Launching Canada’s first ZED CRED program
Supporting Access, Innovation & Student Success

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Since 1977, textbook prices have risen at more than triple the overall rate of U.S. inflation. Use the filter to choose a date range to track textbook price inflation. (SOURCE: BLS)
54% Not purchase the required textbook
30% Earn a poor grade
27% Take fewer courses
26% Not register for a specific course
17% Drop or withdraw from a course


![Bar chart showing percent correct for Exam 1, Exam 2, and Exam 3. The chart compares traditional textbooks, open print textbooks, and open digital textbooks.](chart.png)

- Exam 1: $p < 0.05$
- Exam 2: ns
- Exam 3: ns
KPU unveils sweet suite of courses with no-cost textbooks

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Metro Vancouver, B.C. – Students at Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) are about to save thousands of dollars on their education, thanks to dozens of courses that don’t require expensive, commercial textbooks.

Launched Nov. 1, the courses are part of KPU’s Zed Cred program, which is the first of its kind in Canada. The "Z" in Zed Cred refers to zero textbook costs and the “Cred” refers to an entire program, in this case KPU’s certificate of arts credential.

“Even a single textbook can cost well over $100, which means a student can spend thousands of dollars on textbooks on top of the cost of tuition during their post-secondary career,” said Dr. Rajiv Jhangiani, a university teaching fellow in open studies and psychology instructor.

KPU has launched more than 50 courses in the Faculty of Arts that use either free open textbooks or free library materials that are available online.
KPU CLASSES WITH $0 FOR TEXTBOOKS!

KPU is more affordable and accessible than ever!

Did you know that you can finish your first year of courses at KPU with zero cost for textbooks? Thanks to support from BCcampus, KPU now offers Canada's first Zed Cred program. The "Z" in Zed Cred refers to zero textbook costs by way of using open educational resources and/or free library materials. Register for courses in the Certificate in Arts a flexible yet foundational 1-year program based on the completion of 30 credits of coursework across various first year courses in ENGL, PSYC, HIST, SOCI, EDUC, among many others.

kpu.ca/ZedCred
ENGL 33796  Introduction to University Writing 3  Langley Lecture Open 25  Betty Anne Buirs

- Class: Sep 04, 2018 to Dec 03, 2018 — Thu @ 13:00 - 15:50 in room Langley, East 2590
- Final exam: Dec 13, 2018 to Dec 13, 2018 — Thu @ 12:00 - 15:00 in room Langley, East 2590

More Info: This course section has ZERO TEXTBOOK COSTS. For information about programs that you can complete with zero required textbook costs, visit ZedCred.

ENGL 33820  Introduction to University Writing 3  Surrey Lecture Open 25  Gillian Dearle

- Class: Sep 04, 2018 to Dec 03, 2018 — Mon @ 10:00 - 12:50 in room Surrey, Cedar 2005
- Final exam: Dec 10, 2018 to Dec 10, 2018 — Mon @ 08:30 - 11:30 in room

More Info: This course section has ZERO TEXTBOOK COSTS. For information about programs that you can complete with zero required textbook costs, visit ZedCred.

ENGL 33867  Introduction to University Writing 3  Surrey Lecture Open 25  Gillian Dearle

- Class: Sep 04, 2018 to Dec 03, 2018 — Mon @ 16:00 - 18:50 in room Surrey, Fir 322
- Final exam: Dec 10, 2018 to Dec 10, 2018 — Mon @ 15:30 - 18:30 in room Surrey, Fir 322

More Info: This course section has ZERO TEXTBOOK COSTS. For information about programs that you can complete with zero required textbook costs, visit ZedCred.

ENGL 33807  Introduction to University Writing 3  Surrey Lecture Open 25  Paul Tyndall

- Class: Sep 04, 2018 to Dec 03, 2018 — Tue @ 10:00 - 12:50 in room Surrey, Fir 322
- Final exam: Dec 11, 2018 to Dec 11, 2018 — Tue @ 08:30 - 11:30 in room Surrey, Fir 322

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Available support

• Direct funding: OER grants, Zed Cred grants
• Other funding: Creative Capital grants, 0.6% grants, Scholarly Inquiry grants, Paid Educational Leave
• Use of PD/accountable time
• Help with locating OER
• Training to adapt OER
• Print on demand service (Fall 2018)
• KPU Open listserv
• Faculty Learning Community

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