OER Revisions and Ancillary Materials Creation Mini-Grant Application

Affordable Learning Georgia aims to support the sustainability of previous Textbook Transformation Grants implementations through revisions of created open educational resources or the creation of new ancillary materials for existing OER. Individuals or teams who would like to apply for an OER Revisions or Ancillary Materials Creation. Mini-grant participants do not need to be the original creators of the resource(s). While we welcome original authors to revise their original materials, the nature of open licenses allows for the revision and remixing of OER materials by anyone as long as the terms of the license are adhered to.

The final deliverable for this category is the revised or newly-created materials as proposed in the application, which will be hosted through GALILEO Open Learning Materials. All revised or newly-created materials will be made available to the public under a Creative Commons Attribution License (CC-BY), unless the original materials were under a more restrictive license such as the inclusion of SA (Share-Alike) or NC (Non-Commercial).

For the purposes of this grant, we define revision as the major improvement of a resource through updates for accuracy, accessibility, clarity, design, and formatting. We define ancillary materials as any materials created to substantially support the instruction of a course using an existing open educational resource(s).

Applicant Name *

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Applicant Position *

Instructor of Biology

Applicant Institution *

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Other Team Members

Individuals can apply for mini-grants; a team is not required. If you do want to add team members to your grant, please provide the names and email addresses here.

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Type of Project *

○ Revision of pre-existing OER

◉ Creation of ancillaries for pre-existing OER

○ Other:

Final Semester of the Project *

This is the semester in which the materials created/revised will be completed.

○ Fall 2019

○ Spring 2020

Proposed Grant Funding Amount: *

This is the total (in a dollar amount) of funding you are requesting for the mini-grant. There is a maximum of $4800, with a maximum of $2000 per team member and $800 for project expenses.

$4,800

Currently-Existing Resource(s) to be Revised / Ancillaries Created *

Please provide a title and web address (URL) to each of the currently-existing resources that you are either revising or creating new ancillary materials for below.

https://oer.galileo.usg.edu/biology-collections/10/

Project Description *

In at least one paragraph, describe your project's goals and deliverables.

The main goal of this mini-grant project is to create a new updated free lab manual that will guide students through the laboratory component of the General Zoology (Biol 2154k) course. The current lab manual GHC uses was developed in 2013 but has not seen any major revisions since and is now a series of disconnected individual labs that are in need of updating to aide in student learning. This newer manual will enhance the current learning outcomes for Biol 2154k by providing more thorough labs that require students to do critical thinking and be engaged with current topics in zoology. The manual will be delivered to faculty and students using D2L and will also be uploaded in Galileo Open Learning repository.

Timeline and Personnel *

Provide a project timeline with milestones below, keeping in mind your selected Final Semester above. Provide a short description of the roles any additional team members will take on during the activities in your timeline.

This project aims to revise the current laboratory manual used in the General Zoology (Biol2154k) course. This manual will be created and edited during the Fall 2018 and implemented during the Summer of 2019 term. This manual will enhance the current laboratory manual content and effectiveness in hands on learning for the course. Once all labs have been created and edited for accuracy and clarity, they will be made available to all faculty via the Master Course shell in the D2L learning management system and will also be uploaded into Galileo Open Learning Materials repository by end of Summer of 2019.

Both Jason Christian and Kimberly Subacz will provide the technical expertise of content and the editorial and administrative services.
- Fall 2018 -Topics/ labs will be decided on and writing of content will begin.
- Spring 2019- Writing and editing of lab manual will complete.
- Summer 2019 – labs will be run in summer courses to trouble shoot any unforeseen issues. At the end of Summer 2019 share finalized resources via D2L and Galileo Open Learning Materials.

Budget *

Please enter your project's budget below. Include personnel and projected expenses. The maximum amounts for the award are as follows: $4,800 maximum award, $2,000 maximum per team member, $800 maximum for overall project expenses. Unlike standard-scale and large-scale transformations, the maximum of $800 is not a required element of the budget, but rather meant primarily for the purchase of specific tools and software which would help with improving resources.

$2000 Jason Christian

$2000 Kimberly Subacz

$800 equipment for "test runs throughs of new labs", editing software and hardware as needed

Total budget = $4,800

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