

Inclusive Access (IA)

What is Inclusive Access?

The Inclusive Access program is a course material model in collaboration with top publishers that converts books into digital content. This program gives South Central College the ability to upgrade course material model to combine affordability and ease of access with 21st century educational tools. All enrolled students in a course buy into the content; therefore, lowering the cost to everyone. Enrolled students have access to the content on the first day of their course. The digital content includes Interactive Learning Platforms.

What is an Interactive or Adaptive Learning Platform?

Interactive Learning Platforms, or ILP's, are interactive software platforms developed to provide an enhanced learning experience beyond reading the text. They may include multi-media video and audio presentations and animation, and adaptive quizzes and homework sets which link directly to the related section of text when incorrect answers are given. They also allow for various levels of customization by the instructor, peer-to-peer sharing of notes, and the creation of digital flashcards you can use with smartphone apps.

How much does Inclusive Access cost?

The price varies depending upon the course materials chosen by the instructor, but most Inclusive Access prices are lower than the cost to access the material directly through the publisher, and average 30% to 60% off the cost of the printed text.

How will I get my access code?

If your instructor is using IA, you already have access which you can start using on the first day of classes. This information is often provided in the instructor's syllabus or will be provided the first week of class.

How am I able to get a printed loose leaf book for my course?

If you prefer to have a printed book to accompany your IA digital materials, depending on the publisher you may order an "OPTIONAL" printed upgrade. This printed upgrade may range from \$25-\$60 and is subject to availability. Not all IA courses will have printed loose leaf materials available. Due to the requirements of the PSEO program, PSEO students may not select the optional printed material.

How do I pay for my access?

The access fee will be billed directly to your student account After the Add/Drop date, for all enrolled students who have not opted out of the program or dropped the course. This fee is charged once per semester regardless of the number of IA courses a student is enrolled in. This charge is typically added during the second week of the term. It is important to watch your student account for this charge so it is paid on time to avoid any possible late fees.

What does it mean to opt-out?

If you do not wish to participate in Inclusive Access, you have up to the Add/Drop day (Generally the fifth day of the semester) to opt out of Inclusive Access (the opt-out procedure will be outlined D2L). If you opt out, the online content will be turned off and the course fee amount will be removed from your account. You will still be responsible for getting the information if you are still enrolled in the course. The bookstore does not carry materials for IA courses.

I opted out by mistake and realized that I still need access. Can I opt back in?

Yes. Simply email the Bookstore at Bookstore@southcentral.edu with your course information, name and Student or Star ID. You will have until the Add/Drop date to opt back in. We are unable to opt you back in after the Add/Drop date.

I did not opt-out, but I did not register my access or use the online platform. Will I still be billed?

Yes. All students who are enrolled in a course using Inclusive Access are automatically considered part of the program. To avoid being billed you must opt out on D2L before the Add/Drop day.

I purchased digital Access directly from the vendor. What do I need to know?

You should be sure to opt-out from the inclusive access program as prompted in D2L. Opting out should not impact your existing subscription.

South Central College will not be able to resolve problems or situations that may occur with 3rd party vendors that students purchase by Credit Card through the vendor online site. Students will need to reach out to that vendor.