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Advancing global health education through open educational resources (OER)

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The African Health OER Network fosters co-creation of resources, enabling institutions to share knowledge, address curriculum gaps, and use OER for improving the delivery of health education in Africa. The Network is building the socio-technical infrastructure to draw in more African and, eventually, global participants, while also developing models of collaboration and sustainability that can be replicated in other regions of the world.
## Participating Institutions

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Perceived Benefits of OER

- Global visibility for faculty and the university
- Increased access and student interaction with educational materials
- Lower cost for student access to educational materials
- Decrease faculty time on materials development
- Encourage re-examination of local curriculum and teaching styles
Motivations and Impact

Video clips from KNUST and University of Ghana

See video collection at

http://www.youtube.com/user/openmichigan#grid/user/DF41389B70169F26
Example materials

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Network activities

- Fostering growth and awareness of the Network
- Identifying generalizable lessons in community building
- Promoting policies, practices, and tools
- Aggregating content to develop and deliver a critical mass of learning materials
- Sustaining a community of OER providers and users
Relevant SI skills

- Appropriate technology
- Cultural awareness
- Copyright
- Research (qualitative and quantitative)
- Knowledge management
- Incentive-centered design
Get Involved

Open.Michigan Event Series
Health OER Design Jam
Theme: Student engagement in global health education

Thursday, November 4
11:30 am – 1 pm
North Quad, Media Gateway

Second Annual Student Global Health Day
Co-sponsored by the Center for Global Health, the Center for Human Growth & Development (MHIRT Program), and the Global REACH Program, UM Medical School

Friday, November 5
8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Palmer Commons, 4th Floor
Please RSVP by 10/29/10 to angelay@umich.edu
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