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Irish Studies South now available at Digital Commons

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The new journal *Irish Studies South* is now available in Digital Commons. Howard Keeley, Director of the Center for Irish Research and Teaching, sponsors the journal. He also acts as one of its editors. The first issue commemorating the one year anniversary of the death of Seamus Heaney, a Nobel prize winning poet, is now available. Each issue will have a guest editor, and Rand Brandes is the editor of the inaugural issue.

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Affordable Learning Georgia: The Positive Effect of OERs on Higher Education

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The Affordable Learning Georgia initiative seeks to make higher education more obtainable for Georgia residents by providing access to Open Educational Resources (OERs). While the adoption of OERs by Affordable Learning Georgia and other programs is a relatively new phenomenon, early case studies have shown that these programs have had a positive impact on students. One study focusing on the use of Mathematics OERs at Mercy College in Dobbs Ferry, New York found that “using OER led to an over 50x increase (i.e. a 5000% improvement) in percentage passing per dollar” according to David Wiley, co-founder and Chief Academic Officer of Lumen Learning. More information about these OER and Student Success studies is available in the August 25-31 issue of the Affordable Learning Georgia newsletter.

More information about Affordable Learning Georgia is available here.

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