

Center for Open and Sustainable Learning

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C()SL *Learning is expanding.*



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Where's That?



Outline

this is very informal!

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 - Engineering Education Reform, Educational Digital Libraries, Learning Technology Standards
- Present COSL
 - eduCommons, USU OCW/UOCWA, OHSU, TWB, OER Recommender & OCW Finder
- Future? Us?

About the Center :: Vision

*The Center for Open and Sustainable Learning (COSL,) at Utah State University, is dedicated to **increasing access to educational opportunity worldwide**. At the Center, we believe that all humans beings are endowed with a capacity to learn, improve, and progress. Educational opportunity is the mechanism by which we fulfill that capacity.*

About the Center :: Statistics

- Founder: David Wiley
- Renamed December 2005 (2.5 years)
- Size: 10 Staff (8.75 FTE), 2 Grad Assistants
- Funding: \$6M Total / ~\$1M Annual
- Current Funding Sources:
 - William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
 - National Science Foundation

About the Center :: Philosophy

- Do what we can...
- Recruit the right people
 - Smart, talented, dedicated
- Research and Development
- Build a capability
 - Rapid development, simple, relevant, useful, scalable
- Don't reinvent the wheel
 - Use best of breed, mashups, innovative approaches

Past :: UC Berkeley (1993 – 2004)

- Engineering Education Reform
 - NSF Synthesis Coalition
- Educational Digital Libraries
 - NEEDS—A Digital Library for Engineering Education
 - SMETE.ORG (~30 partners across U.S.)
 - National Science Digital Library
- Learning Technology Standards
 - IEEE Learning Object Metadata, Early IMS

Past :: Cal State University Chancellor's Office (2002-2004)

- Educational Digital Libraries
 - MERLOT

Present :: COSL

- eduCommons
 - OCW Management System, software development, support and marketing
- USU OCW / Utah OCW Alliance
 - Course production
- OER Recommender / OCW Finder
 - Standards, collaboration, interoperability
- Open High School of Utah <- **NEW!**
 - Putting it all together!

Present :: COSL (cont.)

- MOCSL
 - Web 2.0 tools to enable use of open educational resources
- Teachers Without Borders
 - Support and development, capacity building
- Open Learning Support
 - Where we got started, community-based support for OCW

Future :: ???

- COSL
 - Interoperability
 - Open High School
 - Courses and Operations
 - “Library”

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