

2017 Textbooks and OER

1. Point out any ideas that you think may not be completely valid.
 - a. Group 1 - A used book can be purchased and course codes can be bought separately, which is cheaper than a new bundle with a new textbook.
 - b. Group 2 - Books could possibly be in the library, but textbooks are generally not in the library or in any volume. They can reserve a reference book to use for shorter durations.
 - c. Group 3 - Some programs are accredited and only the current version of the textbook is able to be used.
 - d. Group 4 - Price ranges can vary for used editions of the textbooks. The SCC bookstore will price match against big vendors such as Amazon or Barnes and Noble. SCC bookstore can only price match +/- \$100.

2. Consider each of the options Teddy is presented with. Which do you think might be most effective?
 - a. Group 1 - Go talk to someone at the bookstore. Allie will help you figure things out.
 - b. Group 2 - Ditto
 - c. Group 3 - Ditto
 - d. Group 4 - Ditto

3. Has anyone had experience with OER (Open Educational Resources)?
 - a. What is OER? Any resources that you have access to.
 - b. Aggregators - Large collections at one site, but not vetted
 - c. Curators - Highly quality of vetting, but possibly less resources.
 - d. Allie has a list of OER resources that can be shared with instructors.
 - e. Danell will share a list of OER resources.

4. What questions might you suggest Teddy could ask the bookstore?
 - a. Group 1 - See if they know anyone else teaching the course for textbook ideas. When is this textbook going to a new edition? Bookstore can help you find older additions on a case by case basis.
 - b. Group 2 - What is the most economical path for the students? The bookstore works to make as many books rentals as possible, especially if they are used for consecutive semesters. Some textbooks have eBook options that are cheaper for students who don't mind that option.
 - c. Group 3 - Ask the bookstore about bundling options for multiple textbooks with single access codes. This works for grouping books/codes from the same publisher.
 - d. Group 4 - eBooks depending on if they are cheaper and what format is best for the student. Warn students about buying online from anywhere since often the ISBN is for a bundle and access code is used already for the used textbook. Publishers may offer a significantly cheaper version in looseleaf format, but be aware the bookstore won't buy those back. Some publishers allow for a

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customized paperback version of the textbook for chapters that the instructor chooses.

5. Consider the information the student provides: is his/her concern valid?
 - a. Group 1 -
 - b. Group 2 -
 - c. Group 3 -
 - d. Group 4 -

Bookstore notes:

- The end of March will be the deadline for summer/fall textbook adoptions.
- Make sure ISBN is correct if it is a bundle or special version of the textbook that includes additional resources (CD, access codes, etc).