

# Checklist for Evaluating OER Presented by the Oklahoma Council for Online Learning Excellence (COLE)

| BREADTH OF PERSPECTIVES AND ACCURACY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The information in the OER is accurate<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER provides appropriate coverage of material in a clear, logical manner<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER reflects accurate and recent scholarship in terms of the subject matter<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER provides a thorough and evenhanded exploration of course content<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER reflects multiple perspectives and points of view on course topics<br><input type="checkbox"/> Controversies within the discipline/program are discussed with sufficient scope for the course learning outcomes and objectives<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER provides theoretical perspectives for the topic, addressing major theories appropriately<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER contains no spelling errors or typos |          |

| ALIGNMENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> If applicable, the OER aligns 100 percent with the <a href="#">Course Equivalency Tables</a> course description and student learning outcomes – it is clear to students what materials they should interact with in order to demonstrate mastery of specific outcomes. NOTE: Outcomes are updated annually and found in the APPENDIX located on the bottom of the page. |          |

| PRODUCTION QUALITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The content in the OER is clear and understandable<br><input type="checkbox"/> The interface and design are easy to navigate<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER is designed to promote learning<br><input type="checkbox"/> The sound quality is high for audio resources<br><input type="checkbox"/> The video and audio (if included) quality are high |          |

| ADA COMPLIANCE | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Transcript or subtitles are provided for audio resources<br><input type="checkbox"/> Closed captioning or subtitles are provided for video resources<br><input type="checkbox"/> Alt tags or long descriptions are included for graphics |  |
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| STUDENT ACCESS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The OER and support materials are available for use on the first day of class<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER are accessible in multiple modes (e.g. for download, printing, reading online and mobile technology) |          |

| STUDENT ENGAGEMENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The OER promotes active learning, class participation, and/or collaboration<br><input type="checkbox"/> The resource provides opportunities for students to test their learning (e.g. a video or PowerPoint presentation with built-in checks for understanding)<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER includes a mix of instructional approaches<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER includes multiple modalities (e.g. graphics, tables, and information other than text) to support student learning<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER includes additional faculty resources<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER includes effective and engaging student assessments of the course learning outcomes and objectives |          |

| CULTURAL RELEVANCE AND SENSITIVITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The resource establishes inclusion through classroom activities<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER develops an attitude of acceptance and respect for others' opinions<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER enhances meaning through collaborative experiences<br><input type="checkbox"/> The OER provides for self-reflection and self-assessment |          |

| LICENSING | COMMENTS |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Does the resource's license permit educational use of it?      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Does the license allow users to modify or adapt the materials? |  |

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