



\* The reason for the cost differential between purchasing products off the shelf vs. special order is twofold:

- 1) Purchasing items in the bookstore is taking revenue away from the bookstore (i.e. if a large sweater is purchased by a department and then a student comes in to buy a large sweater, they may be unable to if we have no more of that size in stock).
- 2) Special orders tend to be of higher quantity, so we can achieve better discounts and since these items will be entirely purchased by a department it does not take direct revenue away from the bookstore.