

## **Open Educational Resources and Opendora**

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**Open Educational Resources** are teaching, learning and research materials in any medium – digital or otherwise – that reside in the public domain or have been released under an open license that permits no-cost access, use, adaptation and redistribution by others with no or limited restrictions.

OER can be used in both face-to-face courses and in fully online classes.

<https://hewlett.org/strategy/open-educational-resources/>

- The high cost of some course materials can hinder students' academic success.
- The average undergraduate budgeted \$1,220 - \$1,420 for textbooks and supplies in 2017–18.
- The cost of textbooks is rising at a rate of 4 times inflation.
- Seven out of ten students don't purchase a required textbook during their academic career because of cost.
- 60% of students have delayed purchasing textbooks until they've received their financial aid.

<https://studentpirgs.org/2018/01/25/open-101/>

Minnstate video on students view of textbooks and OER:

<https://youtu.be/iRDVto8g1u8>

### **Links to Resources:**

Opendora - *Minnstate and PALS local OER; D2L Built-in Compatibility:*

<https://opendora.minnstate.edu/>

Open Textbook Library - *U of MN OER with over 689 textbooks:*

<https://open.umn.edu/opentextbooks/>

OER Commons - *Huge database with over 42k resources:*

<https://www.oercommons.org/>

OpenStax - *50 quality textbooks that have viewing and printing options:*

<https://openstax.org/>

