

**Faculty Survey of the Appalachian State University Textbook Rental System
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Purpose: To obtain faculty feedback concerning the University textbook rental system and to determine if the current textbook rental system is meeting faculty and student needs. All responses will be confidential.

At present, Appalachian State University uses a system of printed textbook rentals. All full-time on-campus students pay \$144 per semester for access to their textbooks. Currently, this fee does not cover students' purchase costs associated with workbooks, e-books, e-textbooks, or e-resources. Additional information about the current ASU Textbook Rental Policy can be found at: http://policy.appstate.edu/Textbook_Rental_Policy

I am a faculty member in the _____ .

- a) College of Arts and Sciences
- b) Beaver College of Health Sciences
- c) Walker College of Business
- d) College of Fine and Applied Arts
- e) Hayes School of Music
- f) Reich College of Education
- g) The Honors College
- h) University College
- i) University Libraries
- j) Other

- 1) Which statement best describes your current use of classroom instruction materials?
 - a) I use bookstore rental printed materials only.
 - b) I use fee-based electronic and print materials only (outside of the current rental system).
 - c) I use a mix of rental and fee-based print and electronic materials.
- 2) Does the current textbook rental system support or hinder your instructional pedagogy?
 - a) supports b) hinders c) neither d) unsure
- 3) Does the current textbook rental system support or hinder your academic freedom?
 - a) supports b) hinders c) neither d) unsure
- 4) Please provide any additional comments, suggestions or concerns you have about the current University printed textbook rental system.
- 5) I am supportive of ____ .
 - a) keeping the current textbook rental system without change
 - b) eliminating the current textbook rental system (going to a purchase only system)
 - c) modifying the current rental system to include e-textbooks and e-resources
- 6) If electronic resources / materials appropriate for your classroom instruction were available as part of the textbook rental system, would you use them?
 - a) yes b) no c) unsure
- 7) Please provide any additional comments, suggestions, or concerns you may have about the use of fee-based e-books, e-textbooks, or other e-resources.
- 8) Are you aware of Open Educational Resources
 - a) Yes b) no c) unsure
- 9) Do you use Open Educational Resources
 - a) Yes b) no c) unsure

Thank you for your participation. If you have further information to contribute, please speak with your department's faculty senator. Additionally, if you would you like to participate/serve on a committee to discuss these issues, please send an email to the Faculty Senate at facsen@appstate.edu