



2024 AIM High Awards Nomination Supplemental Form – Individual Example

Please do not assume that nomination reviewers are already familiar with your work, so make sure to provide context and all pertinent details.

- 1. Please describe how the nominee(s)'s adoption and use of affordable instructional materials has made an impact on student success and access to a quality education. (approx. 300-500 words)**

I've been using the same textbooks for many years now. However, last year I noticed more and more that students were telling me that they didn't have a copy of the textbook because they did not have enough money to purchase all of their textbooks. I was often asked for copies of the materials, if copies were available at the library, or if there were cheaper alternatives. I honestly didn't know if my textbooks were available at the library, so I reached out for assistance. Once the library was able to locate a free alternative for my students, I've found that my students' grades have significantly improved!

- 2. List the course(s) which have been impacted by their use of instructional materials. Provide the course prefix if possible.**

AMH2010, AMH2020, AMH3541

- 3. How many course sections have been impacted by using affordable instructional materials?**

I typically teach 2 sections of each of my courses, so this has affected at least 12 sections since I switched over my materials.

- 4. How many semesters has the nominee(s) been using affordable instructional materials?**

I've been using these new materials for the past two semesters (since Spring 2022).

- 5. For the course(s) in which affordable instructional materials have been used, what is the estimated number of students that have been impacted? In your response, please specify if the number of students is by semester, over a certain period of time, by number of materials, etc. Example: An estimated 200 students per semester for the last six semesters.**

On average, I have about 30 students per section across my courses. So, for the past two semesters I would say an estimate of 360 students have been impacted (about 180 each



semester).

6. Please provide an estimate of the total cost savings for students since using affordable instructional materials. In your response, please specify if the estimated cost savings is based per year, per semester, per course, etc.

For example, if your previous materials cost \$100 per student in one course, but now you are use open educational resources to supplement your materials and have lowered the cost to \$60 a student, multiply the difference per student, and you will have the total cost savings.

Original: \$100 x 250 students = \$25,000

New: \$60 x 250 students = \$15,000

Cost savings: \$10,000 for one course

My previous textbooks cost students around \$30, \$35, and \$40. That's a total of \$105. And I currently have no cost for my textbooks. If I'm doing my math correctly (\$105 X 360 students), that's around \$37,800 saved since Spring 2022 over these past 2 semesters.

7. What student feedback has the nominee(s) received about their use of affordable instructional materials and how the materials positively affected them? For example, survey responses, student quotes, SPI data, etc. (approx. 300-500 words or screenshots will be accepted; *note that any student names provided will be redacted*)

I surveyed my students at the end of the semester to see how they liked the course. Many of them shared with me how grateful they were that they did not have to purchase a textbook for this course. In our discussions, some students actually found other free resources that I am planning to share with my students next year!

8. If you have any additional details about this specific nomination that you would like to share to help us better understand your use of affordable instructional materials and their impact on students. This could also include links to materials you have created/published/adopted, or presentations or publications.

I have been working closely with my subject librarian for over a year now. We are hoping to present at the next OpenEd week or TOPkit workshop. These are the links to the resources I decided to adopt: [*example of library resources*].