

## Textbook Affordability Small Grant, 2017/2018

Overview	
<b>Goal</b>	To encourage and support adoption of low-or no-cost course materials in order to save students money.
<b>Award</b>	Faculty whose projects are selected will receive a \$500 grant to redesign a course and replace a commercial textbook with an open textbook that requires no modification; a \$1,000 grant to revise or remix an existing open textbook. Appropriate support to find, adopt, or adapt an existing open educational textbook or other education resources to replace a traditional, high-cost textbook will be provided by the Michael Schwartz Library, the Center for eLearning, and the Center for Instructional Technology and Distance Learning, and the Center for Faculty Excellence. Five awards are available.
<b>Requirements</b>	Faculty awarded a grant will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the project by August 15, or alternative date to be approved by the grant committee.</li> <li>• Evaluate the impact on student learning at the end of the course</li> <li>• Provide a report to the sponsors at the end of the project</li> <li>• Share experience with others through appropriate events or information channels including at the Provost's Teaching Summit (held each year in April)</li> <li>• Choose a license for any materials authored using this award that will enable, at a minimum, CSU students and instructors to use them freely inside and outside of the course.</li> </ul>
<b>Criteria</b>	Applications are due April 23, 2018 and will be judged according to the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total dollars saved (price of current course material costs X enrollment)</li> <li>• Articulated plan to assess impact and quality of student learning</li> <li>• Feasibility that others might adopt for other sections</li> <li>• Sustainability (how possible it will be to continue to use the new material(s) over a sustained period of time)</li> <li>• Priority will be given for projects that support general education courses attracting significant enrollments.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Types</b>	<b>Redesign</b> your course to adopt an existing open textbook <b>as is</b> or use other open course content to replace a traditional, high-cost commercial textbook with a free, low-cost, or open alternative. (Grant of \$500)  <b>Revise/Remix/Adapt</b> an existing open textbook or other open education resource (OER) and/or create new open content to bridge gaps in available resources. New content may add chapters to existing open textbooks or be used to create ancillaries such as quiz question banks, lecture slides, or lab manuals. <b>Goal—to replace a traditional, high-cost textbook with an open textbook, articles, book excerpts, audio, or video that are open access or licensed through the Library.</b> (Grant of \$1,000; half up front/remainder upon completion of project.)
<b>Sponsors</b>	This grant is offered by the Michael Schwartz Library in collaboration with the Center for eLearning, Center for Instructional Technology and Distance Learning (CITDL), and the Center for Faculty Excellence.