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Textbooks

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This July, Cambridge University Press launches digital access to its top textbooks for institutions. The release of digital textbooks on Cambridge Core comes in response to the demands of our customers and marks a first step on a journey to transform digital resources for teaching and learning in Higher Education.

The Cambridge Textbook programme combines access and affordability with the best in Higher Education content. In partnership with authors and academics, we publish a range of relevant, current and pedagogically robust textbooks designed to support the needs of lecturers and their students across a broad range of subject areas.

Cambridge Textbooks will be available on Cambridge Core on an unlimited concurrent user basis, meaning no arbitrary limits or controls on usage across your institution. Titles are available on a flexible annual lease structure offering you the option to provide access on a title-by-title basis instead of being obligated to purchase a larger collection.

**Key features**

- Unlimited concurrent users
- Annual access provided on a title-by-title basis
- New editions available upon publication
- Extensive bibliographic reference functionality
- Easy navigation and LMS integration

The initial release includes over 300+ titles across 20 subjects.
General FAQs for Lecturers and Librarians

1. Can I pick and choose individual titles?
   Yes, all of our textbooks on Core are available to purchase title-by-title by institutions. We understand that our institutional customers want to pick and choose their titles, whether these are books for research or textbooks, and so we are committed to offering this flexibility for all ebooks.

2. How many users can access the textbooks at one time?
   We don’t offer any limit on the number of concurrent users who can access a title at any one time. Once you have access to a textbook, this is available for your whole institution, as feedback we’ve received confirms our users want access to our content, without restriction.

3. Why only annual lease?
   We believe that an annual-lease model is the best way to ensure that our textbook programme is sustainable for the long term, and offers flexibility for institutions at an affordable price point. We also understand that course needs can change from year to year, so the annual lease model reflects this need for flexibility.

4. How can titles be accessed when offline?
   Our online textbooks can only be accessed via Cambridge Core, so no offline access is available, however if the user disconnects from the internet, the browser page/tab will remain open and the user can continue reading that section offline.

5. Can we choose to take a new edition or does it automatically update?
   If a new version of a textbook is published within the term of your lease, you will have the option to upgrade to the new version either immediately or before the next academic term.

6. What if a course enrolment changes either during the year, or the following year?
   If it emerges, midway through a semester, that the cohort of students is much larger than expected, we will not immediately charge more or withdraw access. If in the subsequent year you decide to renew your annual lease for the textbook, we will discuss the price based on the new enrolment estimate.

7. When do you need to confirm enrolment numbers?
   In order to apply the correct pricing tier we need enrolment numbers at the time of order. At the renewal stage we need enrolment numbers 15 working days in advance of the renewal date.
8 Will you be adding further titles to the set that is available for launch? I think there are some missing.

We are launching an initial tranche of titles in June, with additional titles being added throughout the coming months (July-September). If there are specific titles you are interested in but do not appear to be available, please speak to your sales contact or alternatively visit the ‘contact us’ page.

9 If we already have print copies of a textbook are we entitled to a discount on the e-version?

If you contact your existing sales representative with details of your current print adoption, we’re happy to discuss the option of converting this to e-version, or for a discount for the e-version to use alongside the print version.

10 What are the differences between textbooks on Cambridge Core and other ebooks on the platform?

Cambridge Core includes over 34,000 ebooks which are available in a fixed pricing category, and consists of books for research and some less widely-adopted textbooks and coursebooks. Our new textbooks on Cambridge Core are available under a different pricing model and with different functionality to ensure these compliment print adoptions of the book.

11 I’m a lecturer but electronic textbooks at my institution are processed through the library, how should I express an interest in a title?

If electronic textbook provision is handled by your librarian we’d suggest passing on details of the title needed to your librarian who will organise payment and set access up for your institution. Your librarian may have an existing relationship and account with Cambridge University Press so the process should be relatively straightforward, but we can process requests direct from lecturers if the library is not involved.

12 How flexible can you be on the start and end date of my annual lease time period?

We understand that semester times differ from institution to institution, so we can turn your access on when this is required. We do ask that you can give as much notice as possible to set up your access but a minimum of 15 days.
Subjects covered

1. Anthropology
2. Archaeology
3. Astronomy & Physics
4. Classical studies
5. Computer science
6. Earth and environmental science
7. Economics, business studies
8. Engineering
9. English literature
10. History
11. History Language and linguistics
12. Law
13. Life sciences
14. Management
15. Mathematics
16. Philosophy
17. Politics, social theory, history of ideas
18. Psychology
19. Religion
20. Sociology
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