How do I receive my course materials?

All of the required course materials are delivered via NS Online. We recommend students to attend class to get more details. Once classes begin, the bookstore can assist in any questions about the digital materials.

Is this just an e-book?

For many of the courses it is not just an e-book. A lot of the courses participating in the program include Courseware, such as Pearson myLabs, to complete homework and testing. These are reduced below the cost even straight from the publisher, therefore we recommend students not to opt out. Courseware is typically required for courses utilizing it to pass. The course list found on the nscc.edu bookstore page can tell you if the course plans to use courseware.

I do not like digital text. Can I not just get a normal textbook?

We recommend the student try the e-book before deciding this completely. The e-books are delivered via RedShelf and have many features you cannot find in a traditional textbook. These features include a search function, highlighting, note taking that saves across devices, and even the ability to create citations automatically. For more information on Redshelf and the features they offer, please watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6PTIm2xWiKk&feature=youtu.be.

However, if you decide you would still like a print textbook many of the courses have a Print Upgrade option. This allows you to get a print textbook copy in addition to the course materials fee, still saving you over the traditional textbook. The price range on these upgrades is $20-$53 and can be found on the Course List on the nscc.edu bookstore page.

I do not have access to the internet all of the time. How can I use my digital textbook?

The Redshelf app has the ability to save your textbook in an “offline mode” so you can read it without an internet connection.

What if I have an open book test?

The Redshelf E-Text is great for open book tests! If the instructor is involved in a DEI course then they will make accommodations for the e-text to be used if they allow open book testing. The testing center also allows access to the e-text if the instructor notifies that it is allowed.

Do I have to have a tablet for my e-book?

A Tablet is not required. Any device with a browser can access your e-book via NS Online.
Have a question not listed? Contact the bookstore at 1767mgr@follett.com for help!