Appendix A

New Mexico Undergraduate Textbooks Survey

Q1

University of New Mexico Undergraduate Textbooks Survey

2022 Fall Semester

Thank you for participating in this questionnaire. The purposes of this study are to examine the use of textbooks at the University of New Mexico and what role textbook cost plays in factors related to student success. The questionnaire will take about 7-10 mins to complete.

The researchers will protect your confidentiality by not collecting your name. Only the researchers will have access to the data. Only summarized data will be presented at meetings or in publications.

There will be no direct benefits to you. The findings will be helpful to the University of New Mexico in understanding the impact of textbook cost on students. The research meets the definition of minimal risk.

If you have questions about this study, please contact

YOUR PARTICIPATION IS COMPLETELY VOLUNTARY. You are free not to participate or stop participating any time before you submit your answers.

If you understand the statements above, and freely consent to be in this study, click on the the >> button to begin.

Q2 Which University of New Mexico campus are you primarily affiliated with?

- Albuquerque Main Campus (1)
- Gallup Campus (2)
- Los Alamos Campus (3)
- Taos Campus (4)
- Valencia Campus (5)
- Health Sciences Rio Rancho Campus (6)

Q3 Which of these categories best defines you?

- Undergraduate Student (1)
- Graduate Student (2)
- Non-degree Student (3)
Q4 How many courses are you enrolled in this semester?
- 0 (1)
- 1 (2)
- 2 (3)
- 3 (4)
- 4 (5)
- 5 or more (6)

Skip To: Q8 If Q4 = 0

Q5 How many of these courses have required textbooks?
- 0 (1)
- 1 (2)
- 2 (3)
- 3 (4)
- 4 (5)
- 5 or more (6)
- I am not sure (7)

Skip To: Q8 If Q5 = 0

Q6 How much do you estimate the cost of the course materials (including textbooks, course packets, access codes, and other print or digital learning materials) for ALL of your courses this semester?
- $0-100 (1)
- $101-200 (2)
Q7 How reasonable or unreasonable was the amount of money you spent on course materials this semester?

- Extremely reasonable (1)
- Somewhat reasonable (2)
- Somewhat unreasonable (3)
- Extremely unreasonable (4)
- I did not purchase course materials this semester (5)

Q8 How much do you budget for course materials each semester?

- $0-100 (1)
- $101-200 (2)
- $201-300 (3)
- $301-400 (4)
- $401-500 (5)
- $501 or more (6)

Q9 How do you usually pay for your course materials each semester? (Check all that apply)

- I use my own money earned from a work study or outside job (1)
- I use non-loan awarded money (Examples: Pell Grant, Scholarships, GI Bill) (2)
- I use money from student loans (3)
- My parents pay for my textbooks (4)
Q10 Have you ever taken a course with the course materials included? (meaning that you did not have to buy your own course materials, and the price of the materials are automatically added to your student account).

- Yes (1)
- No (2)
- I am not sure (3)

Display This Question:
If Q10 = Yes

Q11 Compared to buying your own course materials, how do you feel about courses that include the course materials and billing them to your student account?

- I prefer course materials being included in the course and then billing it to my student account (1)
- I don't prefer course materials being included in the course and then billing it to my student account (2)
- I don't have a preference (3)

Display This Question:
If Q11 = I prefer course materials being included in the course and then billing it to my student account

Q12 I prefer course materials being included in the course and then billing it to my student account because...

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Display This Question:
If Q11 = I don't prefer course materials being included in the course and then billing it to my student account

Q13 I don't prefer course materials being included in the course and then billing it to my student account because...
Q14 During your entire time at UNM, the cost of materials for a course has caused you to (check all that apply):

- Take fewer courses (1)
- Not register for a specific course (2)
- Drop or withdraw from a course (3)
- Earn a lower grade than you expected in a course because you could not afford to buy the course materials (4)
- Not purchase the required textbook (5)
- Change your major (6)
- Experience difficulty affording to meet your basic needs (food, housing, transportation) (7)
- Other (8) ________________________________
- None of the above (9)

Display This Question:

If Q14 = Drop or withdraw from a course

Q15 How often do you drop or withdraw from a course in general?
Q16 What are the top three actions you have taken to reduce required course materials costs?

(Select up to three)

- I do not attempt to reduce textbook costs (1)
- Buy used copies from the campus bookstore (2)
- Buy books from somewhere other than the campus bookstore (3)
- Rent digital textbooks (4)
- Buy lifetime access to a digital version of a textbook (5)
- Rent only the digital textbook chapters needed for the course (6)
- Rent printed textbooks (7)
- Check to see if UNM Libraries have the required textbook (8)
- Use a reserve copy from the UNM Libraries (9)
- Share books with classmates (10)
- Other (please specify) (11) __________________________________________________

Q17 In general, how would you rate the necessity of having the following?

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### Q18 What class year are you currently in?

- **Senior** (1)
- **Junior** (2)
- **Sophomore** (3)
- **Freshman** (4)
- **Other** (5) __________________________________________________

### Q19

If Q2 = Albuquerque Main Campus

**Q19**

In what College is your major? (select from drop down)

- ▼ Anderson School of Management (1) ...
- Undecided Major (15)

### Q20 Which of the following applies to you? (Check all that apply)

- I am a first generation college student (1)
- I receive financial aid or scholarships (2)
I am part of a work-study program (3)

I have a job (or jobs) that is not part of a work-study program (4)

None of the above (5)

Display This Question:
If Q20 = I am part of a work-study program
Or Q20 = I have a job (or jobs) that is not part of a work-study program

Q21 How many hours a week do you work?

0-10 (1)

11-20 (2)

21-30 (3)

31-40 (4)

41 or more (5)

Q22 How would you best describe yourself?

African American/Black (1)

Asian American/Asian (2)

Hispanic/Latino/a (3)

Native American/Alaskan Native (4)

Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander (5)

White (6)

Other (7) __________________________________________________