

Student Resources



Books, Technology, Services and Student Activities Include:

All required books and learning materials

All books will be bundled up and shipped directly to the address you have on file with Avila University. To check your address, please visit MyAU and click on the “Forms” section. You will see an option in the left column for “Textbook Delivery Address.” Your address can be verified here at any time and must be updated if your address changes.

Lightning fast Wi-Fi

Google Fiber provides connection speeds up to 1,000 mbps. Connect virtually anywhere on campus.

Campus parking

Parking is available in any of 11 campus parking lots with a permit from Campus Safety.

Access to Learning Commons and Hooley-Bundschu Library services

Services include computer access, laptops available for checkout, an IT help desk, library access and group study rooms.

Private academic tutoring and learning services

Services include tutoring and reading and writing assistance. TutorMe is available anytime online through your student Canvas account.

Access to the Fitness Center

Mabee Fieldhouse houses a fitness center with fitness equipment and an indoor track.

Valuable career services and mentoring

Services include career counseling, mentoring, job boards and tips on resume writing and job interview skills.

Counseling services

Confidential counseling for all students is included to promote quality of life and personal wellness.

Print and scan services

Services allow you to print at least 200 pages per semester or scan an unlimited number of pages.

Admission to athletic events

All Avila home games for men’s and women’s sports are included.

Admission to campus theatre, music and art events

Admission to a variety of theatre productions, music performances and art exhibits are included.

Admission to special campus events

Annual events such as the Ethnic Food Festival, Harry S Truman Lecture Series and many other student experiences are included.

Textbook FAQ

Student Frequently Asked Questions regarding textbooks:

What if a student wants to buy or keep a book?

Students may keep any of the books they receive. Some books (e.g. workbooks and access codes) can be kept at no additional cost and are marked "Purchased." For others that need to be returned, students can purchase them at a discounted cost. The exact cost will depend on the book. Contact the MBS Direct Avila Customer Service number to receive a buy back price. 1-844-602-9866 or 816-501-3737 or contactus@mbsdirect.net

May students write or highlight in the books?

Absolutely. But it is asked that they be kind to the next student who will get the book. A reasonable amount of writing and highlighting is definitely ok — just don't turn it into a work of art.

What is the format of the books?

Books may be in print or electronic (eBook) format, depending on the format the instructor adopts for the course.

What is the condition of the books?

Many books are brand new, and all used books are in good-or-better condition.

What if students add or change a class?

If your books were mailed to you, the system will automatically update the schedule, and additional texts will be mailed to the original address.

What if students drop a class?

Students will receive an Avila email reminder and information on how to return their textbooks.

When do the books have to be returned? — Check your Avila Email!

Books need to be returned within seven days of dropping or completing a course. Students will receive Avila email reminders prior to course completion with complete details. You may also return your textbooks to the bookstore.

What if students lose, accidentally damage or forget to return a book?

Books not marked "Purchased" must be replaced if lost or damaged. Some normal wear and tear is expected, but if the book is damaged to the point of not being acceptable (as determined by MBS Direct) the student will be charged for the lost or damaged book — at the discounted cost. If a student needs a replacement book, the bookstore staff can coordinate a replacement order. Contact the MBS Direct Avila Customer Service number with questions or exact book replacement costs. 1-844-602-9866 or 816-501-3737

What if a book was accidentally damaged?

Some normal wear and tear is expected, but if the book is damaged to the point of not being acceptable, students will be charged a non-returned item charge (50% of list price) and can keep the book.

How do students find out the exact cost for keeping, losing or damaging a book?

Contact the MBS Direct Avila Customer Service number to receive an exact replacement or buy back price. 1-844-602-9866 or 816-501-3737