



# Meet Pressbooks

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## History/Context

- Rhode Island Open Textbook Initiative
- Campus Accessibility Efforts

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**What intrigues you about Pressbooks?**

**Are there uses or possibilities you are already imagining?**

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# Uses & Examples



# Organization and Sharing

Archiving & Curating Collections

Developing Course “Workbooks”

Sharing Original Resources or Course Content

Embed Multimedia in Original Resources

Write Collaboratively

- Pressbooks offers customizable privacy settings - we'll cover that in a bit!

# The 5 Rs of Open

“Open Education encompasses resources, tools and practices that are free of legal, financial and technical barriers and can be fully used, shared and adapted in the digital environment” - SPARC\*



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# Adapting Existing Content

... a Book, a Chapter, or a Page!

Pressbooks Directory











- <https://pressbooks.directory/>

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# Student Authorship

“Knowledge consumption and knowledge creation are not separate but parallel processes, as knowledge is co-constructed, contextualized, cumulative, iterative, and recursive.” – Robin DeRosa and Rajiv Jhangiani

- Makes Teaching and Learning Visible
- (Re)Imagines “Disposable Assignments”
- Shifts Audience from Individual to Collective

## Black Lives Matter Collective Storytelling Project

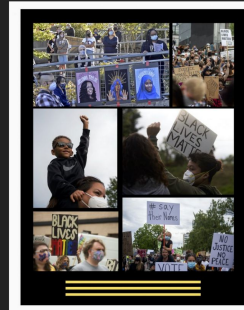
Student reflections on race, racism and racial justice

A University of Washington Tacoma cross-course collaboration between TSOC 265 and TCOM 347 courses.



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# Meet Pressbooks



## Getting Started

- Sign in with RIC ID (before the @ in your email) and password

### Book Creation:

- Create a New Book
- Clone A Book - great for revising and remixing!

### Adding Co-Authors and Contributors:

- Users must sign in to Pressbooks before you can add them to your book
- Set [Roles](#) to allow different users different permissions



## Structure & Features

- Book Info
- Traditional book structure: front and back matter, sections, chapters, etc.
- Glossary terms & textboxes
- Media embedding and interactive plugins



## Finishing Touches & Publishing

- Appearance/Theme
- Book Cover
- Exporting

# Reminder!

Your URL is permanent. Consider writing your book elsewhere and bringing it in to Pressbooks to publish and share when you're ready.



# Your Turn!

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## Resources

- Pressbooks Support: <https://pressbooks.com/support/>
- Pressbooks Guide: <https://library.ric.edu/pressbooks>
- Open-Enabled Pedagogy Guide: <https://library.ric.edu/open-enabled-pedagogy>
- [\*A Guide to Making Open Textbooks with Students\*](#)
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