

# Chabot College Bookstore - Nursing Book Rental Program

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## Chabot College FIPSE Grant #P116Y090045

Chabot received a FIPSE (Funds for the Improvement of Post Secondary Education) grant from the Dept. of Education for \$299,075 for two years beginning October 1, 2009. We are one of 30 colleges and universities in the entire country to win this highly competitive grant. You can view the 20-page essay and business plan I wrote along with Yvonne Wu-Craig and Heidi Finberg at [www.chabotbookstore.com](http://www.chabotbookstore.com).

The textbook rental program as we envision it is a deep collaboration between the Chabot Bookstore, Chabot faculty, the ASCC representing student interests, Chabot Foundation, and administration. We need partnership and commitment to make this program successful in removing one of the barriers of student access to affordable education and by improving student learning outcomes for Chabot students. The Chabot Bookstore is responsible for the implementation of the rental program, and Kathleen Kaser is the project director.

### What FIPSE grants are about:

The US Department of Education funds special focus competitive grants for innovative ideas to improve higher education. Accountability, transparency, accessibility, innovation, opportunity, sustainability, measurability, and dissemination are the key goals. In addition, the course materials initiative is very high profile with Congress. FIPSE must make a special report to Congress in September 2010. Congress wants more books in the hands of students and expects results.

### Project Background

The Chabot College Course Materials Rental Initiative establishes a comprehensive textbook rental program that satisfies the diverse needs of Chabot students, including nursing students for courses that focus on basic skills, career-technical education or prepare students for transfer.

### Project Goals

1. Establish a textbook rental program to increase student accessibility to, and success in higher education.
2. Establish a rent-to-own rental program to assist nursing students.
3. Evaluate all program costs and income in order to realize cost efficiencies, and ensure the sustainability of the program past the grant funding period of September 30, 2011.
4. Communicate program plans, results, and best practices to all stakeholders.

### How you can select a textbook for rent:

Sign up for a rental book and indicate if you are renting only for the fall semester or rent to own. If you rent to own, your rental fee will be used towards the purchase of the book by the end of the semester. Rentals are for one semester only.

### Nursing books available to rent:

Fundamentals of Nursing, New book price \$122.20, Rental price \$42.00

Wong's Essentials of Pediatric Nursing, New book price \$106.60, Rental price \$42.00

Foundations of Maternal-Newborn, New book price \$97.70, Rental price \$37.00

Textbook of Med-Surg Nursing, New book price \$146.65, Rental price \$58.00

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