Functionality

Students will be able to search for textbooks by name, author, DOI, etc

When textbooks are searched for and sort them from cheapest to most expensive, checking multiple sources

Students will be able to sign up and log in with their school email to make pinpointing a textbook easier

The app will also search for and automatically apply any coupons that it can find

Finances

Will this app be free to use? Yes, we aren't extorting college students.

The app will occasionally run ads, there will also be an add bar that occasionally appears on the bottom of the screen

It will take sponsorships from websites selling textbooks to students for cheap, or other sites benefiting students

Students will be able to use credit, debit, google pay, Apple Pay, or any pay later features like Affirm.

Design

The app will have both a light and dark mode

The interface will be simple and easy to use

Name is still being workshopped

The app's color scheme could change depending on what school the student goes to

Textbooks

Students will be able to choose between physical and virtual textbooks

If an access code is needed, students will be provided one after purchasing the textbook

Students will have the option to purchase access codes without the textbook if they don't need one

Students will get free express shipping!!

Exchanging

If a student purchases a physcial textbook, they will be given the opportunity to sell it back to us

If a student is renting a textbook, they will have to sign a contract saying they will ship it back, we will cover the shipping

There will be an exchange feature that allows students to essentially trade textbooks, all transactions will go through us of course

If a student needs to return a textbook, they can do so at any point. The refund percentage depends on the textbook's quality