

## **Affordable Learning Georgia**

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**eLearning: Yesterday's  
Dream, Today's Reality**

# Who Are We?

- Affordable Learning Georgia is a GALILEO and University System of Georgia (USG) initiative to promote student success by providing affordable textbook alternatives
- A one-stop service to help USG faculty and staff identify lower-cost, electronic, free, and open educational resources (OER), building on the cost-effective subscription resources provided by GALILEO and the USG libraries
- The USG has 30 institutions and over 300,000 students

**What can you do with  
\$1,440,000,000?**

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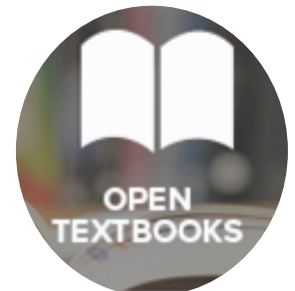


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## Goals and Programs

- Support more affordable learning materials through:
  - Campus advocacy (every campus has an ALG champion and library coordinator)
  - Faculty development (over 1000 attendees at ALG webinars and in-person workshops)
  - Bookstore collaborations (providing assistance to bookstores for lower cost options)
  - Grants and partnerships for textbook transformation (107 grants and partnerships with California State University System, Open Stax College of Rice University, eCore, and The University of Georgia Press and the University of North Georgia Press)
  - Web clearinghouse for materials (find free and no-cost-to-students quality learning materials)
- Open Educational Resources:
  - Top 100 Courses
  - eCore Zero-Textbook-Cost Solution
  - Textbook Transformation Grants: Working with Campuses and Faculty to Help Students



# Campus Engagement: Textbook Transformation Grants

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- Transformation-at-scale at College of Coastal Georgia**
- German Vargas**  
Chair, Department of Mathematics  
Chair of the Academic Advisory Committee on Mathematical Subjects (ACMS)
- COLLEGE of COASTAL GEORGIA**  
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

At the bottom of the slide is a small video thumbnail of German Vargas. The video player controls at the bottom show a progress bar at 2:22 / 6:23, a volume icon, and a red HD icon.

## Faculty Focus

- Release time and course-redesign
- Support faculty choice
- Build advocacy and awareness on campus
- Transformation of the course, not just the textbook
- New pedagogical models to improve student engagement.

**Strategies: Teams, Design Support, Learning Outcomes, Online, Library, Textbook from Day One of Course, Department-Wide, Campus-Wide, Recognition of Innovation in T&L**

# Total ALG Savings Impact, FY 15-16, Grants and Ecore

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Grants: 107

Courses, Grants: 156

Courses, eCore: 26

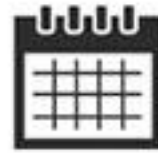
Total Courses: 182

Total Enrollments: 129,856

Cost Savings for Students: \$16,549,016



# \$16.5 Million In Textbook Cost Savings for USG Students, FY15-16



## Adding Up the Savings:

eCore zero-textbook-cost solution for 22,000+ enrollments a year

Textbook Transformation Grants are reaching 92,000+ enrollments a year





Affordable Learning Georgia helps USG faculty transform their courses with free and low-cost learning materials.



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