



MCC Bookstore Textbooks 101

We'll admit it – making the transition to college can be overwhelming. There's a lot to do, a lot to keep organized, and a lot of things to shop for. Some of the most important things (at least we think so!) are, of course, your textbooks! We know that it's easy to feel intimidated by the textbook-buying process, but we're here to show you that it doesn't have to be difficult at all.

First things first – how do you find out which textbooks you need?

This part is simple! Once you have your course schedule set, just head on over to MCC Bookstore website. Under the Textbooks tab select your campus. There are two ways to search for your textbooks. If you already have the book's isbn, you may enter it here and search for that book.

Select Term, Department, and Course

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Search

The second way is using your course schedule.

<p>Term</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li style="background-color: #e6f2ff;">FALL 17 (Orders accepted) FALL 18 (Inquiry only) FALL SLN & EXT 18 (Inquiry only) </div>	<p>Select Department</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AAD <li style="background-color: #e6f2ff;">ACC ACD AGS ANT ARA ART ASL ATP BIO BUS </div>	<p>Select Course and Section</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 101 - ALL ON CAMPUS - <li style="background-color: #e6f2ff;">101 - ALL SLN - 102 - ALL ON CAMPUS - 102 - SL1 - MURPHY, SUSAN 111 - 001 - LANZAFAME, SALVATORE 130 - 001 - SARDONE, CHRISTOPHER 201 - BH1 - STAFF 202 - 181 - TOSCANO, RALPH 204 - 181 - SARDONE, CHRISTOPHER 210 - 001 - MURPHY, SUSAN 220 - 181 - WEBER, HENRY <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 5px;">Use shift key for multi-select</p> </div>
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Add Term/Dept/Section?

Add Selection

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Term	Dept	Course	Section	Instructor	Remove?
FALL 17	ACC	101	ALL SLN	N/A	×

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[Get Course Materials](#)

Once you've clicked Get Course Materials, the Textbook Wizard will pull in a list of the materials you need for each class (*we told you, it's simple!*)

Most materials are listed as a single Required item. However, there are two other terms that many students have questions about: Required, Bundle Option, and Alternative.

So, what's the difference?

Required – the professor has adopted the book(s) and/or access code(s) for this course

Bundle Option – this is comprised of more than one item. For example, it is the book and an access code.

Alternative – this is usually a loose-leaf print of the required textbook. (If this is part of a bundle option, you do not need to purchase this)

If you're purchasing a required book and/or access code, you don't *also* need to purchase the bundle option – it's taken care of!

Term: FALL 17 Name: BIO 133 Section: ALL ON CAMPUS Instructor: STAFF
Course ID: Location:

View All Course Materials



AUTHOR: JOHNSON
TITLE: HUMAN BIOLOGY: CONC.+...-MODIFIED ACCESS

\$87.50 Used Qty: 1 

ISBN | 9780134326412

\$116.65 New Qty: 1 

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REQUIRED

Term: FALL 17 Name: BIO 133 Section: ALL ON CAMPUS Instructor: STAFF
Course ID: Location:

View All Course Materials



AUTHOR: JOHNSON
TITLE: HUMAN BIOLOGY TEXT + MOD.MAST.ACC.CODE

\$127.65 Used Qty: 1 

ISBN | 9780134577784


\$170.15 New Qty: 1 

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BUNDLE OPTION

Term: FALL 17 Name: BIO 133 Section: ALL ON CAMPUS Instructor: STAFF
Course ID: Location:


View All Course Materials



AUTHOR: JOHNSON
TITLE: HUMAN BIOLOGY: CONC.+CURRENT. (LOOSE)

\$30.00 Used Qty: 1 

ISBN | 9780134154008

\$148.55 New Qty: 1 

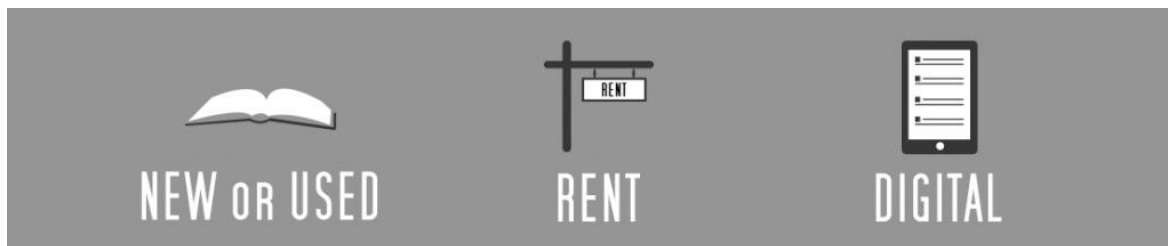
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REQUIRED

Let's talk format.

When it comes to ordering your textbooks, there are a few different formatting options you can choose from. Two of the most common variations are **New** and **Used**. Often, used textbooks were sold back to the bookstore at the end of the previous semester by another student. Used textbooks usually cost less than their newer counterparts and they are – almost always – still in good condition.

The last formatting option available is Digital. You can select digital content the same way you would a hard copy.



USE: Write, highlight, and make the book work for you.

TIME: Keep for as long as you want.

COST: Higher upfront cost, but you can sell back if the book is being used in the upcoming semester. Buying used is less expensive.

USE: Take notes & highlight within reason.

TIME: Rent for the term it is needed for.

COST: Rentals usually have the lowest upfront cost.

CONSIDER: Rentals must be returned on time to avoid fees.

USE: Providers usually have the tools to allow you to take notes & bookmark pages. You can print pages too!

TIME: Some digital books are only available for a certain time.

COST: Usually less expensive than a physical textbook.

CONSIDER: Download instantly & avoid carrying heavy books.

Now that we've talked through New, Used, and Digital textbooks, let's move on to **Renting vs. Buying!**

The eternal question: should you rent or buy?

The next piece of the puzzle revolves around whether you'd like to keep your textbooks permanently. When you rent a textbook, you order it at the beginning of the term and then return it once finals are over. Because you are not keeping the book indefinitely, rentals cost less than a regular purchase. You can choose to rent a digital book as well!

RENT OR BUY?

This quick guide will show you which textbook format is best for you.

RENT

I want cash in my pocket now
(save big on rentals)!

I have access to a credit card.

I won't need the same textbook next term.

BUY

I want cash back at the end of term after selling my books back.

I don't have access to a credit card.

I will need the same textbook next term.

Just like when you buy a textbook, you can also choose to rent both new or used varieties. The best way to save money? Choose to **Rent Used** textbooks. Simply return them to the bookstore at the end of the term! If you're concerned about forgetting to return a rental, don't sweat it. The bookstore will send you email reminders when the due date draws near!