Textbook Freedom Initiative

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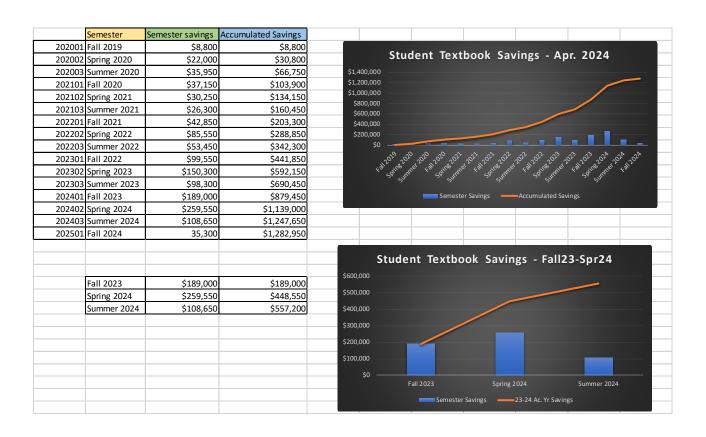


Open Education Resources Initiative

- Higher Learning Commission Conference (2018)
- Commissioned a committee in 2018 led by Lee Miller
- OER certification process supports a faculty member's research to identify open educational resources. Resources may be at no-cost or low-cost (\$50 and under). Faculty members then use the resources to adjust their course design towards certification.
- As of May 6, 2024, 161 classes have been OER certified by 65 faculty members.
- As of May, 2024, students have saved approximately \$1,282,950 in course resources.



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Textbook Freedom Options

- Two pathways
 - New Systemwide General Education
 - Degree Completion (AA,AGS and AS)
- All courses are OER certified; low-cost (maximum \$50 per course)
- 38 faculty contributing to the coursework
- All classes offered via Barton Online



Textbook Freedom Campaign

Campaign Focus: opportunity for students to "free" themselves from the increasing costs of college textbooks and course materials

April

- News release announcing the low-cost pathway
- Postcard to high school students
- Email series to current students
- Updates to college webpages; new landing page
- May
 - Email series to current students continues (June, July & August too)
 - Paid ads begin (social media, Google, local web ads, billboards, tv, radio, theatre ads, FR/FL digital ads)
 - Marketing drip email series begins in conjunction with paid ads/landing page (June, July & August)
 - 2nd news release highlighting chemistry lab kits
- July
 - Second postcard to high school students
- August
 - Posters to all Kansas high schools



Comments & Questions

