

Affordable Learning PA Project

Designate your School's Campus Partner

The Affordable Learning PA project (ALPa), administered by the Pennsylvania Academic Library Consortium, Inc. (PALCI), seeks the key contact for each campus be designated as Campus Partner for this grant-funded project. Campus Partners are responsible for serving as their campus' liaison to the ALPa project and for promoting the use and creation of open textbooks and other Open Educational Resources (OERs). Knowledge about OERs or willingness to learn is critical for Campus Partners to serve as leaders in the ALPa Community.

This is a volunteer position requiring a two-year initial commitment with the possibility of renewing for an additional 2 years. Campus Partners will serve on one of several working groups and work closely with the ALPa Steering Committee and the OER Specialists to advocate textbook affordability on campuses across the Commonwealth and the region.

About Affordable Learning PA

Affordable Learning Pennsylvania is made possible in part by Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Office of Commonwealth Libraries, Department of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Tom Wolf, Governor. The project will build a community of practice among academic libraries to advance textbook affordability for our students through programs to create awareness, build expertise to lead OER initiatives, and promote best practices and collaboration in the community. PALCI will join the Open Textbook Network (OTN), enabling the ALPa Community to work together with librarians and faculty through the US in support of affordable learning initiatives and content at their institutions.

Responsibilities

- Campus Partners should be a Library staff member or Library appointed designee
- Attend ALPa training, programs and strategy meetings (in-person & virtually)
- Organize and conduct OER training for faculty, librarians, and staff
- Serve on at least one ALPa working group (mostly virtual participation)
- Travel occasionally to local/regional workshops within Pennsylvania

Qualifications/Commitments

- Experience with open educational content or a desire to learn more about OER
- Experience with teaching/training, especially with adult learners
- Able to travel to ALPa-related meetings throughout the region
- Demonstrated advocacy or leadership ability