



Proposal:  
Affordable Educational  
Materials  
Subcommittee

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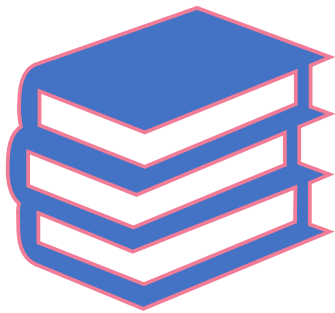
## Background

- 2016 BCC senate endorsement of AB 798 Textbook Affordability Plan
- 2016 awarded a Zero Textbook Cost Planning Grant from the Chancellor's Office
- 2018 ZTC symbol in BCC online course schedule--2021 it is removed in the PeopleSoft upgrade :(
- 2018 collaboration with learning communities to lower textbook costs (library sets, OER for psychology and history)
- We've worked with over 40 faculty since 2016 and saved students over \$600,000 dollars in textbook expenses



The Need

We've hit a wall.

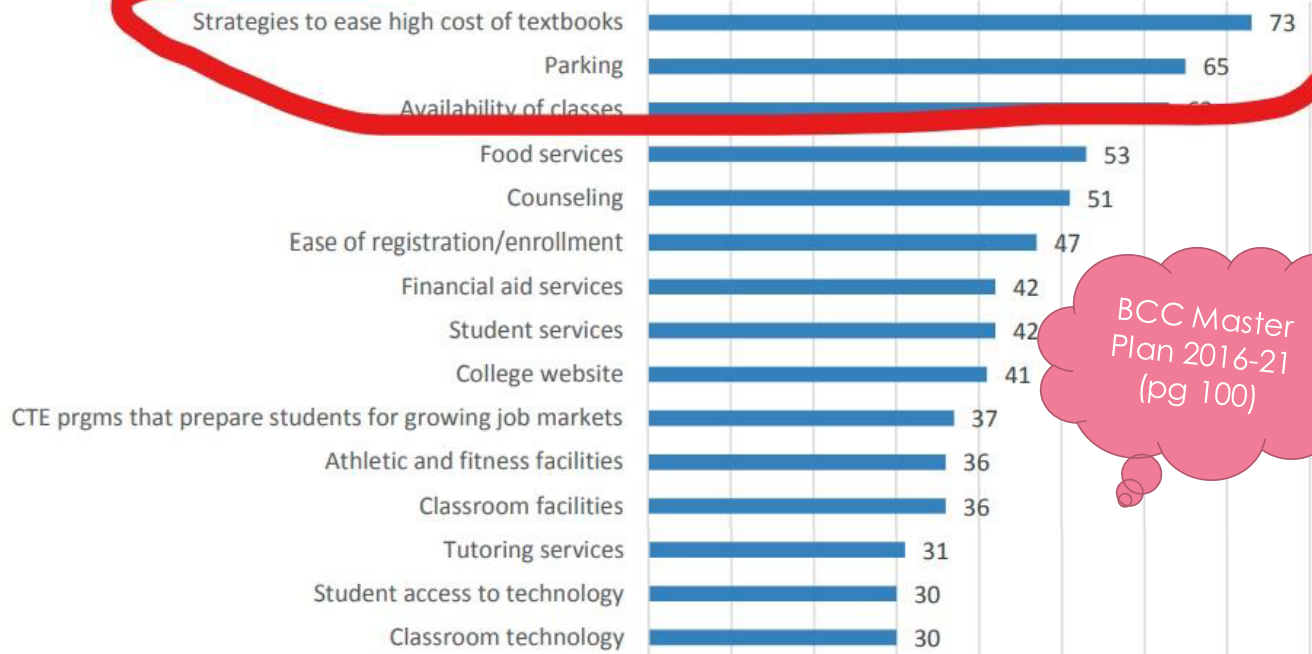


## *Textbook affordability and institutional planning....*

"BCC recognizes that the **equity gap** is deeply influenced by higher education practices, many of which have remained unchanged, at the core, over the past half-century. **No significant progress can be made in eliminating the equity gap until the college takes ownership of the issue** and adopts institutional and pedagogical procedures and processes specifically designed to achieve equitable outcomes across all student populations."

-BCC Ed Master Plan 2016-21

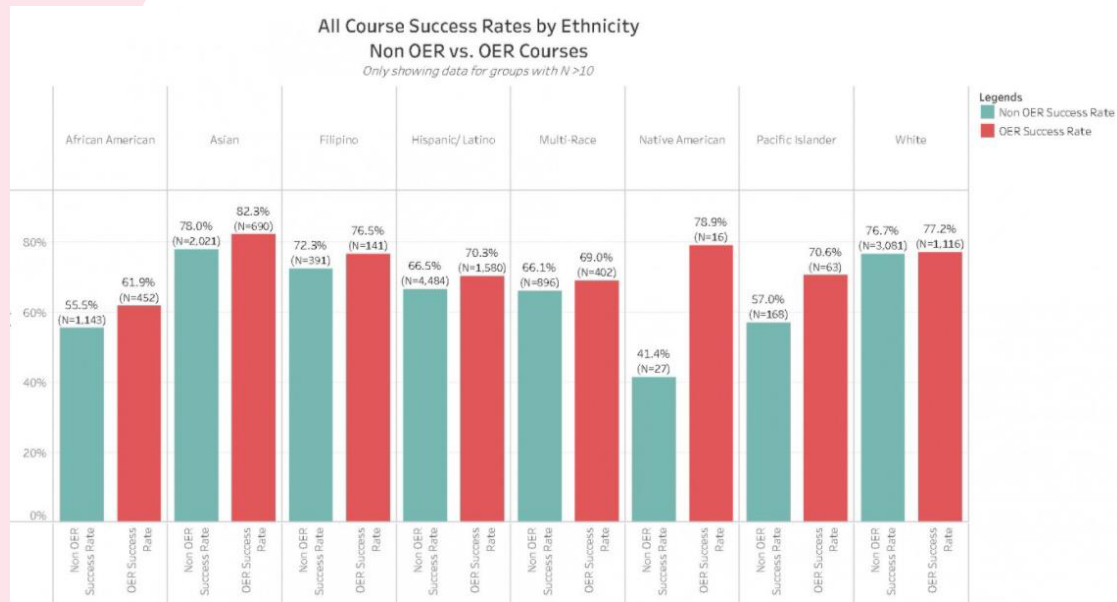
What do you believe are the most significant areas needing improvement at the College? (Select all that apply)



BCC Master Plan 2016-21 (pg 100)

# Benefits of increasing affordable materials (besides the obvious)

- Increase enrollment
- Course success rates





## *What we are asking...*

-ACTION/ASK: ENDORSEMENT OF  
COMMITTEE, RECRUIT MEMBERS,  
STRUCTURE TO REPORT TO SHARED  
GOVERNANCE

# Subcommittee Charge (examples)

Identify	Identify strategies to reduce textbook and course material costs for students
Recommend	Recommend actions that address textbook and course material affordability and accessibility, while respecting academic freedom
Educate	Educate students, faculty, and staff about alternative strategies to reduce textbook and course material costs
Encourage	Encourage the awareness, adoption, adaptation, and creation of affordable and free educational materials across the college
Include	Include affordable educational materials in institutional planning and initiatives
Develop	Develop Zero Textbook Cost Degree Pathways for our students
Partner	Partner with transfer institutions/programs (through Curriculum)