# 111 PDX Open: Reducing Student Textbook Costs

Collect Through the PSU Library, create an infrastructure for open textbook publishing and collaborate with faculty who wish to develop open access materials, to enable faculty to author textbooks that are freely accessible to students.

ACHIEVEMENTS THIS PERIOD (12.15.13-2.4.14)

- Selected eight faculty who will develop open source textbooks in the following six projects:
  - Advanced Japanese
  - Assessment of Special Education Learners
  - Transportation Safety
  - Gender and Sexuality
  - Environmental Sciences
- Met with all recipients to review time-lines, open access policy and intellectual property policy.
- Met with the Office of Academic Affairs to set up accounting process for grant recipients to draw funds as stipends or for expenses.

GOALS FOR NEXT PERIOD (2.3.14-3.9.14)

- Draft copyright agreement/submission document for authors.
- Develop an agreement document template that outlines the scope, time-line and preliminary plan for spending funds (with dates).
- Create and finalize Project Plan (detailed work plan/time-line).
- Create and finalize Project Management Plan (brief document covering project scope, roles, and change management process).

KEY DECISIONS

- Change request approved that will extend project end date to December 15, 2014 - no impact on budget or scope. Change will allow sufficient time for faculty to develop textbooks.

OPEN ISSUES

- None.

PROGRESS

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PROJECT MANAGER: Hans VanDerSchaaf
COLLABORATORS: Faculty and staff in the Library

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PROVOST’S CHALLENGE

PROJECT STATUS: On Schedule

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ACHIEVEMENTS THIS PERIOD (11.15.13-12.15.13)

• Developed fund tracking processes.
• Selection committee of four formed (representation from School of Social Work, Graduate School of Education, and Library)
• Sessions for selection of projects for awards (for developing open source textbooks) have been scheduled.

GOALS FOR NEXT PERIOD (12.15.13-2.2.14)

• Select faculty who will develop open source textbooks.
• Create and finalize Project Plan (detailed work plan/timeline).
• Create and finalize Project Management Plan (brief document covering project scope, roles, and change management process).

KEY DECISIONS THIS PERIOD (11.15.13-12.15.13)

• None.

OPEN ISSUES

• Exploration of potential to revise delivery mechanism for affordable educational materials to utilize Open Educational Resources and PSU-Library licensed content.
• Further exploration of this is pending outcome of selection process (selecting faculty who will develop open source textbooks).

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