in a range of subject areas. And it's always growing. The Collection prioritized Canadian content and includes many texts written and adapted by the BC faculties. In addition, many of the textbooks have been reviewed by faculties and includes supplementary materials like test banks, PowerPoint slides and videos.

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