An initiative of the Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries (PASCAL)
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- 56 members
- Public and Private institutions
- 4-Year and 2-Year institutions
- 188,131 Full-time students
South Carolina Affordable Learning (SCALE) is a statewide initiative that seeks to reduce the overall cost of higher education for students by promoting the use of quality low-cost and no-cost learning materials.

The PASCAL Board of Directors has allocated funding for a three year pilot to explore and evaluate approaches around the state, and build awareness.
SCALE and PASCAL’s Affordable Learning Task Force

- Training and professional development for academic librarians
- Support for PASCAL member libraries in planning and implementation of local affordable learning programming
- Faculty programming designed to increase awareness and provide support for adoption of affordable resources at PASCAL institutions
- Funding and assessing award-based projects
Affordable Learning Survey
SCALE Website

Tools for finding high quality alternatives to textbooks, including Open Educational Resources (OERs) and library licensed materials.

Resources for academic librarians to promote affordable learning on their campuses and support faculty adoption of low or no-cost course materials.

Visit SCALE:  https://pascalsc.libguides.com/scale
Professional Development Webinars

- Introduction to Open Educational Resources and South Carolina Affordable Learning (SCALE)

- Search, Discover, and Evaluate OER

- Copyright & Creative Commons for Course Materials
SCALE Faculty Programs

- Professor for Affordable Learning
- Open Textbook Network
Professor for Affordable Learning Award

• Recognizes faculty around the state whose classes are zero-cost for course materials.

• Will enable PASCAL to create a database of faculty recommended affordable resources being used in the state.

• Over 60 professors from 14 institutions around the state have been recognized
Open Textbook Network Membership

2019 PASCAL joined the Open Textbook Network as a consortial member.

- Provide support for promoting OER in the state
- Provided two Train-the-Trainer workshops for librarians and campus partners
- Faculty reviews of OER at the Open Textbook Library
Going Forward

Institutional Grants

• Increasing institutional awareness of affordable learning resources on their campus

• Promoting faculty course use of library licensed materials in their teaching, including materials provided by PASCAL

• Creating or expanding programs that encourage the adoption, revision, or development of OER
Questions?

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