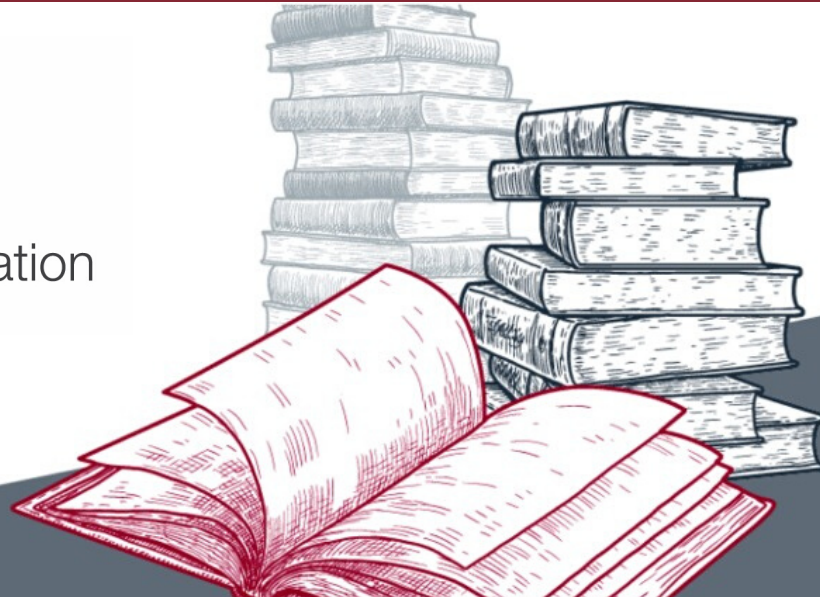




Open Education

Spring 2020 Newsletter



## OPEN EDUCATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE

On May 14, 2020, KPU will host a one-day training and networking opportunity for scholars across BC post-secondary institutions who wish to develop or enhance their open education research skills.

The Open Education Research Institute (OERI) is an opportunity for new and emerging researchers interested in open educational practices to deepen their knowledge and sharpen their skill set while connecting with other researchers and joining a Provincial mentorship network. The one-day institute will begin with an overview of existing research on open educational practices, including a special focus on research conducted in or by researchers in British Columbia. Participants will learn about different theoretical and methodological frameworks for research in open education and receive guidance on practical issues such as preparing applications for ethical review of their research projects and publishing their work in open access journals or repositories. Participants will work in affinity groups to draft and revise their research questions and be paired with an experienced researcher, who will serve as their mentor for the following year. The OERI is jointly funded by KPU Open Education and BCcampus. While there will be no cost to register for the event, registration is limited to 50 participants.

Learn more at [kpu.ca/open/oeri](http://kpu.ca/open/oeri)

## OPEN EDUCATION CHAMPION



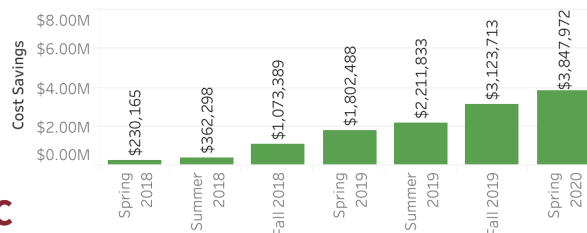
Congratulations to **Melissa Ashman** (Applied Communications) who was appointed KPU's inaugural Open Education Research Fellow

## ZERO TEXTBOOK COST PROGRAM UPDATE

During the Spring 2020 semester, KPU students were able to choose from among 319 ZTC sections (a 10% increase from Spring 2019) and saved an estimated \$724,259 in commercial textbook costs.

### Estimated Cost Savings to Students (Cumulative)

Cumulative number of students enrolled in ZTC sections x \$112.55 (estimated mean cost savings per student; Green & Kirkey, 2017)



Learn more at [kpu.ca/ZTC](http://kpu.ca/ZTC)

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# KPU HOSTS VISITING SCHOLAR

**Jonas Lamb**, Associate Professor of Library Science & Public Services Librarian at the University of Alaska Southeast, visited KPU for two weeks in January. During his visit, Jonas met with the Open Education Working Group, faculty working with the library's Open Publishing Suite (OPUS) and contributed to several Open Education projects related to strategy, ZTC workflow, open pedagogy workshops, event planning, and resource creation.



Additionally, Jonas discussed student support and advocacy for affordable course materials with the KSA University Affairs committee and travelled to UBC where he met with faculty working on open scholarship and education initiatives. Jonas also participated in Open Art Histories: a one-day critical pedagogy dialogue at Langara College on January 31. The KPU visit was a component of Jonas's sabbatical project to develop a strategic open education policy for his home institution.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## UN SDG Open Pedagogy Fellowship Student Showcase

February 25, 11:30am - 1:30pm  
KPU Surrey, A2410  
[tlevents.kpu.ca](http://tlevents.kpu.ca)

## Open Education Week Event

March 4, 9am - 3pm  
KPU Richmond, Wilson 4900  
[kpu.ca/open-education-week](http://kpu.ca/open-education-week)

## OER for Trades Summit 2020

April 22, 7:30am - 2pm  
KPU Tech, Boardroom  
[bccampus.ca/event/oer-trades-summit-2020-kpu/](http://bccampus.ca/event/oer-trades-summit-2020-kpu/)

## Open Education Research Institute

May 14, 8:30am - 4:30pm  
KPU Richmond, Wilson 4900  
[kpu.ca/open/oeri](http://kpu.ca/open/oeri)

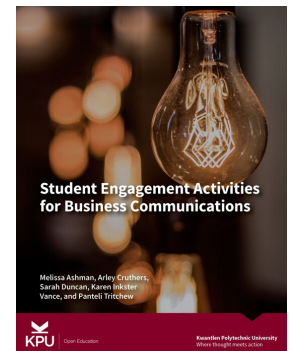
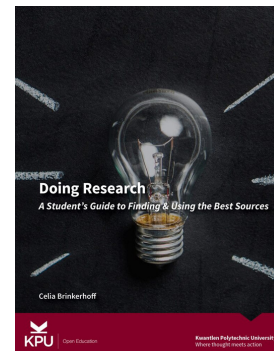
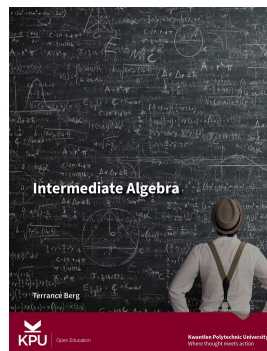
# RECENTLY PUBLISHED OPEN TEXTBOOKS

**Intermediate Algebra** by Terrance Berg

**Doing Research** by Celia Brinkerhoff

**Student Engagement Activities for Business Communications**

by Melissa Ashman, Arley Cruthers, Sarah Duncan, Karen Inkster Vance, and Panteli Tritchew



# OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES GRANTS

Expanded support for creating, adapting, and adopting OER

## OER Adoption Grant

Jointly funded with the Kwantlen Student Association, this grant provides \$500 to instructors who replace a commercial textbook/resource with OER. The funds may be used towards any professional development activity of the instructor's choice.

## OER Adaptation Grant

This grant provides up to \$2000 to support the adaptation of open textbooks or other OER. This may include updating, localizing, remixing, or adding interactivity to OER, or developing ancillary resources for an open textbook. The funds may be used to hire student assistants, pay honoraria to external collaborators, and more.

## OER Creation Grant

In addition to \$2000 to support the creation of original OER (which may be used to hire student assistants, pay honoraria to external collaborators, and more), this grant provides an additional \$2000 towards professional development activities.

Learn more at  
[kpu.ca/open/grants](http://kpu.ca/open/grants)

*Note: In addition to grant funds, OER grantees receive in-kind support from the Office of Open Education, the Library, and the Teaching and Learning Commons.*