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Why OER?

INFO 1010 is a GE Required course and since everyone is required to take it, we wanted the cost to be as little as possible. By creating OER readings, the information is both freely accessible for the class, as well as a resource to be used after as well.

INFO 1010 Information Literacy Readings

Project Summary

When designing our GE required information literacy course, we wanted the readings to be accessible outside of Canvas so students could return to the information later as needed. So, we created all the readings in LibGuides and linked them into the Canvas course, effectively creating an OER textbook's worth of readings freely available on the library's website. The course is divided into 6 modules, with 5 requiring readings.



Each module's content was divided into 3-5 readings that we kept to around a page or 2 of text, included lots of visuals, and kept to one theme or topic.

On advantage of this system is the flexibility to add new readings and update on a reading-by-reading basis.

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Conclusions and Future OER Plans

You don't need specialty OER software necessarily, and it can be a project in progress. In the future we might turn it into more of a traditional textbook.

Tips and Advice for Creating OER

Use what software you are comfortable with and share it in the most accessible way possible.