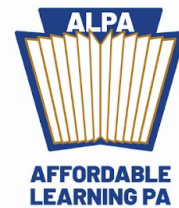


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Save the Date: Second Annual Affordable Learning Summit

The second annual Affordable Learning Summit will be held virtually this year from September 9-25, 2020. The Affordable Learning Summit is an opportunity for librarians, faculty, and others to collaborate on building a network dedicated to making higher education more accessible and affordable.

The theme of this year's summit is Advocate PA: Getting the Word Out about OER. A variety of presentations, panels, lightning talks, and keynotes are scheduled over six different days to provide several opportunities to learn about OER advocacy, engaging student governments, OER in a post-COVID world, and more. Our keynote speakers for this year feature Nicole Allen, SPARC Director of Open Education (September 9), Jasmine Roberts, The Ohio State University (September 23), and Daniel Williamson, Managing Director of OpenStax (September 25).

Registration for the 2020 Affordable Learning Summit will open **September 1, 2020**.

Seeking Panelists: Strange Bedfellows? OER and the Campus Bookstore.

Do you have a relationship with your campus bookstore? Alternatively, do you have a strategy of working in tandem with your campus bookstore even if a working relationship doesn't exist? We're looking for a variety of bookstore models to be represented on a virtual ALPA panel to be held in early October. Topics will/could include how you built your relationship with the bookstore, strategies working with (or around!) the campus bookstore, and ideas on what others can do! Panelists are encouraged to invite their campus bookstore representative to be on the panel with them.

If you are willing to be a panelist, please email sparme@iup.edu with your name, university, and bookstore type (co-op, Barnes & Nobles, etc.).

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National Opportunity

The U.S. Department of Education is seeking peer reviewers for the 2020 Grant Competition: Open Textbooks Pilot Program. More information about the program can be found [here](#) and information on applying to be a peer reviewer can be found [here](#).

Working Group Updates

Education and Training Working Group, Sara Parme, Chair

Coming soon! Student Media Primer webinar with Cailyn Nagle, the U.S. PIRG Affordable Textbook campaign director. This will be the third session of our three-part series on working with students.

Do you have an event, program, or other information you'd like highlighted in an upcoming ALPA Newsletter? Send us your submissions via [our online form](#).