

FALL 2026 ADOPTIONS DUE:

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SPRING FINALS BUYBACK:

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Instant Access Complete Needs Faculty Help!

Last semester, we reported that the Instant Access Complete program faces **serious pressure from increased publisher costs threatening the sustainability of our program**. This continues to be the case, and as a result, we have had no choice but to increase our rates for AY 26/27 to \$285 for full time undergraduate students and \$185 for part time/ graduate students.

To hold this new rate steady for years to come, **we need your help!**

That's why we're inviting all faculty and instructors to attend our Course Materials Affordability Resource Fair on 3/19, 4th floor of the University Library 10am - 2pm.

This first ever Affordability Resource Fair will give you the opportunity to learn about lower cost alternatives to the big commercial platforms. We will have vendors offering low cost e-book and courseware options tabling and available to answer faculty questions and demonstrate their products, as well as information about the Affordable Learning Solutions initiative, accessibility, library resources and more.

Lunch will be provided! To RSVP or learn more, contact the bookstore at bookstore@cpp.edu.

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Some of the vendors attending include:

- Oxford University Press
- Libre Text
- LAD Publishing
- Edfinity
- Sage Publishing
- XanEdu/
- VitalSource

We know not all faculty will be able to make it to this event, so here are some links to low cost courseware/learning technology providers. Many of these products can work alongside free OER texts from OpenStax and OpenTextbooks.org:

- Edfinity: <https://edfinity.com/products>
- LAD Publishing: <https://ladcustompub.info/lad-digital>
- LibreText: <https://adapt-promo.libretexts.org/>
- Lumen Learning: <https://lumenlearning.com/course-catalog/>
- Kudu: <https://kudu.com/index.html>
- MIT Open Courseware: <https://ocw.mit.edu/>
- Pressbooks: <https://als.calstate.edu/pressbooks>
- VitalSource - Bookshelf+ and CoachME: <https://toolkit.vitalsource.com/m/5560713a3af48ecc/original/Bookshelf-General-One-Page-Overview.pdf>
- XanEdu: <https://www.xanedu.com/>

IMPORTANT NOTE: Updated WCAG 2.1AA Accessibility Standards Impact Course Materials

Starting April 1, 2026, all public colleges and universities **must** comply with the Department of Justice's new ADA Title II rule, which requires all digital experiences—including websites, mobile apps and Learning Management System (LMS) course content—to meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 AA standards. The standards require that **all** content be made accessible or archived properly, rather than requiring that accommodations/remediations be provided when requested by a person with a disability. They also state that institutions bear the responsibility for ensuring accessibility rather than content providers and vendors.

What does this mean for faculty? Basically: course materials you adopt must meet these standards, regardless of whether they'll be integrated with Canvas. This applies to textbooks, course-packs, articles, case studies, simulations, courseware, and courseware-like educational technology products like Packback, Perusall and GoReact. We encourage faculty to check with the vendors pitching materials to you whether they meet these standards, and if not, what steps they're taking to get to compliance.

Most (but not all) VitalSource e-texts are accessible or on their way to being so. However, many other materials are not, or don't have their accessibility status documented one way or the other. So we will be working out a process with IT to review new adoptions for online products. Non-accessible materials may be rejected from the Instant Access Complete program. In that case, faculty shouldn't require students to purchase those items directly as that puts the whole university at risk.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Summer 2026 - Fall 2026

DATE	IMPORTANT DATE DESCRIPTION
03/06/26	Due date for Summer 2026 adoptions
03/10/26	Summer 2026 course materials information available for students to look up on: https://pomona.verbacompare.com
04/03/26	Fall 2026 course materials adoptions due
04/09/26	Fall 2026 course materials information must be available for students to look up on: https://pomona.verbacompare.com
04/17/26	Remaining Spring 26 books not picked up by students and not adopted for Summer/Fall shipped back to vendors
05/11 - 05/15/26	Textbook buyback
05/15 - 05/17/26	COMMENCEMENT – Bookstore open special hours, check website
05/25/26	Bookstore closed for Memorial Day
06/03/26	Summer 10 week and 1st 5 week classes begin
06/09/26	LAST DAY TO OPT OUT OF INSTANT ACCESS for 10-week and 1st 5-week
06/26/26	Bookstore CLOSED for annual inventory
07/01/26	INSTANT ACCESS COMPLETE CHARGES FOR FALL 2026 POST
07/09/26	Summer 2nd 5 week classes begin
07/14/26	LAST DAY TO OPT OUT OF INSTANT ACCESS for 2nd 5-week session
07/17/26	Deadline for late adoptions of <u>non-digital</u> materials with confidence of arrival by start of Fall classes
08/15/26	Students have access to published Fall course in Canvas and can opt out of IAC from Canvas
08/20/26	Fall classes begin
08/28/26	Last day for regular refunds for non-IAC Fall textbooks
09/04/26	LAST DAY STUDENTS CAN OPT OUT OF INSTANT ACCESS COMPLETE CHARGE
09/04/26	Last day for non-IAC textbook refunds for dropped Fall classes
09/07/26	Bookstore closed for Labor Day
10/08/26	Winter 2027 Intersession adoptions due
10/12/26	Spring 2027 adoptions due

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Summer 2026 - Fall 2026

10/19/26	Bookstore begins shipping back remaining print books not requested again for Winter/Spring 2027
11/26 - 11/27/26	Bookstore closed for Thanksgiving holiday
12/07 - 12/11/26	Fall finals buyback for print books
12/14 - 12/23/26	Winter break reduced hours
12/24/26 - 01/01/27	Bookstore closed for holiday break

SUMMER 2026 TEXTBOOK REFUNDS/OPT OUT DATES

SESSION OU: 10-WEEK SESSION, 06/03/26 - 08/13/26

Last day to return is 06/09/26. Register or Web Receipt dated between 04/13/26 and 06/09/26 required.

SESSION OU1: 1st 5-WEEK SESSION, 06/03/26 - 07/07/26

Last day to return is 06/09/26. Register or Web Receipt dated between 04/13/26 and 06/09/26 required.

* SESSION OU2: 2nd 5-WEEK SESSION, 07/09/26- 08/14/26

Last day to return is 07/14/26. Register or Web Receipt dated between 04/13/26 and 07/14/26 **AND** copy of student's class schedule reflecting enrollment in Session OU2 required.

INSTANT ACCESS OPT OUT DEADLINE:

OU: 06/09/26

OU1: 06/09/26

OU2: 07/14/26

FALL SEMESTER 2026 TEXTBOOK REFUNDS/OPT OUT DATES

REGULAR REFUNDS

Last day to return Fall course material is 08/28/26. Receipt dated 07/01/26 - 08/28/26 and photo I.D. required for refunds on textbook purchases or rentals.

DROPPED CLASS REFUND PERIOD

Last day to return Fall course materials from dropped classes is 09/04/26. Receipt dated 07/01/26 - 09/04/26, proof of dropped class and photo I.D. required for refunds of textbook purchases or rentals.

AFTER 9/4/26 ALL TEXTBOOK SALES ARE FINAL.

INSTANT ACCESS COMPLETE OPT OUT DEADLINE

09/04/26 is the last day for students to opt out and have the IAC charge on their student account reversed.