E-Textbooks at Milner Quick Reference

Milner Library is committed to making as many assigned texts available as possible.



What are the purchasing deadlines?

The deadline for textbook selection is the Friday before registration opens for each semester.



How long does the e-book purchasing process take?

It varies by publisher and platform. The process can take anywhere from a few days to a few weeks.



When does Milner receive the textbook list?

We receive the list from the Registrar's Office within a few days of registration opening, which is when the University Bookstore is notified.



When does Milner place their orders?

We begin placing orders five weeks before the start of the semester.



How many students can access an e-textbook?

We prioritize unlimited user licenses, but look into all options. Some e-books are only licensed with restrictions on the number of simultaneous users.



Need help?

Reach out to your Subject Librarian to work through your available options.



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E-books guide

A guide intented to help students find and use the e-books provided by Illinois State University.



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Process for acquiring e-textbooks

Find more detailed information about Milner's processes for purchasing e-textbooks in our Faculty Resources section of our Textbooks & Course Materials page.



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Affordable course materials guide

This guide provides faculty with information about affordable course materials and open educational resources.



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Textbooks guide

A guide meant to increase awareness of course materials, where to acquire those materials, and how to pay for them.



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How to find textbooks (video)

A collection of help videos that show how to use Milner Library search tools to find books and articles, how to print, and save work at Milner Library.



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