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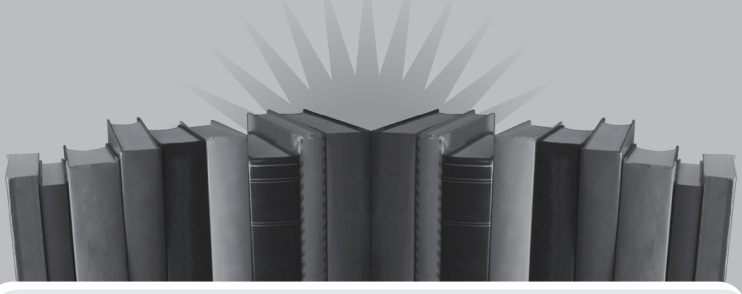
TIPS FROM THE USCL BOOKSTORE



- Buy "used" books whenever possible. To help students save money, college stores strive to provide students with as many used textbooks as possible.
- Know your store's refund policy, especially the deadlines. This way, you won't be disappointed if you need to bring things back.
- Keep your receipts. Most college stores require receipts for course material returns.
- Don't write in your books until you're certain you'll be keeping them. Most stores will not offer full credit for books that have been marked.
- Be cautious about educational purchases made away from your campus community. The exact items you need may not be readily available, and shipping fees can add to your total cost.
- Make sure you need all of the items offered. Textbooks packaged with software, a study guide or other materials can be valuable, but your professor may only use the textbook.

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