Open CU is based on a premise of openness and collective impact across CU’s four campuses and beyond.

This System-led, collaborative initiative is both well-tested and successful. Each campus brings OER expertise, resources, and practices for awareness and adoption to the shared table, all of which are customized to meet campus needs and cultures. The Open CU team collectively and individually raises OER awareness and forges enthusiasm across and within campus communities. Working together toward a common goal gives us momentum, innovative spirit, and reach. In 2020-2021, the Open CU initiative continues to deliver on that momentum and reach by:

- Ensuring that the Open CU campus teams of teaching and learning centers, libraries, offices of information technology, and accessibility units continue to deliver high-quality awareness and adoption workshops to additional educators teaching up to 100 courses total on all four campuses and assisting educators with their course redesign efforts to ensure a quality OER experience for students;
- Providing financial incentives and deploying OER teams to work closely with faculty to adapt or create OER content that is fully accessible, discoverable, and openly-licensed;
- Expanding and publicizing recognition efforts, including System-wide awards from the President’s office;
- Aggressively targeting educators teaching high school concurrent enrollment courses for participation in the Open CU initiative;
- Redoubling our efforts to provide opportunities for educators to share results; and
- Building a cadre of educator experts and advocates who will integrate open education principles into the academic culture of CU campuses, thereby ensuring the sustainability of Open CU.

Open CU is proud that its work serves students from across Colorado, including urban and rural populations, non-traditional and underrepresented students, and high school students across the state. This initiative has garnered over $200K in grant and in-kind funding.

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