Utilizing a Collaborative Process to Create Open Access Books

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Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- OER Collaboration process
  - Throughout our session:
    - Our project as a case study
    - Small group brainstorming sessions
- Q & A

Introductions

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Steps in the Collaborative process:

Brainstorm
What do we envison? Why are we doing it?

Plan
How? What? Where? When? Who?

Implementation
Timeline (then revised timeline!) & Writing

Edit
Compile & address any issues

Publish
Review, review, review! Then publish and then make another round of edits ☺

Brainstorm
What did we envision?
Sexuality Social Justice Book
Our Why
• Accessibility
• Highlight authors' voices (including students)
• Welcome format/style of submissions (not just academic style textbook)
• Control and decision-making power
What do you envision?
Small group discussions:
• What are your ideas?
• Is OER best? And what kind/type?
What is your why?
Small group discussions:
• Why OER? i.e. is this the best option?

Plan

How? What? Where? When? Who?

Find people who can help (and want to do the work)!

OER platforms

- Any you are familiar with?
- Is there grant money and how do you get it?

Our Planning Tips

- Don’t be afraid to say that you need to pivot or adjust timeline
- Don’t be afraid to reach out
- make sure you can commit to grant schedule

Discussion:

- What aspects of your plan do you have thought out?
  (it is okay to say none!)
- What do you need help figuring out? Use this time!

Implement

Be realistic
(with self and others)

Timeline

Be prepared to revisit and check in with authors frequently

Tips

Remember (and remind each other) this can be updated easily so not everything needs to be included in this first publication

Small group discussion:

What do you think will be one of your barriers to implementation? Discuss strategies to combat it!

Edit

Create guidelines for editing

Basic ideas were agreed to in the planning phase (this helped!)

Determine what is essential & what is optional

Communicate this with authors

Our guidelines included:

- Limited editing of own friends' chapters
- Kept essence of author's ideas
- Peer reviewed, but not blind

Things to consider:

- How do you envision the editing section?
- Who will do what?
- Some of this is determined in the planning stage!

Publish

Review, Review, Review

Our Lessons learned

- Use your resources: **THANKS** to SU's Librarian, Katie Delezenski & Ship's department of SW GA, Claire Knepper
- Use an accessible word doc
- Time consuming process! (& requires attention to detail)

Then plan to review again! ☺

Small Group discussions

- What publishing questions do you have?
- What publishing tips do you have?

Thank you!

Questions? Questions?

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