

Access Day One Fact Sheet

What is Access Day One?

Access Day One (AD1) is a student-centered, faculty driven, and administratively supported approach at the University of North Texas to address the challenges students face in order to get access to course materials. The goal of AD1 is to both give students access to course materials beginning the first day of their course, and to reduce the cost of textbooks and other course materials. AD1 allows the instructor to use textbooks and other course materials beginning on the first day of class and can help reduce the cost of course materials.

AD1 is modeled after several very successful "first day" initiatives around the US. Other institutions in Texas are implementing the same model and UNT will collaborate in order to provide the absolute best version to UNT students.

When did Access Day One begin at UNT?

A pilot project with a limited number of courses took place during Fall 2018. Additional courses were added for the Fall 2019 semester.

What is the benefit to students?

Many college students go without access to textbooks and course materials during the first few weeks of classes (and in some cases longer) in an effort to save money. This presents challenges for faculty in how they teach courses and can disrupt the learning experience for students. That's why it's important to get affordable course materials to students on the first day.

Which courses are included in the Access Day One program?

A complete list of courses included in Access Day One for Fall 2019 is posted online at <https://vpaa.unt.edu/affordability/access-0>.

How are the Access Day One fees assessed to students?

The course materials associated with Access Day One are charged on the student's tuition and fee bill and listed as "electronic materials" followed by the publisher of the materials.

Is it mandatory to participate in the Access Day One Program?

No. Students can elect not to participate through the Opt-out process.

How do students Opt-out of the Access Day One program?

A student guide with the Opt-out process is posted online at

<https://vpaa.unt.edu/affordability/access/student-guide>.

Where can I get additional information?

Website with FAQs: vpaa.unt.edu/affordability/access

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