Fact sheet

Year founded: 1999

Founder: Richard Baraniuk, an electrical engineering professor at Rice University

What we do: OpenStax is a non-profit ed-tech initiative that provides free, openly-licensed textbooks that cover standard scope and sequence requirements for introductory college courses and Advanced Placement courses. We also develop personalized digital courseware at low cost to students.

How it works: Professors review our book and decide if they want to use it in their course. If they do, all they have to do is let us know—no sign ups required.

Students who have used OpenStax: 14 million

Money saved for students: $1.2 billion

Money saved for students in the 2019 - 2020 academic year: $272 million*

*Calculation is based on average undergraduate student spending on course materials published by the U.S. Department of Education in 2018, average student course load, and the total number of student users of OpenStax textbooks during the 2019 - 2020 academic year.

Students using OpenStax in the 2020 - 2021 academic year: 4 million

Cumulative school adoptions worldwide: 9,600 schools

Current school adoptions in the United States: 8,700 schools, or 60 percent of all higher education institutions across all 50 states.

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- Algebra and Trigonometry
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- Introductory Statistics
- Introductory Business Statistics

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- Anatomy and Physiology
- Astronomy
- Biology 2e
- Concepts of Biology
- Microbiology
- Chemistry 2e
- Chemistry Atoms First 2e
- College Physics
- University Physics Volume 1, 2, 3

- Biology for AP courses
- College Physics for AP courses
- Fizyka (Polish University Physics) Volume 1, 2, 3

Social Sciences
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- Principles of Economics 2e
- Principles of Macroeconomics 2e
- Principles of Microeconomics 2e
- Psychology
- Introduction to Sociology 2e
- Principles of Macroeconomics 2e for AP Courses
- Principles of Microeconomics 2e for AP Courses

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