Rebus Programs & Services

Rebus FOUNDATION

READY TO GO OPEN?

PROPEL YOUR ORGANIZATION WITH REBUS.

College Affordability & Institutional Longevity

Workforce Alignment & Career Readiness

Student Success & Belonging

Digital Transformation & Innovation

Community Engagement & Partnerships

Meeting Accessibility Standards

Open education eliminates textbook costs while empowering educational teams – including faculty, librarians, and instructional designers – to lead the creation of accessible, customized learning materials. Students contribute meaningfully to this process, developing important digital literacy and collaborative skills while creating resources that reflect their communities and experiences. Everyone in the education ecosystem benefits!

Rebus partners with institutions to facilitate this collaborative approach, providing signature professional development programs and consulting to help institutions and organizations transform how they develop and deliver educational content.

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About Rebus

Rebus FOUNDATION

Founded in 2016, **The Rebus Foundation** is a Canadian Registered Charity and global non-profit organization dedicated to advancing open publishing, open educational resources (OER), open pedagogy, and joyful learning. Fundamentally, at Rebus, we believe in the power of learning and education to create better spaces for us all.

Mission

Rebus serves individuals and organizations working across all levels of education — we offer guidance, community, and spaces for educators to collaborate on pedagogy and publishing. Through our programs and networks, we encourage educators to rediscover passion, purpose, and potential in their work so all learners can embrace the ripple effects of education.

Vision

Rebus envisions a liberatory future where lifelong learning is valued as a public good and communities leverage education as a catalyst for positive change.

Core Values

Reciprocity

We believe deeply in the reciprocal nature of the world. Our activities are not conducted in a vacuum, rather, everything we do is a collaborative, collective effort for community — the onus of who we are, how we show up, what we do, and the benefits we reap are all shared.

Authenticity

We center the human experience in our work and approach by actively creating an environment that encourages and supports people to authentically show up as themselves.

Celebrating Joy

We center and celebrate joy at multiple points throughout the journey, in lieu of focusing only on the destination.

Agency

We believe that people hold possibility and use collective agency to co-design new spaces for individuals to grow and communities to thrive.

Curiosity

We stay curious to address key problems in education and to keep growing as individuals and as an organization.

Guided by these foundational beliefs and core values, Rebus provides innovative programs and services designed to strengthen open education both locally and globally.

Rebus Alumni & Partners

LOUIS: THE LOUISIANA LIBRARY NETWORK — COMMUNICATE COOPERATE COLLABORATE

Campus MB

Idaho State Board of Education

PennState

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

CUNY — THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

VANCOUVER ISLAND UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS

ROTEL Project

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM of MARYLAND

FRAMINGHAM STATE UNIVERSITY

CanLII

METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Open Education Network

OpenOregon Educational Resources

SUNY — The State University of New York

GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

GRAND VALLEY

BCcampus — Learning. Doing. Leading.

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Open Publishing Projects Certificate

From concept to release, bring your team's OER vision to life through creative collaboration and proven practices that pave a clear path to publication.

Program Overview

Learn how to plan, manage, and publish high-quality, openly licensed publications in a collaborative, hands-on space. Work with your team and expert facilitators to explore universal design, effective workflows, and sustainable publishing practices. Graduate with a polished publishing plan, new leadership skills, and a strong foundation to advance open education.

Certificate & Microcredential

Live Sessions & Asynchronous Work over 12 Months

Join a year-long, three-phase cohort program with expert-led sessions, project-focused work, and ongoing support to take your OER from concept to publication!

"The Open Publishing Projects Certificate is the lighthouse that gets you through those dark moments of feeling stuck and not knowing what to do next in the publishing process."

Yvonne Anthony, Framingham State University

Rebus offers several free resources to textbook creators and other OER professionals. The Open Publishing Projects Certificate builds on these offerings with additional personalized support and continued guidance throughout the creation process. Designed for cross-institutional teams, this is a cohort-based certificate facilitated by program alumni. The program is one year long and comprises three phases:

Phase 1 (Months 1-2):
- Planning & Scoping
- Weekly Meetings & a 1:1 Facilitator Check-In

Phase 2 (Months 3-8):
- Writing & Editing
- Bimonthly Meetings & 1:1 Facilitator Check-Ins

Phase 3 (Months 9-12):
- Production & Release
- Monthly Meetings & a 1:1 Facilitator Check-In

Supplemental Materials Development Certificate

Reconnect with the joy of teaching and learning by creating materials that spark curiosity, foster connection, and support students beyond the textbook.

Program Overview

Discover how to create open, adaptable supplemental course materials that deepen student learning. Engage with an expert facilitator and a community of peers to explore universal design, accessibility, and authentic assessment. Walk away with practical, research-based resources, and fresh inspiration to elevate your teaching and empower student success.

Fall, Spring, & Summer Cohorts

6 Asynchronous Modules

Certificate & Microcredential

3 Optional Live Sessions

Optional AI Skill Building Activities

Join a six-week, cohort-based program with self-paced modules and live sessions. Prefer a shorter format? **Contact us for our two-day workshop option**, in-person or online.

Instructor Guides & Lesson Plans

Test Banks & Quizzes

Activities, Labs, & Assignments

"This program was a novel and enriching experience for me... I gained valuable project management skills and resources. The one-on-one and group sessions were instrumental in boosting my confidence in OER development."

Ariful Hoq Shanil, *University of Manitoba*

Slide Decks & Lecture Notes

Multimedia (Videos, Podcasts, Simulations)

Games & Interactive Tools

Workshops & Webinars

Spark curiosity and deepen expertise with professional learning that explores effective practices, collaborative pedagogy, and tools for student success.

Overview

Advance your institution's strategic goals through open education. Our engaging, customizable workshops and webinars offer both introductory and in-depth learning about open educational resources, open pedagogy, leadership, sustainability, and content creation.

Build your own workshop or online webinar series tailored to your organizational goals. In-person facilitation available on request!

Making the Case for OER

Interactivity with H5P
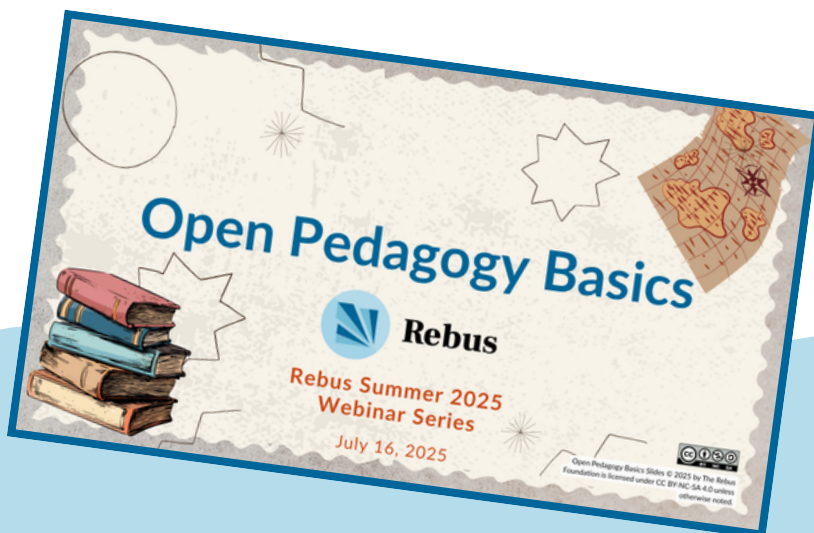
Revising & Remixing with AI

Open Pedagogy Basics

...and more!

"Rebus' webinar series helped the University System of Maryland's Kirwan Center for Academic Innovation engage faculty and librarians across the state of Maryland. Each session was illustrative, informative, and impactful. The series introduced attendees to new ways of adopting open education principles."

MJ Bishop, *University System of Maryland*

Expert Consulting

Advance your institution's strategic goals by partnering with education experts on flexible, customized consulting solutions.

Overview

Explore how customized consulting can help your organization advance its OER goals. Partner with open education experts to shape services tailored to your needs – from strategic planning and grant support to project development and office hours. Move forward with actionable plans and new momentum to strengthen your open education initiatives and get just-in-time support when you need it.

"Working with Rebus was an amazing experience. I really appreciated how organized, efficient, and collaborative the process was. I personally learned a lot!"
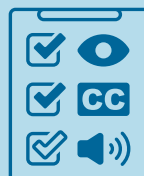
Seyed Abdollah Shahrokni, Western Oregon University

Select expert-led consulting sessions to support your OER projects. Choose from topics like project management, leadership, accessibility, publishing, and more. Bundle pricing available!
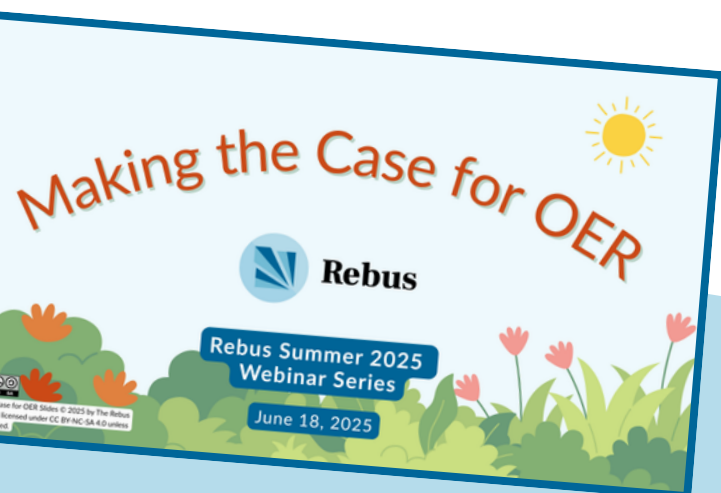
OER Project Management

Advancing Your Leadership

Accessibility & Universal Design

Publishing & Marketing Your OER

...and more!

Making the Case for OER

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Rebus Summer 2025 Webinar Series

June 18, 2025

Professional Development with Expert Guidance

Whether you're an individual, team, campus, or regional leader, we have bundles to multiply your impact! Choose from four tiers to grow your open education capacity, or customize your own bundle.

Every Size, Every Stage
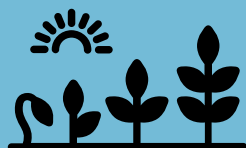
Open Education Starter Kit

For individuals and small teams beginning their OER journey. Perfect for pilot projects.

- **1 project (4 seats)** in the Open Publishing Projects Certificate.

- **2 seats** in the Supplemental Materials Development Certificate.

Training and support for up to **6 people**.

Transform Your Department

For academic departments ready to scale OER adoption, lower student costs, and transform curriculum.

- **2 projects (8 seats)** in the Open Publishing Projects Certificate.

- **4 seats** in the Supplemental Materials Development Certificate.

- **1 consulting session** (Your Choice of Topic*)

Training and support for up to **12 people**.

Campus-Wide Impact

Comprehensive support for institutions and organizations implementing large-scale OER initiatives and institution-wide impact.

- **6 projects (24 seats)** in the Open Publishing Projects Certificate.

- **25 seats** in the Supplemental Materials Development Certificate.

- **3 webinar series** (Your Choice of Topics*)

- **2 consulting sessions** (Your Choice of Topics*)

Training and support for up to **200 people**.

Catalyze Your Region

Perfect for multi-institutional collaborations, state / provincial initiatives, and consortiums driving community-wide impact.

- **12 projects (48 seats)** in the Open Publishing Projects Certificate.

- **50 seats** in the Supplemental Materials Development Certificate.

- **3 webinar series** (Your Choice of Topics*)

- **1/2 day virtual workshop** (Your Choice of Topic*)

- **4 consulting sessions** (Your Choice of Topics*)

Training and support for up to **270 people**.

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Rebus Professional Development Library

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Please contact us for a custom quote.

Rebus Professional Development Library

The Rebus Professional Development Library supports open education initiatives at every stage – from getting started and selecting platforms to implementing open pedagogy and measuring impact.

Choose Your Support Options

Mix & Match Topics Based on Your Needs

OER Foundations

- Getting Started
- Open Pedagogy
- Making the Case for OER
- Open Publishing Foundations
- Universal Design & Accessibility

Student Success & Pedagogy

- Co-creating OER with Students
- OER Ancillary Materials
- Teaching with OER
- Open Pedagogy Basics
- OER Quality Review & Assessment
- Partnering with Student Advocates

Strategic Planning & Leadership

- Building Open Communities
- Leadership in Open Education
- Faculty Adoption Strategies

AI & Tech Tools

- AI for Revision & Remixing
- Creating Interactive OER
- Choosing An Open Publishing Platform
- Pressbooks Basics
- Open Tools: H5P, LibreTexts & More
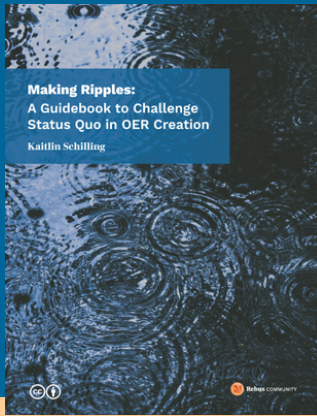
Sustainability, Impact, & Efficacy

- Institutional OER Infrastructure
- Sustaining Open Initiatives
- Grant Writing Support
- Marketing Your OER
- Measuring & Sharing Impact
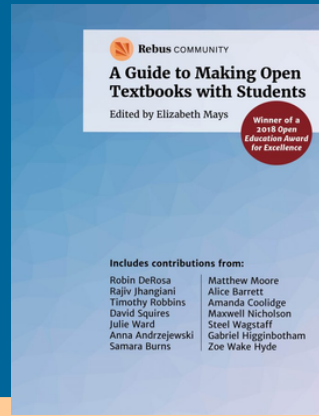
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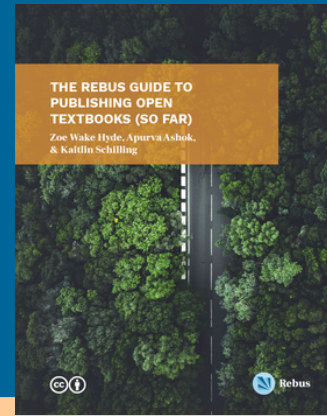
What Skills Will Participants Grow?

- Project Scoping
- Storytelling & Communications
- Growing & Managing Teams
- Accessibility & Localization
- Content Creation & Working with Authors
- Authoring & Editing Logistics
- Instructional Design
- Review & Feedback
- Formatting & Release Preparation
- Post-Release Management
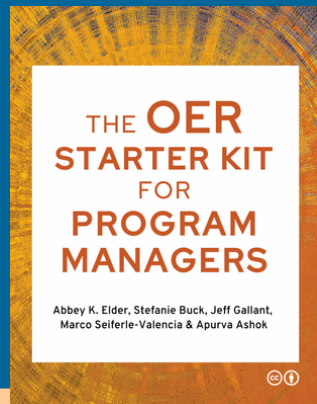- Community Building & Networking
- Assessment & Evaluation

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Making Ripples:
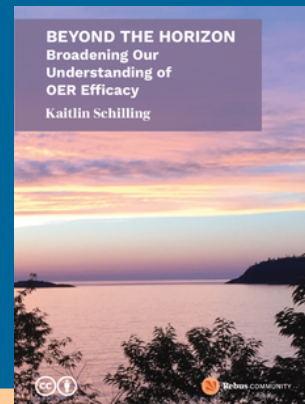**A Guidebook to Challenge Status Quo in OER Creation**
by Kaitlin Schilling

A Guide to Making Open Textbooks with Students
by Elizabeth Mays

The Rebus Guide to Publishing Open Textbooks (So Far)
by Apurva Ashok, Zoe Wake Hyde, and Kaitlin Schilling

The OER Starter Kit for Program Managers
by Abbey K. Elder, Stefanie Buck, Jeff Gallant, Marco Seiferle-Valencia, and Apurva Ashok

Beyond the Horizon: Broadening Our Understanding of OER Efficacy
by Kaitlin Schilling

The Rebus Bookshelf

Deepen your practice with open publishing insights, practical strategies, and bold ideas to shape the future of education.