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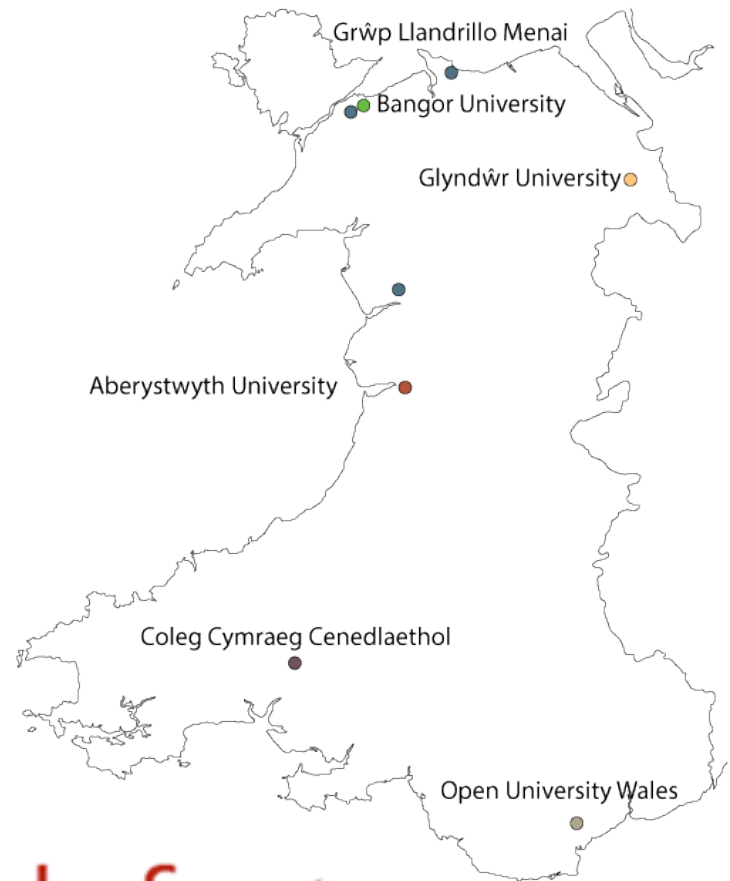
**The Learning Portal :  
Collaboration and Openness in Mid and North  
Wales**



# Who are we and what are we doing?



- HEFCW £1.5M : Dec 2012-15
- Supporting teaching staff to produce digital resources and showcasing them online to inspire potential students into HE



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# How?

- Audio-visual production equipment and space to create resources
- Mobile production team : guidance material, workshops and hands-on assistance



# How?

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Search Study Schemes

## Art History with Fine Art

This degree scheme allows you to engage with the study of art and visual culture from a range of different perspectives and through close engagement with actual works of art. The modules you take in Fine Art will allow you to create your own original work and to draw links between your theoretical knowledge and your own creative practice. As this is a major/minor scheme you will spend two-thirds of your time studying Art History and one-third studying Fine Art. Why study Art History with Fine Art at Aberystwyth?

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**View Course**

**Creating Open Educational Resources: a workshop**  
Tina Wilson, Rose Webb, Giselle Ferreira & Teresa Connolly  
OpenLearn Team  
UK Open University

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Gangnam Style Instructions [Show Details](#)

Creating OER Workshop [Show Details](#)

**Main Details** More ▾

**Subject:** Historical And Philosophical Studies  
**Course Type:** Undergraduate Degree  
**How you will study:** Daytime  
**Your commitment:** Full time  
**Where you will be based:** Campus  
**Duration Details:** 2015  
**Duration:** 3 year(s)

**More Like This**

- Art History with Fine Art
- International Politics / Economic and Social History
- Conservation and Forest Ecosystems BSc (Hons)

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**PRIFYSGOL ABERYSTWYTH UNIVERSITY**

Aberystwyth University has a proud history dating back to 1872 – when it was established by the people of Wales as the first Welsh University. Since its early days the University has developed areas of great strength.

Aberystwyth University

Your Journey Public Transport View on Google Maps

- A browsable database of higher education study schemes
- Open standards used to supply data (XCRI-CAP)
- Associated inspirational tasters of course material.



# What's it got to do with OER or building communities of practice?

The Learning Portal | Blog | Schemes | Resources | Institutions | Language | Login / Register

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## Putting the online experience at the heart of a module

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Madeline Carr is a Lecturer of International Politics and the Cyber Dimension at Aberystwyth University. She specialises in the Internet and its place in International Politics. Madeline was recently a joint winner of the University's Exemplary Course Award for the high standard of her course design and implementation of the module "International Politics and the Cyber Dimension", an optional part of an International Politics degree at Aberystwyth.

Madeline Carr, Aberystwyth University - the On...

In this video, Madeline discusses the advantages for both students and staff of using the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) as a vehicle for teaching and learning. In the video she points out how using the VLE:

- allows students to have a 'one-stop-shop' for course information and teaching materials;
- allows students to easily find links to relevant online materials for topic research;
- is very popular with students and makes the module more engaging for them;
- enables students to easily review lecture recordings;
- allows teachers to assess online seminars using discussion boards;
- allows teachers to use both face-to-face and online methods;
- and this enables students to think and reflect before making a considered contribution;
- which in turn allows teachers to spot any misconceptions or clarify any misunderstandings that are apparent in the posts;
- teaches skills that are generic, like debating skills, critical analysis; and time management.

Madeline is an enthusiastic advocate of online teaching methods and this short video will encourage teachers to reflect on their own use of VLE's and how this can enhance their own teaching practice. Any comments are welcome.

A recording of this conversation is also available as a [podcast](#). Madeline has also created [this](#) informative overview of how she uses a virtual learning environment to co-ordinate her course.

### About the Author

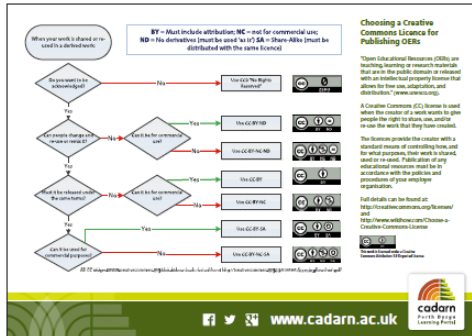
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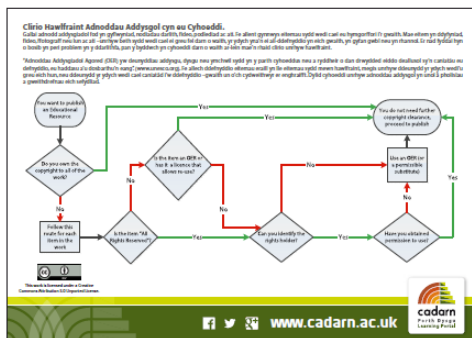
- partner case-studies
- sharing the best and innovative teaching practice,
- guides to educational resource production
- regular e-learning support team meetings
- Sharing of experience within the group



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A4 Guide - (Creative Commons)  
Scale 100%



A4 Guide - (Clearing Education)  
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- ER produced for the portal strongly encouraged to use Creative Commons licences
- Supporting the Wales OER declaration
- Building a community among apparently competing HEI's



# What's next?

- Still a work in progress but major functionality achieved
- Closed beta test site shared with partners
- full launch Spring 2015
- Extensive blog content already, open to relevant guest blog posts
- Our first guides to Copyright Clearance and Creative Commons available at [www.cadarn.ac.uk](http://www.cadarn.ac.uk), more to follow...
- Media production team interviews next week, media lab following week
- Cloud based video editing integration, webinars
- Learner pathways, links to employers





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