

**Mission:** Transforming and empowering learning communities through high-impact educational content and practices to advance equity, access, and inclusion for all. The conference will focus on the OER Foundation, Practices, and communities.

**Theme:** Navigating Challenges and Opportunities: Using OER to Foster Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

**Tenets of Conference:**

- **Utilization and application of OER** - This tenet of the Conference focuses on how presenters are supporting workshop attendees and how OER is used and applied to their teaching practice and curriculum development.
- **Pedagogical Contribution** - This tenet of the Conference focuses on underscoring how presenters identify ways that using OER improves pedagogical practice.
- **Justice Equity Inclusion** - This tenet of the Conference focuses on addressing how OER can create a more just pedagogical practice, an equitable learning experience for students, and/or how it creates a more inclusive classroom culture and environment.
- **Creativity & Engagement** - This tenet focuses on the content itself and its delivery. Presenters should create content that is creative in topic but also creatively engages conference attendees.

**Potential Conference Content Areas:**

- Challenges towards adopting and implementing OER
  - Resistance
  - Quality critiques
  - Collaboration
  - Resource access
- OER benefits during a Pandemic
  - Technology
  - Student Engagement through Virtual Learning
  - Management of Virtual Learning Platforms
- How to Organize OER
  - Repository
  - Collaboration
- Globalization and OER
  - Collaboration
  - Funding mechanisms & financial resources
  - Intercultural communication opportunities

- Theory to Practice