

Buy Book Policy



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The OPSU bookstore is a for-profit operation. One of the elements that produce a marginal return is the Book Rental System. Technology has driven textbook updates at an outstanding rate; therefore, in some disciplines, the book rental system is outdated. In this case, students must purchase a textbook either through the bookstore or other electronic sources.

The bookstore just cannot afford to purchase textbooks with a short shelf life. To elevate some of the risk to the bookstore in the purchase of textbooks for re-sale, the following issues should be considered for buy books:

1. The course is offered on an annual basis or less often
2. The course is technology driven
3. The course has typically low enrollment

The Department Chair must approve all change text forms.