## Library Publishing, Open Books and Open Educational Resources (OER): challenges and opportunities for teachers

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#### Concerns/difficulties about book publishing at USP

- LP concept is not known as a set of practices that can be implemented, developed as a centralized publication service;
- Brazilian universities are focused on journals publication;
- LP is not associated with the University Press;
- Brazilian funding agencies favor scientific dissemination in journals over books.







Source: Library Integrated System - SIBiUSP

#### **USP Journals Portal**



#### **Repository** Digital Library of Intellectual Production of Universidade de São Paulo





Source: Library Integrated System - SIBiUSP

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EDUSP University Press challenge meets the demand for production of educational collection (PIPLDE program)

- 200 applications received from 32 USP Institutes/Colleges
  - 48 selected
    - 6 published in 2018



#### **CAPES – Brazilian Funding Agency**

Encourages the qualification of the faculty of public universities' by furnishing resources and contributing to the development of a system of evaluation of graduate courses with internationally standards of quality.



Simultaneously, CAPES promotes the evaluation of publications by committees through the establishment of a set of qualifiers (Balbachevsky, 2005) in order to guarantee quality.

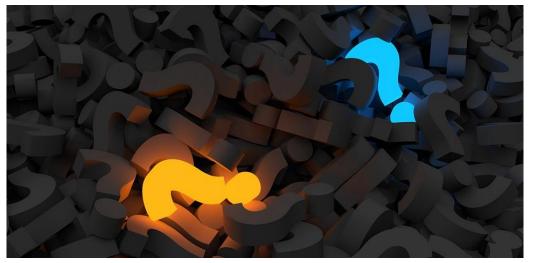


**2009 | Qualis-books** (CAPES) Guide for the classification of books for evaluation of graduate programs

type of publisher, distribution and access, editorial board, funding, reissue, awards, content qualitative evaluation, authorship with participation of undergraduates, originality, relevance, potential impact.

2019 | New Qualis-books is coming ...

# How provide criteria and new instruments to evaluate books according their singularities?



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#### 2016 | USP Open Books Portal



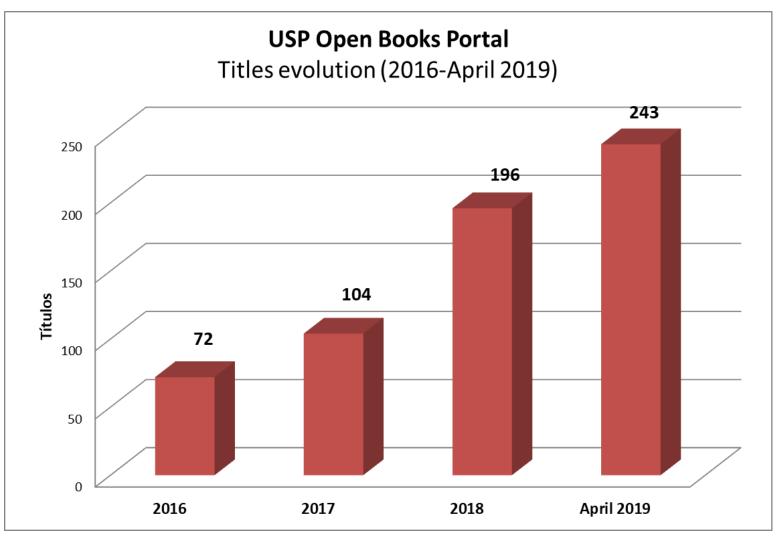






#### **USP Open Books Portal**

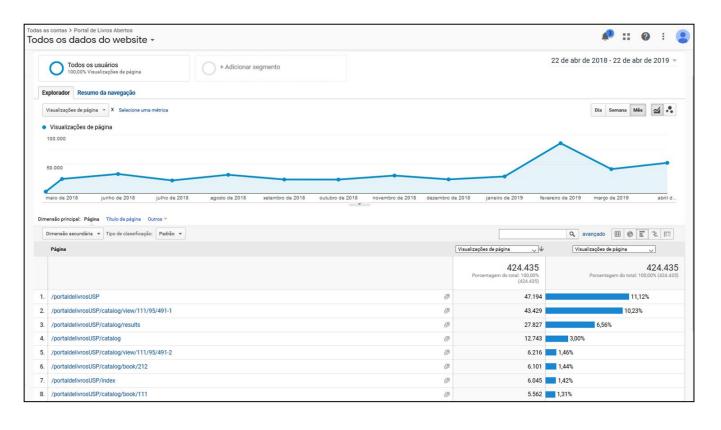
Teachers' interest proved by subsequent demand for publication of books indicated by the **Commissions of Culture and Extension** of colleges and institutes in order to integrate teaching, research, culture and extension.





#### Where are the users from?

#### Google Analytics | 2018 Apr - Apr 2019



País ?		Aquisição		
		Usuários ⊘ ↓	Novos usuários ?	Sessões ?
		114.830 Porcentagem do total: 100,00% (114.830)	116.505 Porcentagem do total: 100,12% (116.361)	171.079 Porcentagem do total: 100,00% (171.079)
1.	■ Brazil	108.839 (94,36%)	110.094 (94,50%)	162.562 (95,02%)
2.	United States	1.460 (1,27%)	1.440 (1,24%)	1.579 (0,92%)
3.	Portugal	<b>899</b> (0,78%)	891 (0,76%)	1.181 (0,69%)
4.	Peru	<b>454</b> (0,39%)	453 (0,39%)	565 (0,33%)
5.	Colombia	440 (0,38%)	440 (0,38%)	705 (0,41%)
6.	Mozambique	<b>343</b> (0,30%)	342 (0,29%)	391 (0,23%)
7.	Spain	<b>318</b> (0,28%)	310 (0,27%)	454 (0,27%)
8.	Angola	<b>296</b> (0,26%)	297 (0,25%)	351 (0,21%)
9.	Argentina	204 (0,18%)	<b>199</b> (0,17%)	249 (0,15%)
10.	France	<b>175</b> (0,15%)	169 (0,15%)	238 (0,14%)
11.	Germany	<b>152</b> (0,13%)	147 (0,13%)	277 (0,16%)
12.	Mexico	<b>135</b> (0,12%)	132 (0,11%)	171 (0,10%)
13.	United Kingdom	131 (0,11%)	129 (0,11%)	160 (0,09%)
14.	[◆] Canada	126 (0,11%)	118 (0,10%)	190 (0,11%)
15.	Chile	112 (0,10%)	109 (0,09%)	142 (0,08%)



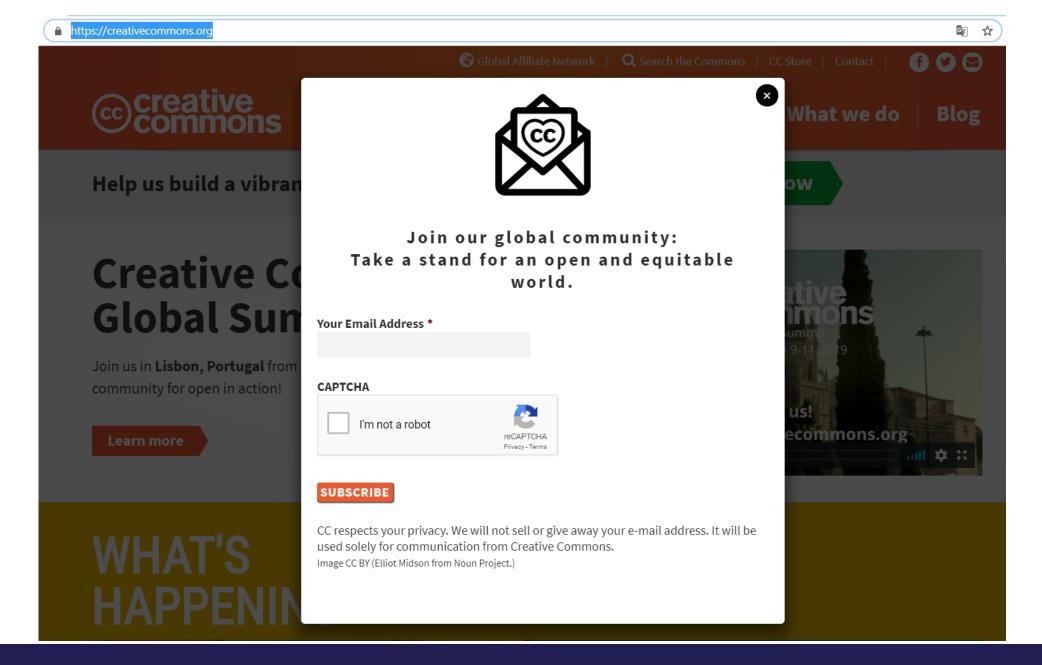
University community efforts encourages for the integration of library publishing that can be consolidated:

- Thematic meetings;
- Identification of capacities;
- Orientation and adoption of publication procedures focused on this goal.



Researchers are eager to be read within and outside the academy, and LP can contribute to this.





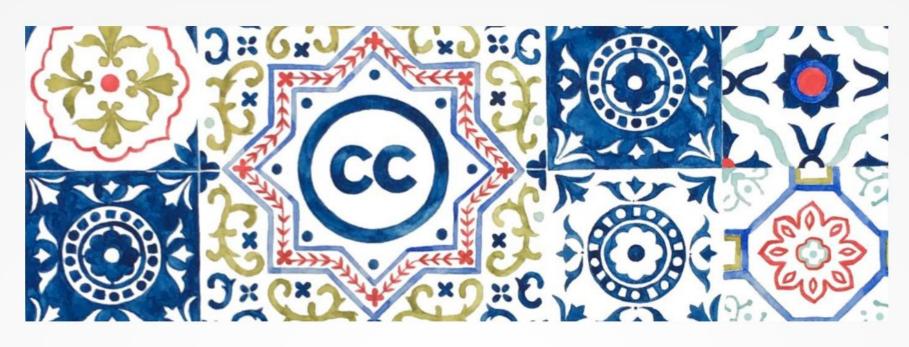


Registration

Program

Logistics

Sponsorship



The next Global Summit will be held in Lisbon, Portugal May 9-11 2019.

Registration is nearly full!

Volunteer spots still open!

#### **Open Educational Resources (OER)**

"teaching, learning and research materials in any medium, digital or otherwise, that reside in the public domain or have been released under an open license that permits no-cost access, use, adaptation and redistribution by others with no or limited restrictions. Open licensing is built within the existing framework of intellectual property rights as defined by relevant international conventions and respects the authorship of the work." (UNESCO, 2012:1)



#### **Challenges for teachers**

Challenges of Library publishing implementation from the teachers 'perspective:

- "A hole to be completed";
- High demand for writing and many questions for publishing;
- Lack of confidence;
- Collaboration to publishing.



#### **Challenges for teachers**



A key concern for educators and senior managers of educational institutions about the concept of OER relates to 'giving away' intellectual property, with potential loss of commercial gain that might come from it. This is often combined with a related anxiety that others will take unfair advantage of their intellectual property, benefitting by selling it, plagiarizing it (i.e. passing it off as their own work), or otherwise exploiting it. These concerns are completely understandable.

"[...] it is important to determine what is truly driving the concerns of educators. When the concern is the **loss of commercial opportunity**, this requires a particular response (engaging with the incentives for sharing). But when this is masking a concern about **peer and student scrutiny**, this needs to be dealt with differently (and will usually involve some policy or management drive to overcome resistance to change)."



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#### **Opportunities for teachers**

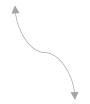
- ✓ Low cost publishing;
- Diffusion of knowledge;
- Gathering interests and efforts to expand scholarly communication;
- ✓ Sharing content: give an account to society (reciprocate society).



#### **Opportunities for teachers**

"OER has emerged as a concept with great potential to support educational transformation. While its educational value lies in the idea of using resources as an integral method of communication of curriculum in educational courses (i.e. resource-based learning), its transformative power lies in the ease with which such resources, when digitized, can be shared via the Internet. Importantly, there is only one key differentiator between an OER and any other educational resource: its licence. Thus, an OER is simply an educational resource that incorporates a licence that facilitates reuse, and potentially adaptation, without first requesting permission from the copyright holder."





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#### Some examples



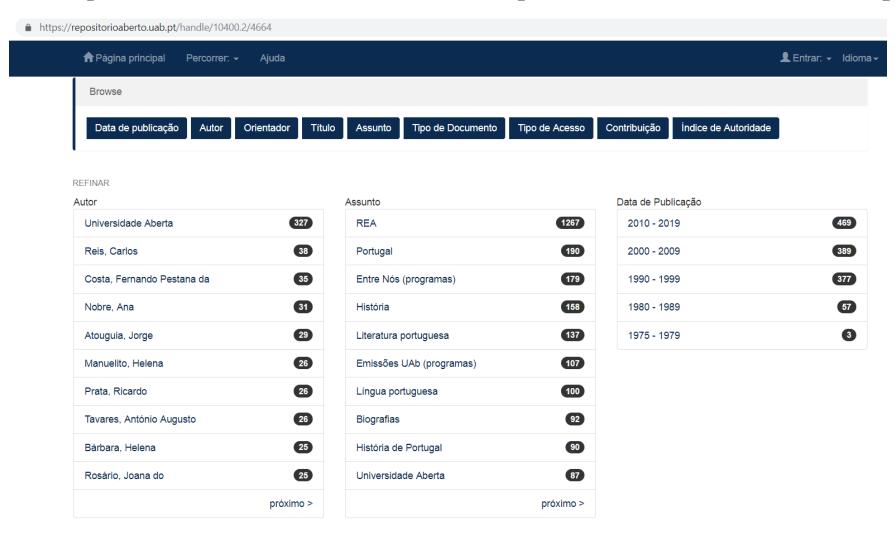
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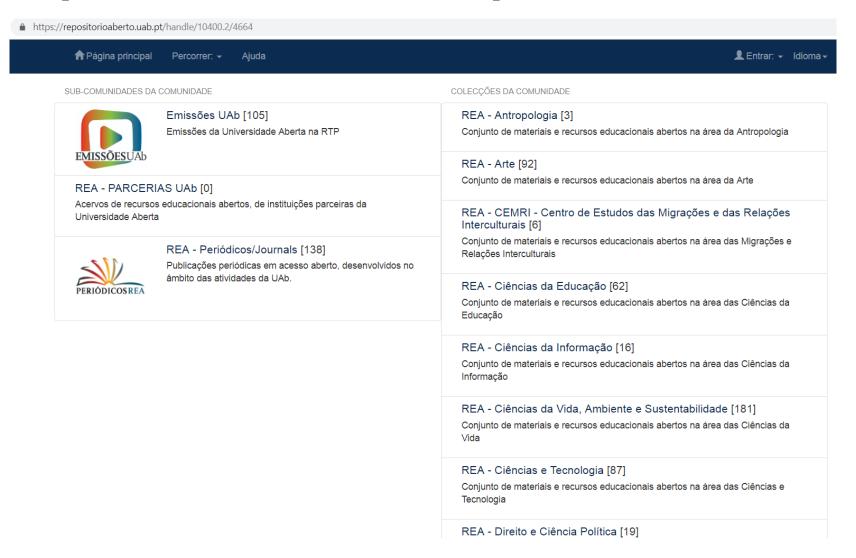


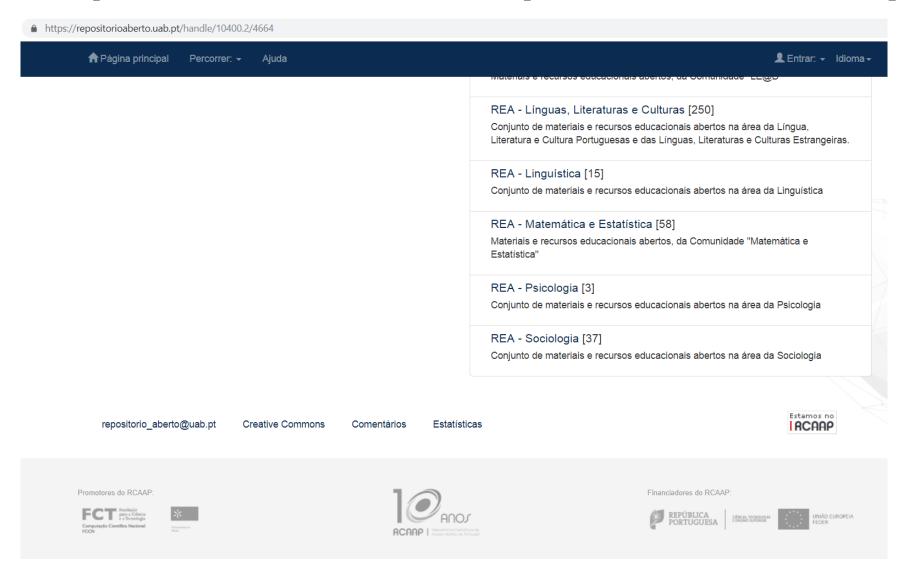
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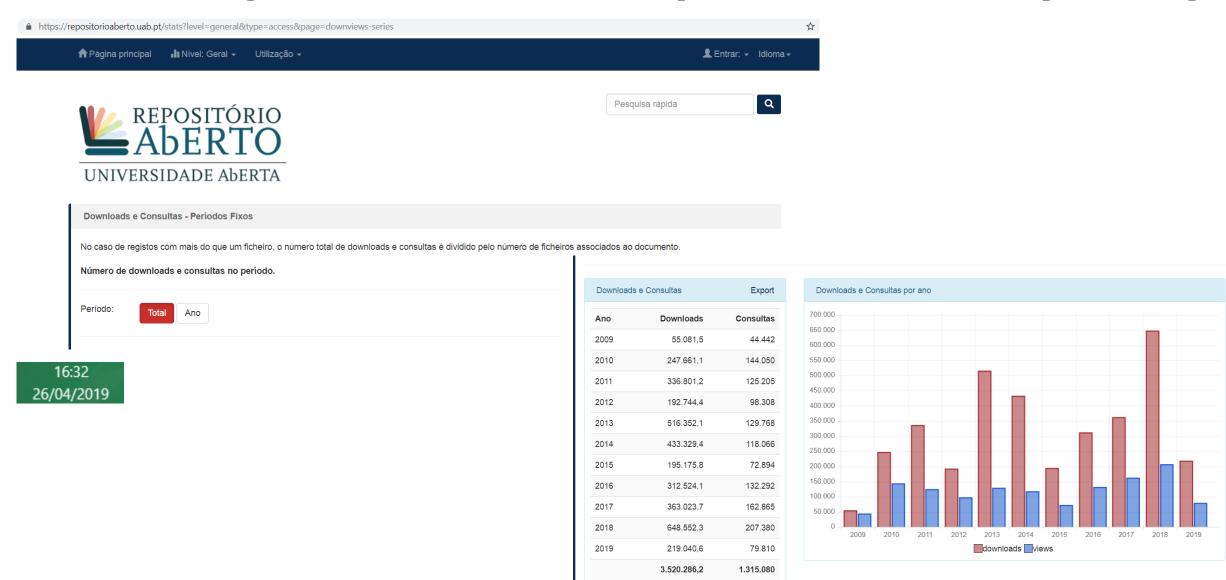
https://research.lesley.edu/oer

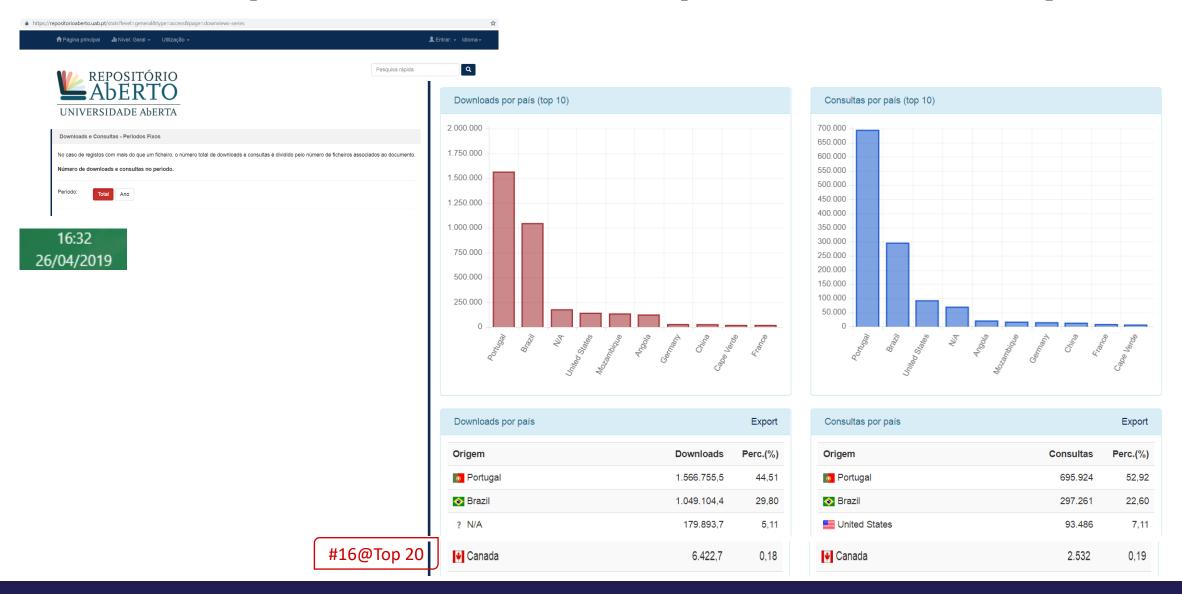












#### **Final remarks**

Open Books have been growing, but that does not necessary imply a growth on Library Publishing.

#### However,



can contribute to address the topics of quality, innovation, access, cost and dissemination, among others, posed by library publishing... including for teachers!



### THANK YOU!

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