Fall Book Adoptions - Now Due May 26

The deadline for Fall 2023 Adoptions has been moved to May 26, 2023. This new deadline will allow the Bookstore's Course Materials Central team to deploy an improved online course materials adoption platform for faculty and administrators – Follett Discover Adopt. This new platform will replace Verba Collect, our legacy online adoption platform. **You can still use all the same materials you've historically used** – the only thing changing is the webpage where you will select those materials.

Why the change?
In coordination with the Affordable and Open Course Materials Steering Committee ([AOCM info](#)) and the Collective Impact Affordable Learning and Financial Support Working Group ([CI: ALFS info](#)), the Bookstore has been working to both reduce the cost of course materials and provide a better experience for faculty and students. Our new platform will provide seamless access to a library of more than 10,000 Open Educational Resources (OERs), among other benefits.

Other benefits for Faculty and Academic Staff include:
- A simplified adoption process that takes just a few clicks.
- The ability to easily select from publisher materials (including courseware), our library of aggregated OERs, and course supplies.
- An opportunity to add your own content. Upload PDF course readers (we'll handle the copyright clearance), original work and lecture notes, or media in multiple formats. You can also adopt online resources, including YouTube videos and other publicly accessible content so that students can access them in one place alongside their other materials.

With this transition, students will enjoy new savings, easier access to a wider range of resources, and Inclusive Access classes with no publisher code entry required for most materials. **You are not required to make any changes to the course materials you use.** The new platform simply offers a streamlined process and _more options_ for faculty to help their students save with OERs and other media that can enrich their learning experience.

Thank you to the cadre of faculty volunteers and campus partners who have supported the development and testing of this new tool. Their insights have been invaluable.

The Discover Adopt platform will open for adoptions next week.
Before the platform opens, we encourage you to [view a five-minute demo](#). We also invite you to join us for one of five upcoming live information sessions. Just follow the registration links below:

- [Monday, May 15, 10 - 11 a.m.](#)
- [Monday, May 15, 2 – 3 p.m.](#)
- [Monday, May 15, 5 – 6 p.m.](#)
- [Tuesday, May 16, 8 – 9 a.m.](#)
- [Tuesday, May 16, 12 – 1 p.m](#).

The platform is extremely intuitive. The Bookstore Course Materials Central team will also host live training sessions, office hours, and other phone/chat support once platform is live. Information about these resources will be included in your invitation to begin adopting Fall 2023 course materials.

For additional questions, please email textbooks@ucsd.edu.

We look forward to a productive and successful Fall 2023!

Thanks,

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