OER Advocate Description: Faculty will register through MC Learns to get directions to self-enroll in Blackboard. There are four self-paced modules with various activities/exercises/assignments to complete. If all requirements are submitted and evaluated at competent or above, the badge will be issued.	The OER ADVOCATE BADGE validates that the earner has demonstrated the ability to leverage OER, including defining elements and considering using existing or creating OER; understanding copyright and selecting appropriate creative commons licensing; using critical thinking and information literacy skills to locate and evaluate high-quality OER, and knowledge of open pedagogy and the benefits of renewable assignments. To obtain the OER Advocate Badge, a faculty member must obtain a score of at least 12 points with all dimensions rated competent or above.

Competency 1	Activities to Complete	Accomplished - 5	Competent - 3	Notes for Facilitator
Knowledge of elements of OER and motivations for considering use or creating OER.	Read the "Getting Started" sections and complete all exercises/reflections/ activities: 1. Introduction to OER 2. Considerations for Using or Creating OER Complete the Section Activity: **Is this an OER?**	• Demonstrates the ability to lead OER adoption and creation efforts. • Can list the benefits of using OER to colleagues and peers. • Can respond to the challenges of using OER.	• Demonstrates knowledge of what an OER is and the elements that define them. • Demonstrates the ability to distinguish between OER and other resources. • Can assess existing teaching materials as potential OER adoption.	
Competency 2	**Activities to Complete**	**Accomplished - 5**	**Competent - 3**	**Notes for Facilitator**
The ability to define copyright and select the appropriate creative commons licenses.	Read "Copyright and Creative Commons sections and complete all exercises/reflections/ activities: 1. Copyright and Open Licensing 2. Creative Commons Licenses Complete the Section Activity: **Adaptation and Attribution for OER**	• Able to explain the purpose of copyright law in the United States. • Able to explain why some CC-licensed content might not be considered OER.	• Able to define copyright and open licenses. • Can describe the four different Creative Commons License components.	

Competency 3	Activities to Complete	Accomplished - 5	Competent - 3	Notes for Facilitator
Demonstrated ability to find OER and evaluate them for quality and rigor.	Read the "Finding OER" sections and complete all exercises/reflections/activities: 1. Evaluating OER 2. Finding Open Content 3. Repositories and Search Tools. 4. Ancillary Content 5. OER in print Complete the Section Activity: **OER Treasure Hunt Worksheet**	• Able to explain why assessing an OER's adaptability is necessary. • Ability to explain why students might want to access a print copy of an OER.	• Able to describe three aspects of an OER that should be assessed before use. • Demonstrates how to conduct a preliminary search for OER using information literacy. • Lists three resources that can be used for finding OER. • Can identify at least two search tools for finding openly licensed media. • Can identify options for acquiring an OER in print.	
Competency 4	**Activities to Complete**	**Accomplished - 5**	**Competent - 3**	**Notes for Facilitator**
Can demonstrate knowledge of open pedagogy, including renewable assignments.	Read "Teaching with OER" sections and complete all exercises/reflections/activities: 1. Open Pedagogy 2. Considerations for Using Open Pedagogy 3. Diversity and Inclusion 4. Assessing Course Outcomes Complete the Section Activity: **Adapting Resources for Inclusion**	• Able to list three tools commonly used for creating renewable assignments.	• Can define open pedagogy. • Can describe the major components of a renewable assignment.	

The OER Advocate competencies referenced and adapted from the following resources: OER trainer's guide v 1.1: competency framework open educational resources and A Basic Guide for OER/Appendix 9: Skills Requirements for Work in Open Educational Resources