

HEA Textbook Provisions

• The UNM Bookstore, UNM Provost's Office, and other departments on campus work together to insure the University is compliant with HEA. The essence of HEA is that Faculty, the UNM Bookstore, and the Registrar's office need to work together to provide course materials information to students at the time students register for classes. The UNM Bookstore has been designated by the University as the depository of the course material information which is made available on its website at the time of registration.

• Requires institutions of higher education by July 2010 who receive federal financial assistance to the "maximum extent practicable" and "in a manner of the institution's choosing" to provide students with accurate course material information including ISBN and retail price when available and practicable for each course listed in the institution's course schedule used for preregistration and registration purposes, or may otherwise indicate "to be determined." This is similar to the way many current registration systems interface or link with the college bookstore web sites and the store's course material database which contains the most up-to-date and accurate information.

• Encourages stakeholders to work together to reduce course materials costs.

• Requires textbook publishers by July 2010 to disclose certain course material information to faculty and staff including the net (wholesale) price and packaging options.

• Requires textbook publishers to offer unbundled course materials, unless they are bond by third-party contract, customs, or if the materials are designed solely as integrated materials.

• Encourages institutions of higher education to disseminate information to students on campus-based initiatives to reduce costs such as used books, guaranteed buyback, rental programs, e-books, print-on-demand, etc.

• Requires institutions to provide their campus stores with enrollment information and adoption information.