

Low- to No-Cost Publishing at the University Press of North Georgia

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USG/UPNG Collaboration – Goals

- Demonstrate the value and benefits of using open textbooks in USG courses
- Demonstrate the potential for open textbooks to lower textbook costs for students & their families
- Provide a US History open textbook for the course History 2111
- Provide a development model for future USG open textbooks

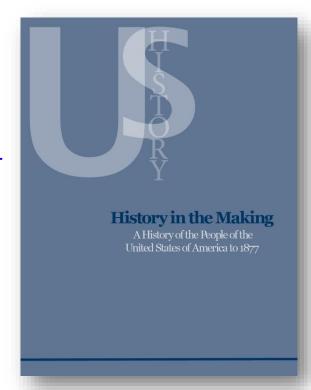
Potential Cost Savings

	Traditional Textbook	Open Textbook	Savings With Open Textbook
Title	Textbook previously used for this course	History in the Making: A History of the People of the United States of America to 1877	For 1 Student
Price for Print Edition	\$51.50	\$30 (From UPNG)	\$21.50
Price for e-Textbook	\$31.25 Downloadable	\$0	\$31.25
Price for Online Access	\$15.62 180 Day Online Access	\$0	\$15.62

Free Digital Version: Students who use only the free digital version of will pay nothing for the textbook

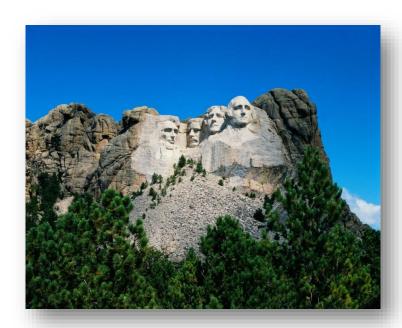
Current Status

- Available at: University Press of North Georgia
 - http://upnorthgeorgia.org/?page_id=2181
- Merlot
 - http://www.merlot.org
- College Open Textbooks
 - www.collegeopentextbooks.com
- PDF and EPUB versions available
- Accessible Version in progress
- Traditional print version
- Adopted for eCore History 2111

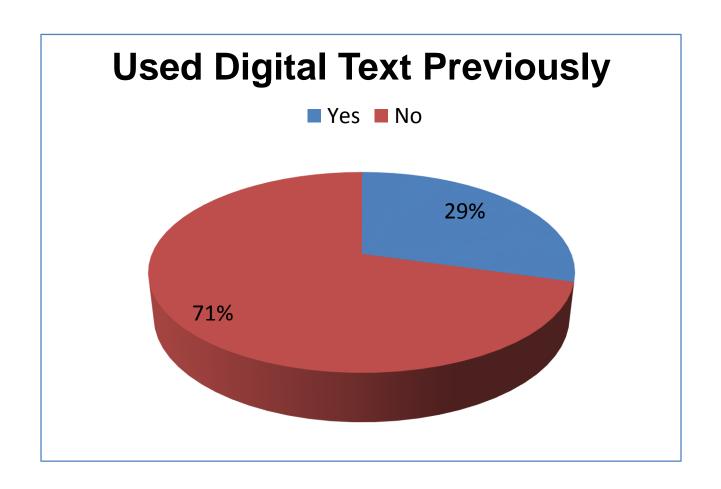


eCore Summer Implementation of US History Open Textbook

- Five Course Sections of eCore HIST2111 (U.S. History I)
 - Online Courses which began Fall 2014
 - Total Enrollment: 433 Students
- Summer Students Polled
 - 17 responded



Limited Previous Use of Digital Text



Survey Says...

"Thanks for "Very providing it." useful!" "Having the book in digital form means I do not need to have "I hope that my big schoolbook on "..a great thing other me to get some because most History instructors reading done." books cost a lot of follow suit." money. " "...free yet "..so "...can read "... for all courses still easy to impressive anywhere.." this should be the use." norm."

Student Savings for Fall 2014 Semester

Old Textbook Cost: \$57.71

America: Narrative History, Brief-Volume One

ISBN 978-0-393-93409-0

New = \$47.87; Used = \$37.71

Bibliobase: History 2111 ISBN 978-0-618-09706-7

Used = \$20.00

Total Student Savings Fall 2014: \$24,988.43



Future OER Projects with Ecore

eCore Textbooks Scheduled for Release 2015

- ENGL 1102 English Comp II
- ENGL 2111 World Lit I
- ENGL 2132 American Literature II
- GEOL 1011K Introduction to Geosciences I
- HIST 1111 World History 1

eCore Textbooks Schedule for Release 2016

- ARTS 1100 Art Appreciation
- COMM 1100 Human Communication
- MUSC 1100 Music Appreciation
- SPAN 2001 Intermediate Spanish I
- SPAN 2002 Intermediate Spanish II

Model for No Cost Textbook Development with UPNG

- Solicit Proposals (mailing, conferencing): UPNG issues a call for textbook manuscript
- Submissions/proposals in academic journals and through hard copy mailings. UPNG then
 reviews and selects the highest quality proposal, both in terms of authorship and content.
 Proposals include 3 units/chapters, outline of entire textbook, audience, and competitors.
- Profit & Loss Analysis: UPNG determines if there is adequate demand for the textbook.
- UPNG develops Contract or MOA with author: Includes milestones, deadlines.
- UPNG contracts with the author(s), setting deadline for submitting completed author generated materials.
- Editorial Review: UPNG edits the manuscript content in order to prepare it for publication,
- Comprehensively considering all writing elements and requesting substance/content revisions from the author when necessary. Includes instructional design components (outlines, questions, etc.); This process can begin as content is received, if the submissions are stepped.
- Peer Review (External, Blind): UPNG submits the manuscript to at least two scholars in the textbook's field/discipline for them to give it a blind (objective) review, thus ensuring it makes a real contribution to its field

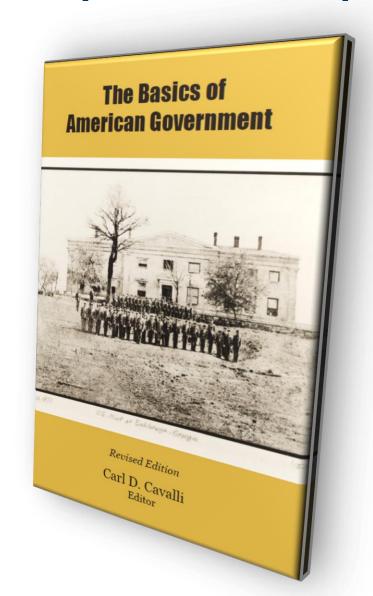
- Copyediting: UPNG improves the formatting, style, and accuracy of the manuscript, preparing it for publication.
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- Programming to convert document to different formats (ePub, etc.).
- ISBN: the international standard book number uniquely identifies the textbook to allow for more
- efficient marketing.
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Peer Review

Standards developed from NEH Grant results.

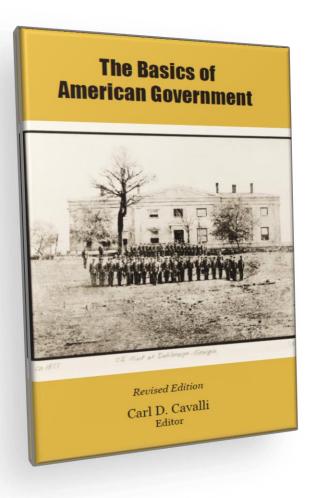


This Same Template can Apply to Low Cost Textbook Development and Implementation

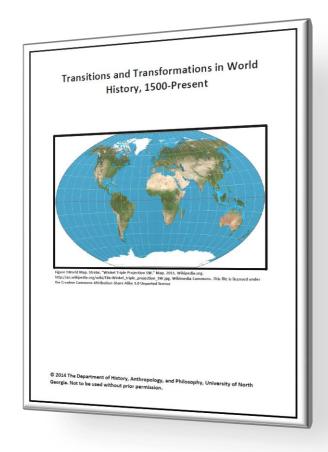


Low Cost Titles

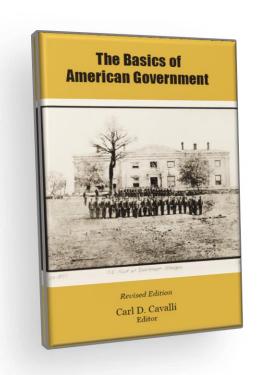
Basics of American Government



 Transitions and Transformations in World History, 1500 - Present



Basics of American Government



Edited by Carl Cavalli, with chapters written by eight (current and past) members of the department of Political Science and Criminal Justice. Since it includes case studies, it's both a reader and a textbook. It underwent outside double blind peer review. We kept the unit price under \$30 (well under the \$70 average). It has been and will be adopted by the for their American Government (POLS 1101) courses. We migrate the books into our campus bookstore on a semester to semester basis, with the bookstore getting their usual 40% discount.



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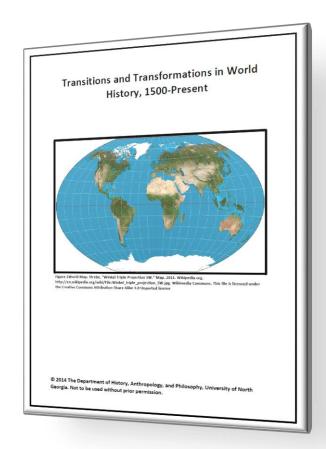
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Transitions and Transformations in World History, 1500-Present

This is a similar project that we're working on with the UNG Department of History, Religion, and Philosophy for the HIST1112 course (World Civilizations 1550present). The royalties are handled in the same way. This project is completely digital, with distribution handled through a third party digital educational materials company, Lad Custom Publishing.



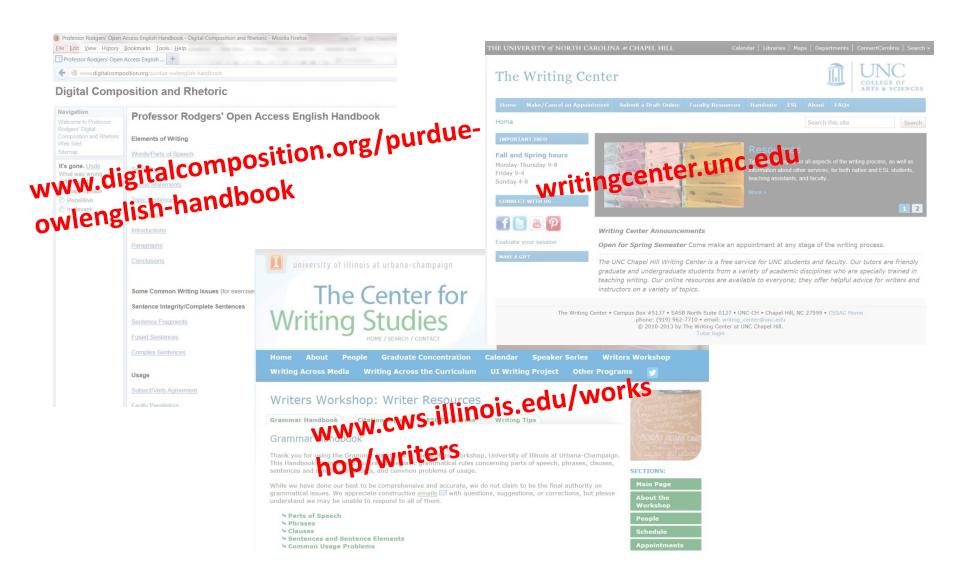
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The Template in Action Low-Cost First Year Composition Textbook

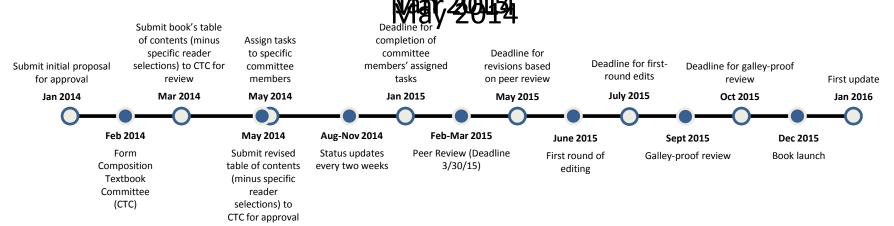
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Existing Open Access Resources



Timeline









The Basics of American Government, revised edition

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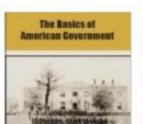
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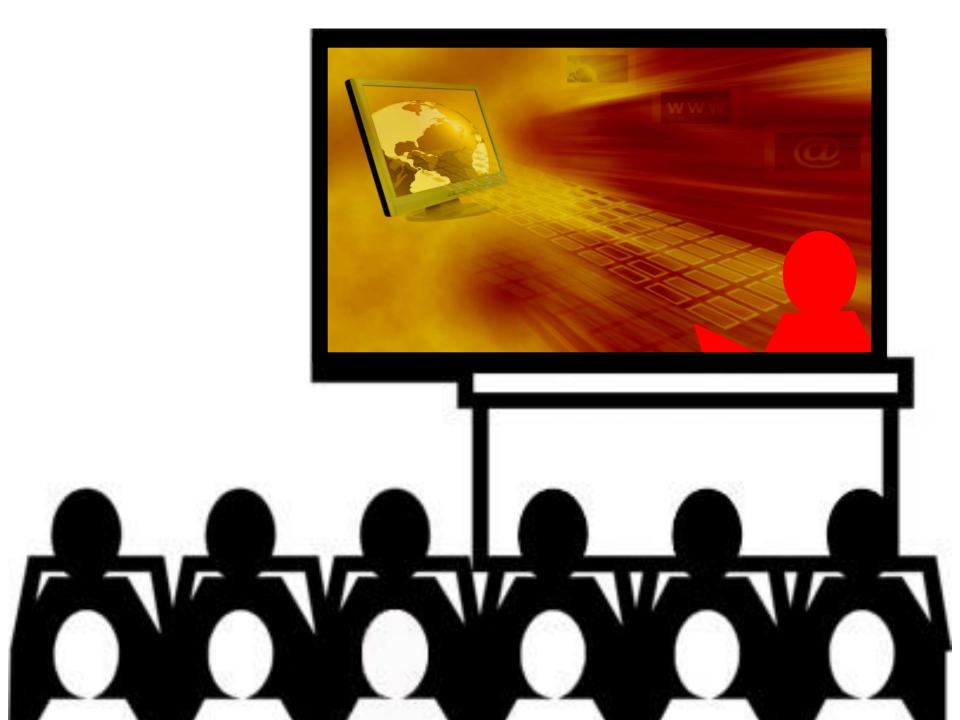
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