# AN INFORMATION LITERACY APPROACH TO STANDARDS EDUCATION

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### Background

- Purdue Libraries-MET program partnership
- Prof. McPherson's class
  - "everyday objects" standards assignment
- Faculty discomfort
  - 49% of survey respondents reported "lack of faculty expertise" as an impediment to teaching about standards (Khan, Karim, & McLain, 2013)





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### Project

**Open Standards Education Platform** 

- Interactive, online modules (4)
- Case study assignments written, video
- Case study database
- Badging





#### **1. An Introduction to Standards for Product Design**

- Purpose & value of standards
- Major kinds of standards and their uses
- Process of creating & revising standards
- SDO's who create standards commonly used in product design

#### 2. Anatomy of a Standard

- Parts of a standard
- How to navigate a standards document
- Differences between standards and other publication types



### **Online Module Details... cont.**

#### 3. Discovering & Locating Standards

- Develop appropriate terminology and strategies to search for standards
- Databases and websites for standards discovery
- Locate and access the full text of standards documents

#### 4. Standards in Everyday Objects

• Determine what kinds of standards might apply to an artifact, or a component of the artifact.



### **Online Module Development**

#### **Articulate Storyline 2**







### CASE STUDIES & DATABASE

#### **Case study assignments**

- Written cases
  - 1-2 pages
- Video cases
  - demonstrating students performing standards-in-action

#### Database

- Contains shareable links to student-produced cases
- Searchable by:
  - Standard (SDO, title, number)
  - Item/topic
  - Companies that utilize the standard



### Badging

#### **Transferable credentials**

#### Purdue Passport platform: www.openpassport.org





## Questions?



A. S. Khan, A. Karim, and J. A. McClain, "The state of the use of standards in engineering and technology education," in *ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition*, ID# 7948, 2013.

