

8.003 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability and Transparency

(DFKQLYHUVLWVWU~~ER~~W~~IG~~R~~SK~~D~~H~~O~~J~~XODWLRQ WKDW HVWDEOL
WH[W~~ED~~R~~Q~~N LQVW~~UD~~F~~ML~~R~~Q~~D~~E~~L~~O~~V\PS~~IR~~W~~RF~~L~~HR~~VW
UHTXLHG RU UH~~F~~R~~I~~P~~E~~D~~R~~GH~~Q~~VWUXFWLRQ~~VD~~X~~GP~~D~~W~~H~~U~~L~~D~~O~~V~~
ZKLOH PDLQWDLQL~~Q~~G~~F~~W~~K~~D~~F~~Q~~D~~F~~D~~G~~L~~H~~V~~N~~H~~R~~I~~G~~R~~K~~P~~H
UHJXODW~~SUR~~Q~~LY~~R~~ND~~I~~O~~D IROORZLQJ
D6HOHFWLRQ RI WH[W~~ERR~~N~~V~~ DQG LQV~~W~~H~~Q~~F~~ML~~V~~R~~Q~~D~~O PDWH
DQDO\VHV WKDW HQDEO~~W~~K~~H~~V~~K~~G~~H~~K~~D~~W~~W~~V~~V~~RS~~V~~E~~E~~X~~D~~E~~V~~ DW
ORZHVW DYDIEO~~F~~R~~O~~V~~LS~~G~~H~~L~~F~~H~~Q~~J
3XU~~F~~K

3URYLG~~L~~Q~~J~~ UHQWDO RSWLRQ~~V~~ I~~P~~U~~D~~W~~H~~I~~U~~W~~E~~R~~N~~V DQG L~~O~~
,QFUHDV~~L~~Q~~J~~ WKH DYDLODELOL~~W~~V~~E~~I~~Q~~G~~E~~R~~R~~N~~I~~R~~D~~Q~~G~~R~~U~~G~~D~~
OHDUQLQ~~J~~ REMHF~~V~~
'HYHORS~~L~~Q~~J~~ PHFKD~~Q~~L~~V~~Q~~V~~E~~W~~R~~L~~Q~~J~~V~~L~~N~~D~~O~~V~~K~~D~~U~~L~~Q~~J~~H~~O~~O~~L~~Q~~J~~
WH[W~~NE~~R~~R~~Q~~G~~ LQVWUXFWLRQ~~D~~O PDWHULDO~~V~~
7KH OHQJ~~W~~K RI WLP~~H~~ WKDW WH[W~~ER~~R~~I~~R~~D~~L~~Q~~G~~Q~~L~~Q~~V~~W~~U~~X~~
XVH
\$Q HYDOXD~~W~~L~~R~~Q RI FRV~~W~~ VDYLQ~~J~~V P~~D~~W~~M~~U~~H~~L~~D~~Q~~E~~R~~R~~N~~V~~ D~~O~~
ZKL~~D~~K~~V~~W~~X~~G~~H~~Q~~W~~ PD\ UH~~D~~O~~L~~

WK~~W~~ RSWLRQ~~V~~ UHGXFH WKH FRV~~W~~ RI WK~~H~~
LQVWUXFWLRQ~~D~~O PDWHULDO~~V~~
F\$GH~~Q~~L~~Q~~R~~W~~K~~H~~O~~H~~R~~W~~L~~R~~Q~~V~~ED~~R~~Q~~N~~LQVWUXFWLRQ~~D~~O PDWHULDO~~V~~
WHUP WKS~~U~~R~~V~~I~~K~~O~~D~~O~~K~~D~~M~~E~~E~~H~~E~~R~~R~~N~~V~~WRU~~F~~R~~Q~~I~~L~~U~~P~~
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ILQ~~D~~H~~L~~
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W~~K~~R~~X~~U~~V~~E~~H~~I~~R~~U~~H~~W~~E~~R~~R~~N~~L~~QVWUXFWLRQ~~D~~O PDWHULDO~~V~~
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K\$GHDGOLQH IKUSSRUVQVQWDRHTDQGHGHFRPPHQGHG
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UHJLVWUDWRQG

UFHLYH VXEMHFW WR WKH UHTXLUHPHQWV RIIWKHU)MORUL
DQG (PSOR\HHV DQG WKH RXWVLLQWUHTXWUWLPBQVFRGM
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D6DPSOH FRSLHV LQVWUXFWRU FRSZKMPDWHQVWVFWL
PDQRW EH VROG IRU DQ\ WISH RI VSRSHIQFDORQDLUWHK
DVUHH VDRORWVRU UHVDOH
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PDWHVLDVQLVQVFXGQVFRZQFWRLZRUU
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H7UDLQLQJ LQ WKH XVH RI FRXUVH PDWHULDOV DQG OHD

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\HDU WR WKH &KDQFHORU RI VLQHD6RDUW BVBGLYMHUVEWQH
&KDQFHVORWU GHWDLOV
D7KH VHOHFWLRQ SURFHVV IRU KLJK HQUROOPHQW FRXU
E6SHFLILF LQLWLDWLYHV RI WKH LQVWLWXWLRQ GHVLJQ
WH[WEDRQV LQVWUXFWLRQDO PDWHULDOV
F3ROLFLHV LPSOHPHQWHGLQHHJURVROJDOGHLSRWWUXFWLR
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WKH ILUFDVY\ RI
G7KH QXPEHU RI FRXUVHV DQGDVFXUHVQRVWVHROV WR PH
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