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Open Educational Resources?

The University of Edinburgh supports staff and students to openly licence and share learning and teaching materials in order to give back to the international commons.

We have an OER policy, which provides guidance and support on how to licence and share works created at the University.



Why should I use Open Educational Resources and where can I find them?

Copyrighted works that have been licensed to allow re-mix and re-use (an open licence) can be incredibly valuable for teaching purposes. Re-mix and re-purpose an existing work, freeing up your time to focus on other objectives. Translate into another language. Modify existing lesson plans. Openly licence your own teaching materials so others can modify, adapt, and build upon them to create something new.



Where can I find and share openly licensed materials?

There are many places to find and share original work online. Some of these you may be familiar with include Flickr, SoundCloud, YouTube, which offer only one format of content but specialise in that field.

There are also open repositories where anyone can upload and download learning resources in more than one format for reuse and remixing.



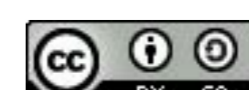
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