

DH OER Champions FAQ

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FUNDING

1. Is the R20,000 funding available per person in the group or per project?

We only have a limited amount of funding available to run this programme over two years. Therefore the total amount available per project (regardless of the number of team members) is R20'000. It will be the responsibility of the project leader to manage the funding and distribute it to the various parties involved.

TEAMS

1. Is the requirement for putting together a team consisting of at least 50% South Africans negotiable?

The most critical aspect of the champions programme is that we really want to help solidify skills and resources for use by South Africans in the South African context. We also want to make sure that people who are familiar with the South African context take the lead in the projects.

If you have international collaborators and are unsure of your compliance with the eligibility criteria, please [get in touch with us](#) to discuss your questions.

Your interdisciplinary, multinational team will most likely be eligible.

2. Can our team include more than five members?

The limit is merely a guide and used by the Champions organisers to keep the project manageable. Projects with larger teams will be considered. Please [reach out to us](#) to discuss. You will be responsible for managing the team, so make sure the team size is manageable for you.



3. Are collaborations allowed with colleagues from other universities as a group?

Yes, definitely. There will just be one person being “responsible” for the funding. The colleagues can be from national or even international organizations. We strongly encourage interdisciplinary/inter-institutional applications.

4. In a group, what is a good number of participants?

We've suggested a limit of 5 people but projects with larger teams will be considered. Please [reach out to us](#) to discuss. You will be responsible for managing the team, so make sure the team size is manageable for you.

It will really depend on what you want to achieve e.g. some teams want to involve students. Giving early career researchers an opportunity to learn and grow their network and skills could be really valuable for your project as well.

Most importantly try to get people in the team that have the skills that you need. Good collaboration is also key.

LICENSING, CREDIT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

1. We would like to acknowledge the work of our students in the MEd in ODL programme. If we would like to use their assignments and involve them, is this possible? If so, what are the processes involved regarding intellectual property, copyright etc.?

Yes, this would be perfect as within open education the concept of renewable assessments is very relevant. In terms of IP and copyright - this will depend on your institutional policy. In terms of OER, however, any resource shared will have to be shared with an open license.



2. If my institution's IP policy does not yet allow for the creation of OER, would one be allowed to participate?

Yes, but you'll need to check the actual wording of the policy. Often there are possibilities.

DH DEFINITION (ELIGIBLE DISCIPLINES)

1. Are disciplines like "Education" and "Law" also regarded as "Humanities" in this context?

In this context almost anything that isn't regarded as STEM will qualify. Education and Law will definitely qualify. We really want to open up how the field of DH is seen, open to experimenting with boundaries. Not only language, but much broader, including music, art, image analysis, history, geography, etc.

ACCESS TO TRAINING/RESOURCES BEYOND THE PROGRAMME

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Depending on how many applications we receive and where they come from, we might approve more than one from a single university. We strongly encourage everyone to apply as this will give us an idea of the interest and scope of projects and justify running additional rounds of the champions programme.

Training sessions will only be open to champions to ensure quality mentoring can be given to successful candidates.



Some of the invited guest sessions may be opened up to the broader community - we will confirm which sessions will be open.

CONTENT

1. How about content that is more practical, like "how-to" kind of material that can be translated into other languages?

Yes, that could definitely be submitted as a proposal.

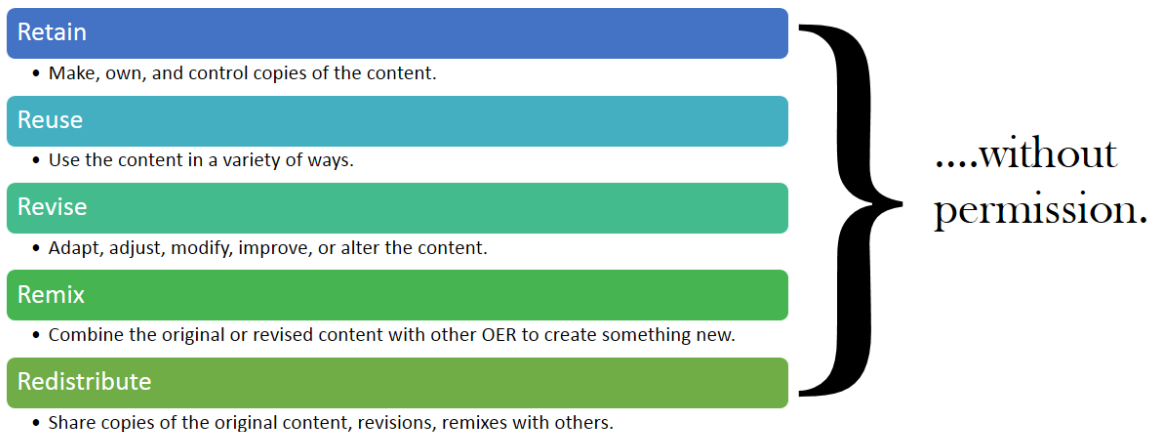
DEFINITIONS OF OERs and LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

1. Do educational resources published under CC-BY-ND (non-derivative) licenses count as OERs?

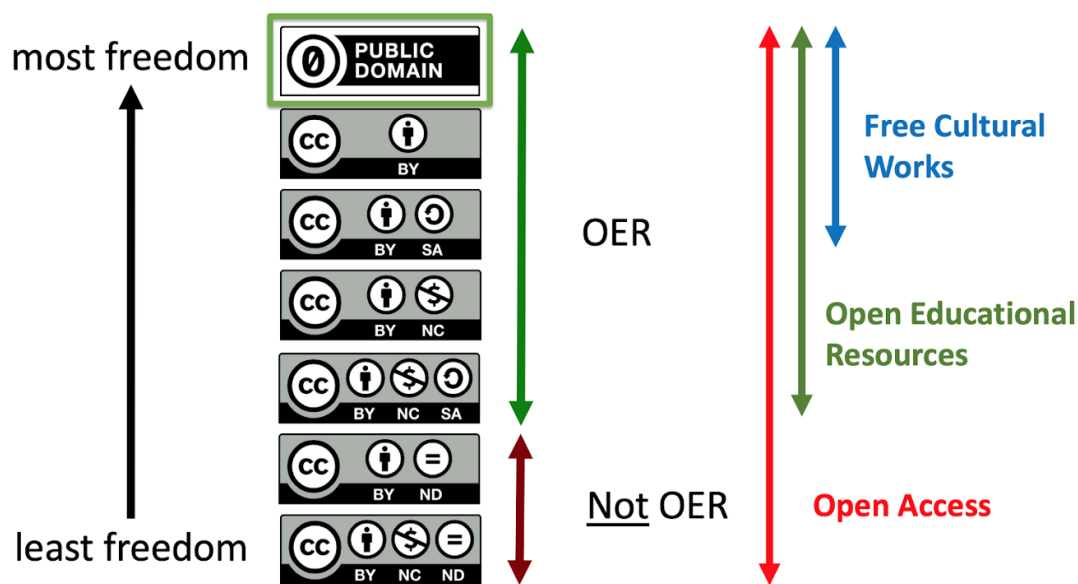
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The 5R Permissions of OER



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