Dear Colleagues,

The Bay Tree Campus Store course material <u>portal</u> is open. Early adoptions save money for our students because it enables our course materials provider, Akademos, to anticipate demand for upcoming titles and acquire copies across the market, providing competitively priced options. Since its inception in January 2022, UCSC's partnership with Akademos has enabled students to save over \$736,000 on coursebook materials.

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If you are new to making your course material adoptions, the Course Material Website has several resources available to help you. You can also contact the Bay Tree Campus Store at txtbooks@ucsc.edu or call 831-459-1333 if you have any questions or would like assistance. If students have questions, please have them contact the Bay Tree Campus Store at 831-459-1333. Students will be able to log in to the Course Material Website to view and/or purchase their books and supplies.

Sincerely, Lori

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