



Big Changes in our Textbooks Department on Main Campus...

We've revamped our shelving system in the Course Materials Department and are excited to introduce a new, more expedient way of finding textbooks! Starting this semester, all textbooks will be shelved alphabetically by author, which will save students time. In the past, textbooks were shelved by course, instructor and section. The result was that same book was often shelved in several different locations (there were approximately 2600 titles shelved in 4700 locations). By shelving alphabetically by author, we have each book in only one location so that the students can always find what they need.

This new shelving system also helps us get books back on the shelves faster than we ever could before. Last semester we had over \$75,000 of textbook returns on just the first day of classes. Since we no longer have to look up each return by department, course and section, we can simply shelve the returns by author, again ensuring that the books are there when they are needed most. And the majority of these returns are used books, so getting those books back on the shelves immediately helps save students money over new book pricing.

We are also introducing a new technology in our Course Materials Department with Electronic Shelf Labels. These labels are integrated with our inventory database and will update automatically with info about pricing for all available versions, notices about when books are due in, and whether or not a book is even required for that course.

Both of these improvements help The UNM Bookstore stay green. In the past we had to change out those 4700 paper shelf tags several times a week. With the new ESLs and the more efficient shelving system, we save time and trees!

It's quick & easy as 1.2.3!

1. Bring your ID to Textbook Department
2. Scan ID
3. Your booklist prints out in alphabetical order!

We hope that these improvements will enhance the student experience at the UNM Bookstore. We are always here to help and will happily answer any questions you have regarding your textbooks and course materials.

Please feel free to contact us at 505-277-7480 with any questions.