

Textbook Affordability Small Grant Overview 2019

Overview	
Goal	To encourage and support adoption of low-or no-cost course materials in order to save students money.
Award	Faculty whose projects are selected will receive 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.
Requirements	Faculty awarded a grant will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the project by May 15, 2019, or alternative date to be approved by the grant committee. • Evaluate the impact on student learning at the end of the course • Provide a report to the sponsors at the end of the project • Share experience with others through appropriate events or information channels including at the Provost's Teaching Summit (held each year in April) • 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.
Criteria	Applications are due November 23, 2018 (new date!) and will be judged according to the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total dollars saved (price of current course material costs X enrollment) • Articulated plan to assess impact and quality of student learning • Feasibility that others might adopt for other sections • Sustainability (how possible it will be to continue to use the new material(s) over a sustained period of time) • Priority will be given for projects that support general education courses attracting significant enrollments.
Project Types	Revise/Remix/Adapt 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. 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. (Grant of \$1,000; half up front/remainder upon completion of project.)
Sponsors	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.