

PRINTING AND OER



Congratulations!
You have adopted an OER and are now looking at the next level—offering a print option for students.

So what's your first step?

Communicate with your campus OER liaison and your campus bookstore to let them know you are using OER.

Follow processes or protocols already in place with streamlining printing. If a process doesn't already exist, you may be able to help create a process. (see next page for College of the Canyons model)

Will internal (on campus) printing/graphics/bookstore handle printing?

There may be hesitation to print based on historical concerns about copyright. You may have an opportunity to education on Creative Commons licensing.

Check the contract with bookstore to find out if they require a first right of printing or if it can be done by an outside source (i.e., Montezuma publishing, Create Space, lulu.com, etc.).

Next Steps

Put language in your syllabus about students' option for accessing the text (digital and print options) and clarify if the text is required and if the print option is optional or required.

Consider contacting your campus library to put copies on reserve and providing the text to student services that may provide copies for their populations served.

Other Resources

Follett webinar - how they support OER:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/recording/2489688348220319243>

Barnes & Noble Education webinar - how they support OER:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/recording/8425976915173424904>

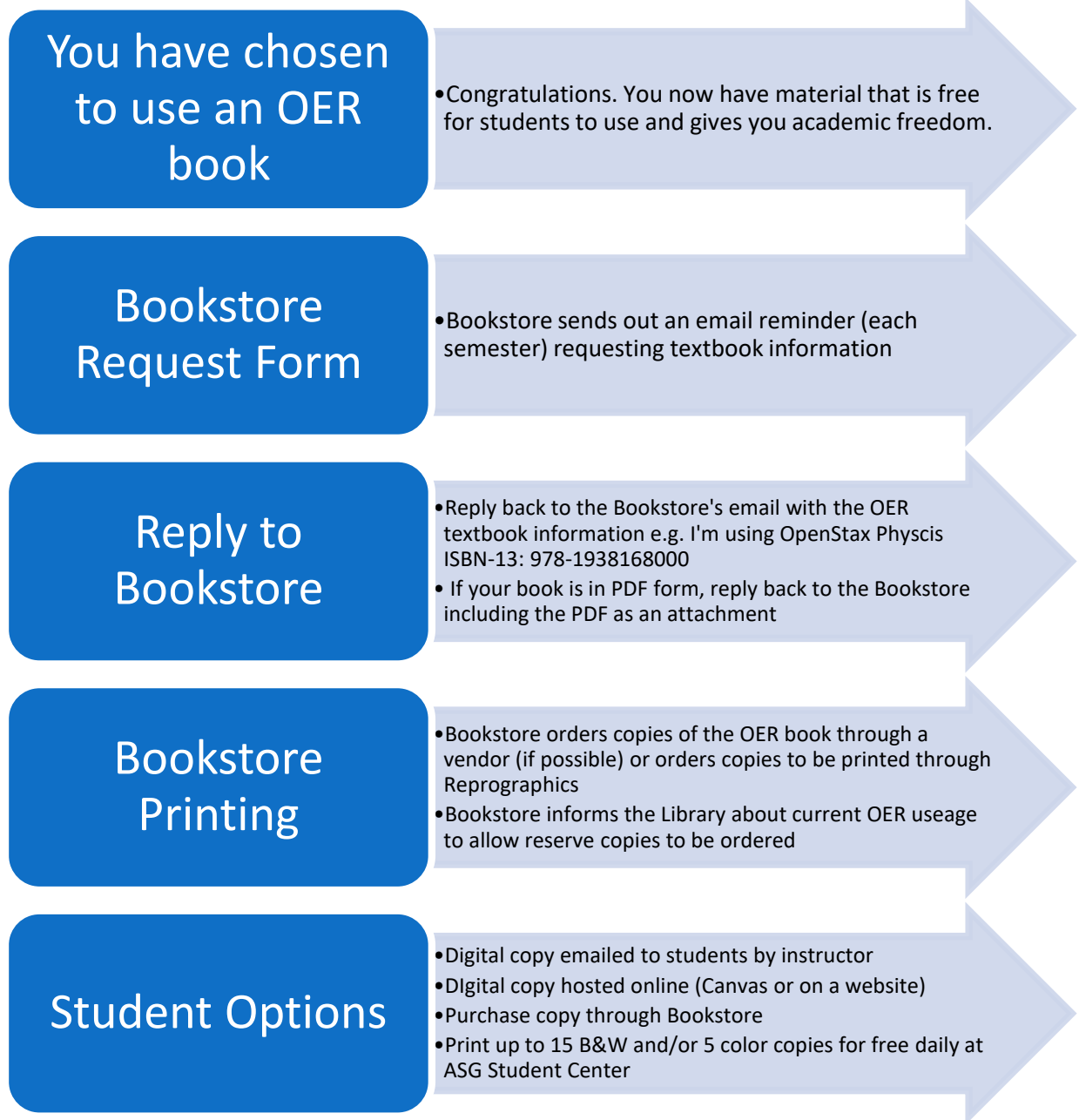
“One of the biggest lessons we’ve learned about bookstores and OER over the past few years is that we needed to have separate ISBN’s for the digital vs. print versions of the books. By having separate ISBN’s, it allowed the bookstores to list the online versions for free along with the print option.”

- Nicole Finkbeiner, OpenStax

College of the Canyons

Faculty Guide to Print OER for Students

After an OER textbook has been created or adopted, here are the steps to help you get started in sharing and making your textbook available to your students on campus.



If you have any questions about the process or need help, please contact the OER staff at

OER@canyons.edu or visit www.canyons.edu/OER