

We have followed an open-open-open model. Creating open access content on open source publishing platforms, and distributing the content via open platforms. We have also implemented Dove

Books Analytics Dashboard project. The primary goal of both our initial direction and our revised plan was to create a better understanding of the usage and impact of the collection. The Books Analytics Dashboard integration allows us to see all usage across the content hosting platforms.

Pilot Project Lessons Learned

The Big Ten Open Books pilot project phase surfaced several areas requiring deeper examination to fully realize the potential impact of collective action on the future of OA monograph publishing.

Many different methods were used to secure copyright permissions for creating open access editions. In some cases, the process was very effective, in others, it was time consuming and problematic. Our understanding of the variety of practices employed will inform future conversations an

"I really appreciate that this is available. It's important to me to know my elders' experiences, resources and especially literature. I'm a disabled (challenged) thank you for this."

- "Thank you for this wonderful project. It's great to have knowledge outside the closed walls of a classroom."

Publications and Press

In the summer of 2023, we shared our findings with various organizations and influential experts. Our work created a strong foundation of knowledge about life experiences of older adults with disabilities.



