



No-Cost and Low-Cost Designators for Required Materials – New for Fall 2018

In Fall 2018, University System of Georgia (USG) institutions will be required to designate sections of courses whose course materials exclusively consist of no-cost (open or free textbooks) or low-cost course materials. Courses that meet this criteria will use the following designation.

ZNCM – No-cost: \$0 required costs

ZLCM – Low-cost: \$40 or under required costs

What is included in determining the required costs?

Textbooks and other text-based materials, workbooks, lab manuals, online homework platforms, and codes or publisher-provided curricular materials for students.

What is not included in determining the required costs?

Equipment (such as but not limited to are supplies, calculators, or physical lab materials) and fees for test proctoring.