

Week 1 Update:

The first week of our project was primarily about user research. Given that **Bookmate** did not build off a previous capstone project, we conducted some informal interviews that provided us some insight into the current strategies UW students use to exchange used textbooks with one another. [Please refer to the [User Research Findings](#) link for more info] With this information, we learned what aspects of the textbook transaction process are important to UW students and translated them data and functional requirements that our application would support. We then organized these requirements into a more concise information architecture through affinity diagramming and designed a corresponding system map that conveyed the flow of our application.