OER Creator Program AY24-25

The Provost's office is pleased to announce the next iteration in UMASS Dartmouth's OER Creator Initiative. Given our student population, including the financial burden of textbooks for many of our students, OER is an excellent way to create a win-win-win scenario: Access is free and therefore flat for everyone; students save money; the excuse of not buying the textbook is gone.

OER Creators generate OER Materials for use in their courses and to be listed in the UMASS Dartmouth Repository of OER materials. For example, *OER Creators* could publish a cleaner, organized version of their class notes and other developed materials to be used in lieu of a textbook. The following are links to last year's published resources:

- <u>Argument Analysis</u> (Botvin, Zhang, O'Dell)
- <u>Women's and Gender Studies</u> (Gardner)
- <u>E-Commerce and E-Business</u> (Wang)

We are again looking for 2 to 3 faculty members who are willing to publish their own OER materials. To support this effort, these *OER Creators* will be paid a stipend of \$4000 upon deployment of their developed OER Materials in one of their AY 24-25 courses.

To find out more about OER and many of the excellent reasons for utilizing and developing OER materials in your courses, see the OER Resources website at UMD: https://www.umassd.edu/faculty/heoa-textbook/oer-resources/

To apply for an OER Creator opportunity, please fill out the application by May 3rd, 2024 at:

https://umassdartmouth.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5t080YUxN4NldDo