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UCF's Affordable Instructional Materials Initiative

UCF strives to support instructional material affordability through reduced costs to students. The Affordable Instructional Materials (AIM) Initiative focuses on efforts in the areas of First Day, Open Educational Resources, Library-Sourced Materials, and Affordability Counts. These efforts combined provide a comprehensive (two-fold) structure to reduce course materials costs for UCF students by removing barriers around access to the educational content required to help them succeed academically, while also establishing a mechanism by which to recognize faculty who make an effort to help scale this important work.

What's Being Done?

The AIM Initiative is a University-wide collaboration that includes the *Division of Digital Learning*, the *UCF Libraries*, the *Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs*, the *Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning (FCTL)*, the *UCF Bookstore*, and other University stakeholders. The **strategic approach** of the AIM Initiative can be illustrated by four pillars, which individually contribute to reducing the cost of instructional materials to students while jointly supporting a unified effort to bring AIM to scale. The four pillars are First Day, Open Educational Resources, Library-Sourced Materials, and Affordability Counts.



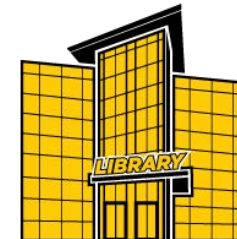
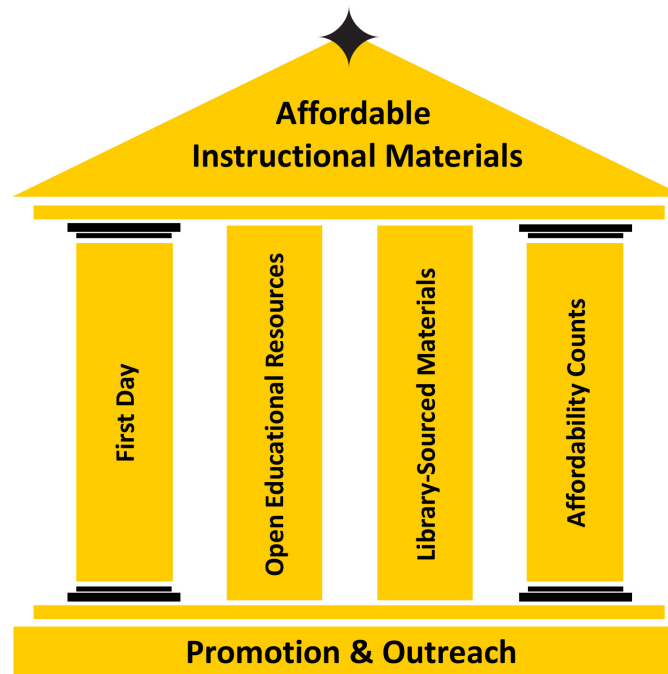
First Day

First Day provides a venue for students to get publisher course materials at a discounted rate.



Open Ed.

DDL and the UCF Libraries support faculty interested in open educational resources.



Library

The UCF Libraries provides free access to resources, course reserves, and eBooks used as textbook replacements.



Affordable

Affordability Counts acknowledges faculty for their efforts to keep instructional materials costs low.