WHAT KIND OF ZTC RESOURCES ARE YOU USING?



ZTC-A

COURSE HAS NO ASSOCIATED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL

Example: The course does not use a textbook.

Student Perspective: Student doesn't pay and will not have a required textbook.

ZTC-B



COURSE USES ONLY NO-COST OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Example: Digital course content that is widely available without a fee. OER Textbooks, or other online or "open source" material.

Student Perspective: Student can find and use their OER textbook/online textual resources without payment.

ZTC-C



HAS INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL COST, NONE OF WHICH ARE PASSED ON TO STUDENTS

Example: Lending libraries, classroom sets, department provided texts. Student Perspective: Student doesn't pay (but the Institution or other entity does) and can access the text.

NOTE: TEXTUAL RESOURCES ARE SEPARATE FROM COURSE SUPPLIES!

Items that are classified as "supplies" for the course are not within the framework definition of ZTC.

Therefore, if a course needs to purchase a textbook alongside a "kit," only the textbook cost would need to be considered when designating ZTC, LCT, or TM.

Example: If the course uses OER material for the textbook alongside a "kit" that must be purchased, that course can be listed as ZTC-B on the course search.

SELECTING MATERIAL THAT IS ZTC CREATES HIGHER STUDENT RETENTION, INCREASES STUDENT PERFORMANCE, AND ELIMINATES BARRIERS TO LEARNING.