

Zero Textbook Cost Class List: Summer 2026

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Many College of the Siskiyous classes have **zero textbook costs!** That means that your class either has no textbook, or that you have **free** access to online textbooks because the instructor chose an “open education resource” (OER) textbook or because the COS Library is able to provide a free ebook copy (simply login with your COS email and password).

- Print copies of textbooks are often available for purchase from the COS Bookstore or can be checked out for free from the Library
- Library ebooks have some quirks: the video [Using Library Ebooks as Textbooks](#) has more info

Courses with Zero Textbook Costs

CRN	Course	Title	Instructor	Book Title	Author / Publisher
5039	ADHS 1001	Introduction to Human Services	Reynolds, J	OER: Introduction to Human Services	Patros & Grokowsky / LibreTexts
5040	ADHS 1011	Community Outreach/Referral	Reynolds, J	Required readings provided in class	
5041	ADHS 1013	Relapse Prevention	Reynolds, J	OER: Drugs, Health & Behavior	Schwab & Salters / Penn State/ LibreTexts
5042	ADHS 2526	Understanding Disability	Reynolds, J	OER: Social Work Practice and Disability Communities: An Intersectional Anti-Oppressive Approach	Slayter & Johnson (eds.) / ROTEL
5001	ART 1000	Art History I	Privratsky, A	Introduction to Art History I No Required Textbook Materials linked in Canvas course	
5002	ART 1001	Art History II	Privratsky, A	Required readings provided in class	
5061	BA 1006	Introduction to Business	Bellamy, S	OER: Introduction to Business	Williams et al. / Lumen Learning
5003	BIO 1400	Environmental Principles	Wheat, N	OER: Environmental Biology	Fisher & Dorsner / LibreTexts
5004, 5005	COMS 1300	Interpersonal Communication	Cooper-Turner, T	Better Relationships, Happier Lives: 12 Keys to Getting There – Access provided in class	Turner / Balboa Press
				Looking Out Looking In (15 th ed.) (optional)	Adler/ Cengage

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5057	CSCI 1001	Intro to Computer Science	Cecil, J	Required readings provided in class	
5058	CSCI 1007	Programming I	Cecil, J	OER: Introduction to Programming Using Java (version 9.0, JavaFX ed.)	Eck
5059	CSCI 1037	Computer Game Design I	Cecil, J	Library Ebook: The Game Maker's Apprentice: Game Development for Beginners	Habgood / Apress
5037	ECE 1001	Intro to Early Childhood Educ	Thatcher, P	OER: Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	Stephens et al. / LibreTexts
5006	ENGL C1000	Academic reading and Writing	Steger, S	Required readings provided in class	
5008	ENGL C1000	Academic reading and Writing	Scott, C	OER: Introduction to College Composition	Hopper-Scott / LibreTexts
5009	ENGL C1001	Critical Thinking and Writing	Steger, S	Required readings provided in class	
5010	ENGL 2036	Children's Literature	Scott, C	Children's Literature: A Tradition	Purvis/ Lansing CC
5011	ETHN 1001	Ethnic Studies	Tanaka, T	Required readings provided in class	
5016*	HUM 1001*	Introduction to Humanities*	Vancil, C	Library Ebook: Landmarks in Humanities (2024 Release)	Fiero / McGraw-Hill
5017	MATH 1200	Pre-Calculus	Chang, W	Precalculus: Algebra and Trigonometry (2nd ed.)	Abramson / OpenStax
5044	MUS 0506	Community Choir	Slabbinck, R	Required materials provided in class	
5045	MUS 1105	Concert Choir	Slabbinck, R	Required materials provided in class	
5018, 5043	MUS 1131	Music Appreciation	Slabbinck, R	OER: Understanding Music: Past and Present	Clark et al. / Galileo
				OER: Music Appreciation with Theory	College Sidekick
5055*	NURS 1045*	Medical Terminology*	Harmse, J	Library Ebook: Medical Terminology Systems A Body Systems Approach (updated 8th ed.)	Gylys / F.A. Davis
				Library Ebook: Taber's Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary (24th ed.)	F.A. Davis
5046	PHIL 1001	Introduction to Philosophy	Chatman, T	OER: An Introduction to Philosophy (2nd ed.) – Access provided in class	Skuster / OER Commons
5019*	POLS C1000*	American Government & Politics*	Peterson, B	Library Ebook: We the People (14th ed.)	Patterson / McGraw-Hill
5020	PSY C1000	Intro to Psychology	Aguilera, P	OER: Psychology (2nd ed.)	Spielman / OpenStax

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5021	PSY C1000	Intro to Psychology	Aguilera, P	OER: Psychology (2 nd ed.)	Spielman / OpenStax
5024	STAT C1000	Intro to Statistics	Louis, S	Elementary Statistics using TI-84 (13 th ed.) (Optional) <i>Calculators are available for checkout in the Library</i>	Triola / Pearson

*These classes have zero textbook costs but technically cannot be marked as ZTC in the online schedule.

Courses with some free textbooks

CRN	Course Code	Title	Instructor	Title	Notes
3031	ART 1004	Introduction to Painting	Clother	Required readings provided in class	You will need to purchase art supplies
3033	ART 1006	Beginning Ceramics	Thomas	Optional Textbook	You will need to purchase art supplies
3035	ART 1009	Introduction to Drawing	Clother	Required readings provided in class	You will need to purchase art supplies
				<i>TI-30XIIS calculators: free checkout from the Library</i>	
3119	ETHN 1001	Ethnic Studies	Seals	Library Ebook: Conquest: Sexual Violence and American Indian Genocide	You will need to purchase primary textbook
5034	KINE 1011	Nutrition*	Frisbie, T	Library Ebook: Nutrition for Healthy Living (6 th ed.)	Schiff / McGraw Hill