

Open & Affordable Education Committee

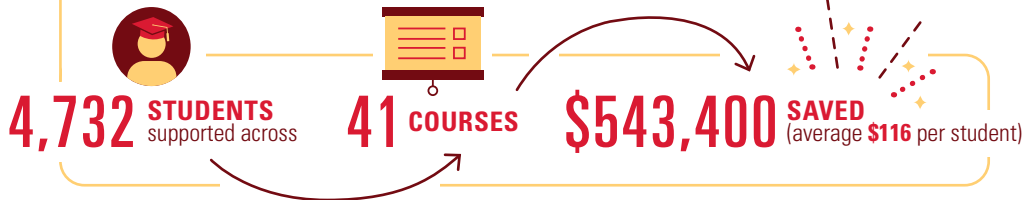
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Committee Focus Areas:



Free course materials are available for students in many courses thanks to library programs:

1 Open Educational Resources (OER) are free, adaptable course materials shared by instructors for students:

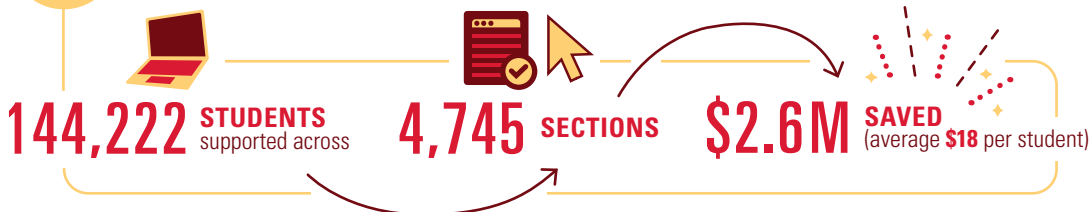


2 Course Reserves provides books, articles, films, and other materials through the library:



Lower-cost course materials are used by many instructors as well:

3 Immediate Access digital course materials are provided at a discounted price:



4 Course packets, used books, older editions, and other low-cost materials are used across Iowa State to support our students.

Looking Ahead:



Over the past three years, the Open and Affordable Education Committee has highlighted the need for more proactive communication with departments that are not yet engaged in work with OER or other affordable course materials. Next year, we will assess the work that our committee has done to date and consider how we can continue to leverage the broad representation of our members and their unique interests to better spread awareness of open and affordable course materials at Iowa State.

1 Advocate

We seek out new opportunities to **incentivize**, **award**, and **support** instructors who have gone above and beyond in their work to lower costs for students.



2 Communicate

We **highlight** the various **no- and low-cost** course material options in use at Iowa State to support instructors who may benefit from their use.



3 Unite

We leverage the **broad representation** present in our committee and **collaborate** with partners across campus to develop events, marketing, and services which relate to our shared interest in student success.