

Benefits of On-time Course Material Adoption

Identifying required and recommended course materials well in advance of the upcoming term encourages student success through the creation of academic momentum and increased financial preparedness. Timely submission of course materials through the Follett Discover portal not only allows the NAU Bookstore to take advantage of lower pricing in the textbook marketplace but also provides students more time to evaluate sources for their textbook and course material needs.

For these reasons as well as the benefits listed below, NAU Campus Services will be rolling out a new process of On-time Adoption by which course materials are automatically populated into the NAU Bookstore's "Discover" course material management system in advance of the upcoming academic term based on historical course data. This initiative will maintain full faculty control over the final materials that will be adopted for courses while also maximizing access to course material information for our students.

In general, on-time course material adoptions result in:

- Students receiving up to 50% of the original purchase price during buy-back for materials identified for adoption as well as savings up to 25% for used editions
- Extra time to research and find course materials at the lowest cost from alternate vendors
- Improved chance of students having all necessary materials for first day of class
- Strengthened HEOA compliance and new opportunities for Cline Library staff to assist in identifying open educational resources
- Increased time and support for faculty making new materials requests

Please reach out to <u>campusservices@nau.edu</u> with any questions or concerns regarding the process.