

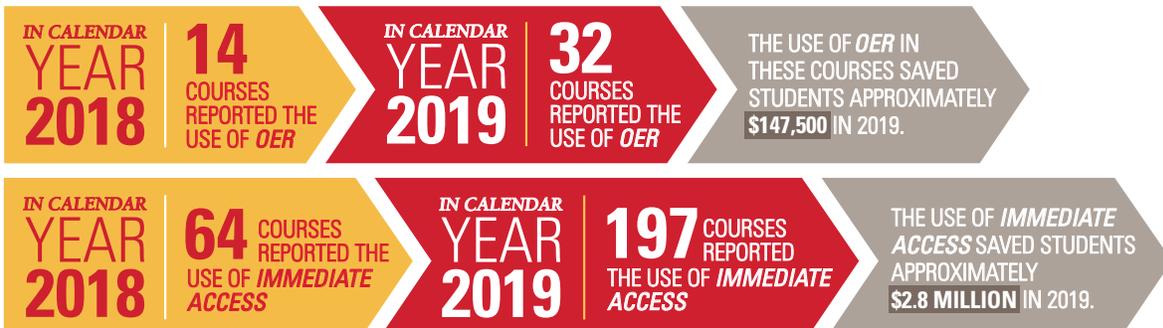
# OPEN & AFFORDABLE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

## — 2019 REPORT —

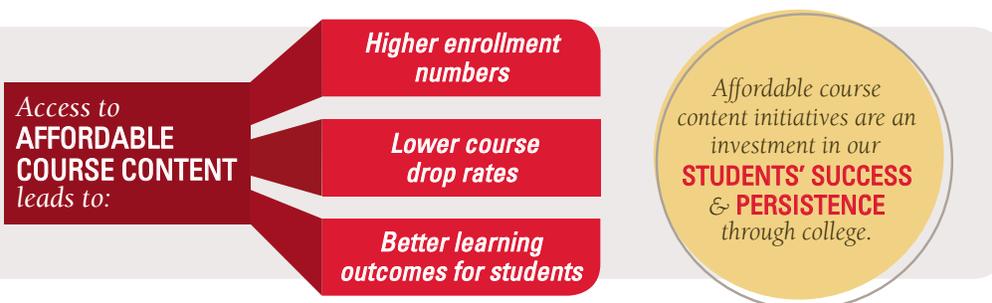
Iowa State University is poised to build a more systematic approach to **reducing the cost of course content for our students by utilizing affordable materials**, such as Open Educational Resources (OER), library licensed materials, and Immediate Access content. Over the past year, this partnership between the ISU Book Store, University Library, Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT), Office of the Senior Vice President & Provost, and other campus partners has had a meaningful impact on the Iowa State campus community.

### KEY FINDINGS

**1** The Use of Open & Affordable Course Content is on the rise



**2** Open & Affordable Course Content Supports Student Success



**3** Faculty Need Support to Find and Use Open & Affordable Course Content

The foundation of the affordable course content initiatives at Iowa State University lies in **OUTREACH** and **SUPPORT** to the campus community. One of the biggest barriers we have found is that faculty do not understand all of the affordable course content options available to them, or the differences between these options.

**IN 2020 OUR COMMITTEE HOPES TO TACKLE THIS PROBLEM BY:**

- 1 Continuing to present to departments across campus
- 2 Developing education and outreach materials about the affordable course content initiatives we support

### NEXT STEPS

#### SUSTAIN

Continue to secure funding to support the Miller Open Education Mini-Grant Program.

#### SUPPORT

Develop an institutional resolution or recommendation in support of course materials affordability.

#### GROW

Develop additional outreach and education for faculty, including a 2021 Affordability Summit.