

Access Athens: A Student's Guide



WHAT IS ACCESS ATHENS/INCLUSIVE ACCESS?

The Access Athens (AA) program is what Athens State University calls their Inclusive Access program. The Access Athens program ensures that you have **immediate access** to required course materials on the first day of class and at the **lowest price possible**. You will access your digital course materials directly inside your Canvas course.

PAYING FOR AA COURSE MATERIALS

If your instructor chooses to add course materials to the AA program, you will automatically be opted into the program. Charges will appear on your student account before the start of your classes.

The price varies upon the materials your instructor uses, but AA materials are less expensive than purchasing directly from the publisher or other vendors. You will receive an email with information on which classes are part of the program and how much you will be charged for each material.

OPTING OUT OF THE PROGRAM

If your course is participating in AA, you will automatically be opted into the program, but participation is **optional**. If you do **NOT** wish to participate, you have 14 days after the start of your class to opt out and receive a refund. You can opt out by accessing the "Course Materials by eCampus" link in your Canvas course. A refund will be applied to your Bursar account.

Please note that if you opt out of the AA program, you will no longer have access to the required course materials through the link in Canvas. You will be expected to purchase materials elsewhere.

ACCESSING AA MATERIALS

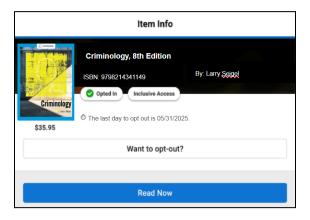
The process to access your material varies slightly depending upon whether your instructor has chosen an eBook or courseware.

To avoid access issues or being prompted for further payment, please make sure you follow the steps below and use the links within your Canvas course to access the content.



eBooks

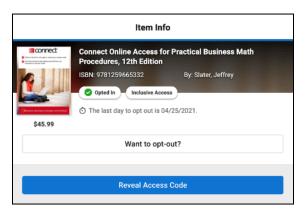
- 1. Navigate to your course in Canvas.
- 2. Locate and select the Course Materials by eCampus link within your course.
- 3. Select **Read Now** to access the eBook in the Bookshelf eReader. The eReader will allow you to read, highlight, and take notes.



Courseware

- 1. Navigate to your course in Canvas.
- 2. Locate and select the Course Materials by eCampus link within your course.
 - Codeless Access: Some courseware may not require an access code. In this
 case, you will access the courseware through a separate link in Canvas. The
 Course Materials by eCampus link will only be used for opting out.
 - Access Codes: For courseware that requires an access code, select Reveal
 Access Code. You will then need to redeem that revealed code at the
 publisher's website provided in your Canvas course.





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COMMON TROUBLESHOOTING TIPS

- Students will sometimes attempt to access their material directly through publisher websites. For AA material, you must use the links in Canvas.
- Occasionally device and/or browser settings will prevent students from accessing materials. Recommendations include trying a different browser, clearing cache/cookies, restarting the device, or possibly using a different device.
 - o For Apple devices, please make sure that "Cross-site tracking" and "Allow tracking cookies" are enabled (especially for vitalsource.com).
- Sometimes students will use the same material in class that they used in a previous term and may receive notice that their access has expired. If this is the case, please contact IA Support at iasupport@ecampus.com.

ACCESS ATHENS SUPPORT

If you have questions or would like more information about the Access Athens program, please email us at iasupport@ecampus.com.





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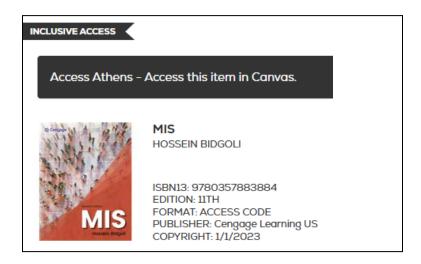
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HOW DOES ACCESS ATHENS BENEFIT ME?

- You'll save money! AA is the most cost effective solution for students.
- You'll have easy, immediate access to the correct course materials before the first day of class.

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY COURSE USES ACCESS ATHENS?

Courses that use Access Athens materials will have a notation on the course's bookstore listing. The notation will indicate if materials are part of the AA program. Additionally, you will receive an email about a week before classes start that will inform you which of your courses are participating in the program.



HOW/WHEN DO I PAY FOR ACCESS ATHENS MATERIAL?

If your instructor chooses to add course materials to the AA program, you will automatically be opted into the program. Charges will appear on your student account before the start of your classes. However, participation is optional and you may choose to opt out of the AA program. Please see the section titled "How do I opt out of AA?" for instructions on opting out.



HOW MUCH WILL I BE CHARGED FOR THE MATERIAL?

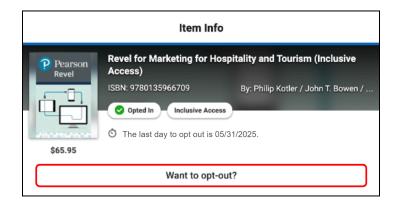
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HOW DO I ACCESS THE AA MATERIAL?

To access the material, you will need to login to Canvas, access your course, and locate the course materials link. To avoid access issues or being prompted for further payment, please make sure you use the access materials through your Canvas course. If you are unable to locate the link to your materials, please contact your instructor.

HOW DO I OPT OUT OF ACCESS ATHENS?

If you do not wish to participate in Access Athens, **you must opt out within 14 days after the start of your class to receive a refund.** You can opt out by accessing the "Course Materials by eCampus" link found in your Canvas course. A refund will be applied to your student account.



If you are unable to locate the "Want to opt-out?" option, please email <u>iasupport@ecampus.com</u> and include your course information.

Please note that if you opt out of the AA program, you will no longer have access to the required course materials. You will be expected to purchase materials elsewhere.

CAN I OPT BACK INTO THE AA PROGRAM IF I CHANGE MY MIND?

You can easily opt back into the AA program within the first 14 days of your class. If you need to opt back in, navigate to the "Course Materials by eCampus" link found in your Canvas course and select the "Opt-In" option.



WHAT ARE PRINT UPGRADES?

Print upgrades are specially priced print versions of textbooks that are provided as optional add-on purchases to your Access Athens materials. While AA materials are provided through Canvas and are typically paid for through fees included with tuition, print upgrades are purchased directly through your school's bookstore website.

Please note that print upgrades cannot be used to replace Access Athens materials.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I DROP AN AA COURSE?

If you drop a course that was participating in the Access Athens program, your student account will automatically be refunded according to the Athens State University's refund policy.

I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

We are happy to help! The eCampus Inclusive Access support team can be reached by email at at iasupport@ecampus.com.

