OPEN Textbooks are HERE!

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1. Governor Brown (2012) signed two bills (SB 1052 and SB 1053) that provided for the creation of free, openly licensed digital textbooks for the 50 most popular lower-division college courses offered by California colleges. (Must use CC license.)  

2. British Columbia Government Lends Support to Open Textbooks - 40 highest-enrolled first and second year subject areas in the province’s public post-secondary system  

3. University of Illinois - $150,000 grant to “design, create, and implement open-source educational materials for use in introductory college courses.”
Support for change

• **American Institute of Mathematics** (AIM) seeks to encourage the adoption of open source and open access mathematics textbooks.

• **Affordable Textbook Act** (2009-2010)
  
  S.1714 - Open College Textbook Act of 2009
  H.R.4575 - Open College Textbook Act of 2010

  • Introduced by Durbin and Franken in the Senate and Hinjosa and Miller in the House

  • Textbooks created under the Act would be required to be made available online under an open license

• Full List of **OER projects and policies** by state
Open textbook are HOT!

1. **OpenStaxCollege** - Rice and partners - leaders in open textbook movement

2. **Open SUNY Textbooks** OA textbook publishing initiative established by State University of New York libraries and supported by SUNY Innovative Instruction Technology Grants.

3. University of Minnesota - **Open Textbook Library** is the first of its kind hosted at a major research institution- U of M faculty review the texts in this collection.

4. **Global Textbook project** - funded by the Jacobs and Saylor Foundations. U-Georgia global effort to offer access to textbooks

List of universities already adopting is long
Adopt a textbook

• Step 1: Explore Open Textbooks in your subject
• Step 2: Review and Select an Open Textbook
• Step 3: Customize your Selection as desired
• Step 4: Get necessary approvals and disseminate the open textbook to students.
• Step 5: Disseminate Your Open Textbook to Your Students
Resources:

- Open Education Topic Guide
  >library.oakland.edu>course&subject guides>
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