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OERs CAN BE







Open Textbooks



Videos



Lesson Plans



Software



Games

Full courses, learning objects, tests or any other tools, materials, or techniques that support access to knowledge.

BENEFITS FOR FACULTY



Increases student retention by reducing costs



Assures academic freedom to modify or add content to your specifications



Extends your academic profile



Provides more relevant and engaging materials for your students

BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS



Low cost or free



Easy to find and access -- even before classes start



More customised and relevant

MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING 5Rs

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SOME FACTS



82%
Textbook costs
rose 82% between
2003 and 2013

65%

of students report NOT purchasing a textbook because of its high price Textbook cost savings for BC students since 2012

\$634,407

4X

the rate of inflation in overall consumer prices (CPI) during the same time

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HUNDREDS

of textbooks have already been adopted across Canada by faculty!

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