WAC 516-40-030 Providing cost savings to students for course materials. (1) The affiliated bookstore for Western Washington University is the Western Associated Students (AS) Bookstore. The AS Bookstore will:

(a) Provide students the option of purchasing course materials that are unbundled whenever possible;

(b) Disclose to faculty and students the retail costs of textbooks on a per book and per course basis and such information will be made publicly available;

(c) Disclose publicly, when such information is available, how new editions vary from previous editions; and

(d) Actively promote and publicize book buy-back programs.

(2) To provide cost savings to students for course materials, Western faculty and staff members are required to consider the least costly option for such materials, including that they:

(a) Are encouraged to consider adopting the least expensive edition of course materials available when educational content is comparable.

(b) Are encouraged to work closely with publishers and the AS Bookstore to create bundles and packages if they provide a cost savings to students.

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