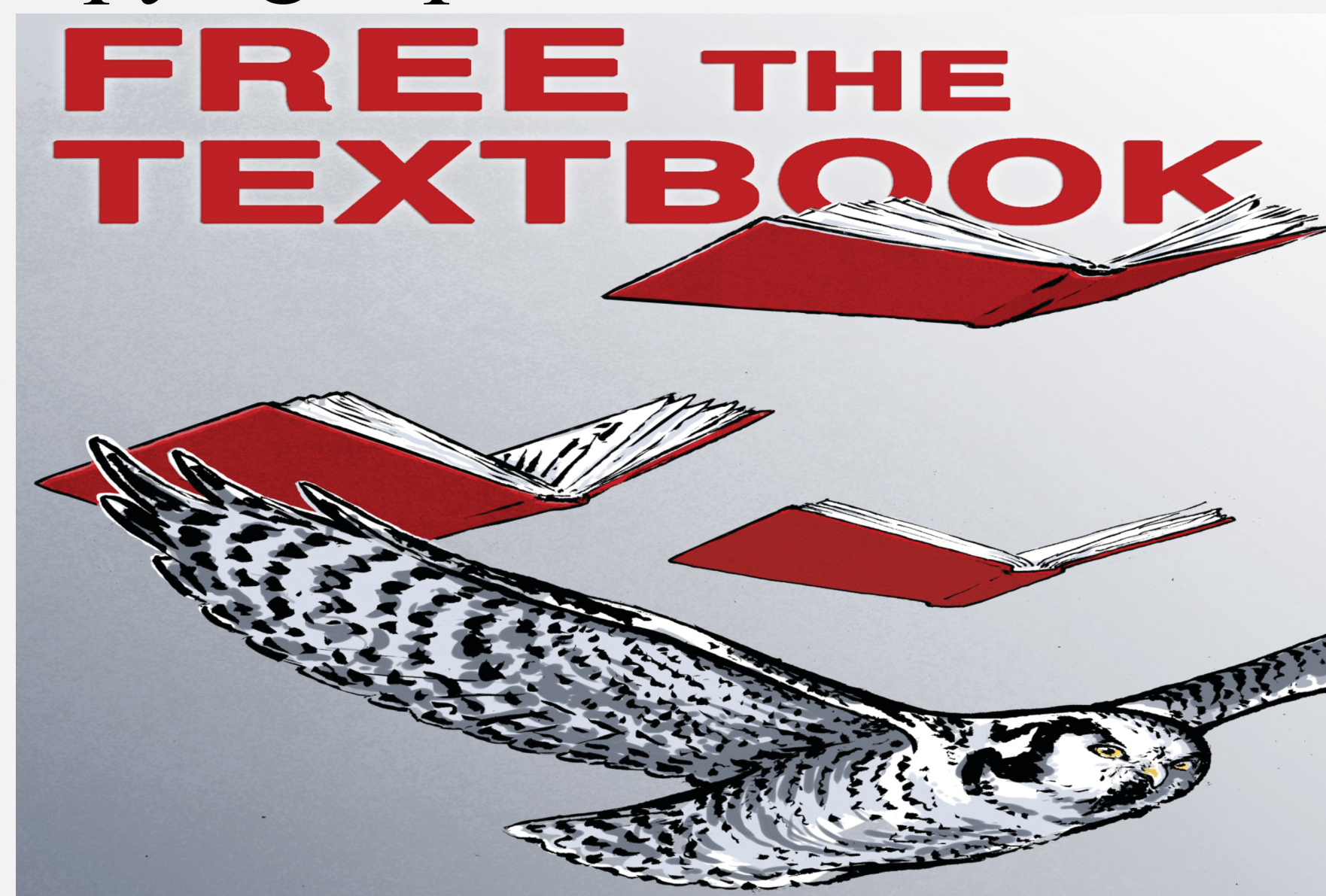


Practice Problem

Open educational resources (OER) are digitized resources for the education community, utilized to enhance teaching, learning, and research opportunities. The OER is a free resource and is designed for the community to use without receiving special copyright permissions.



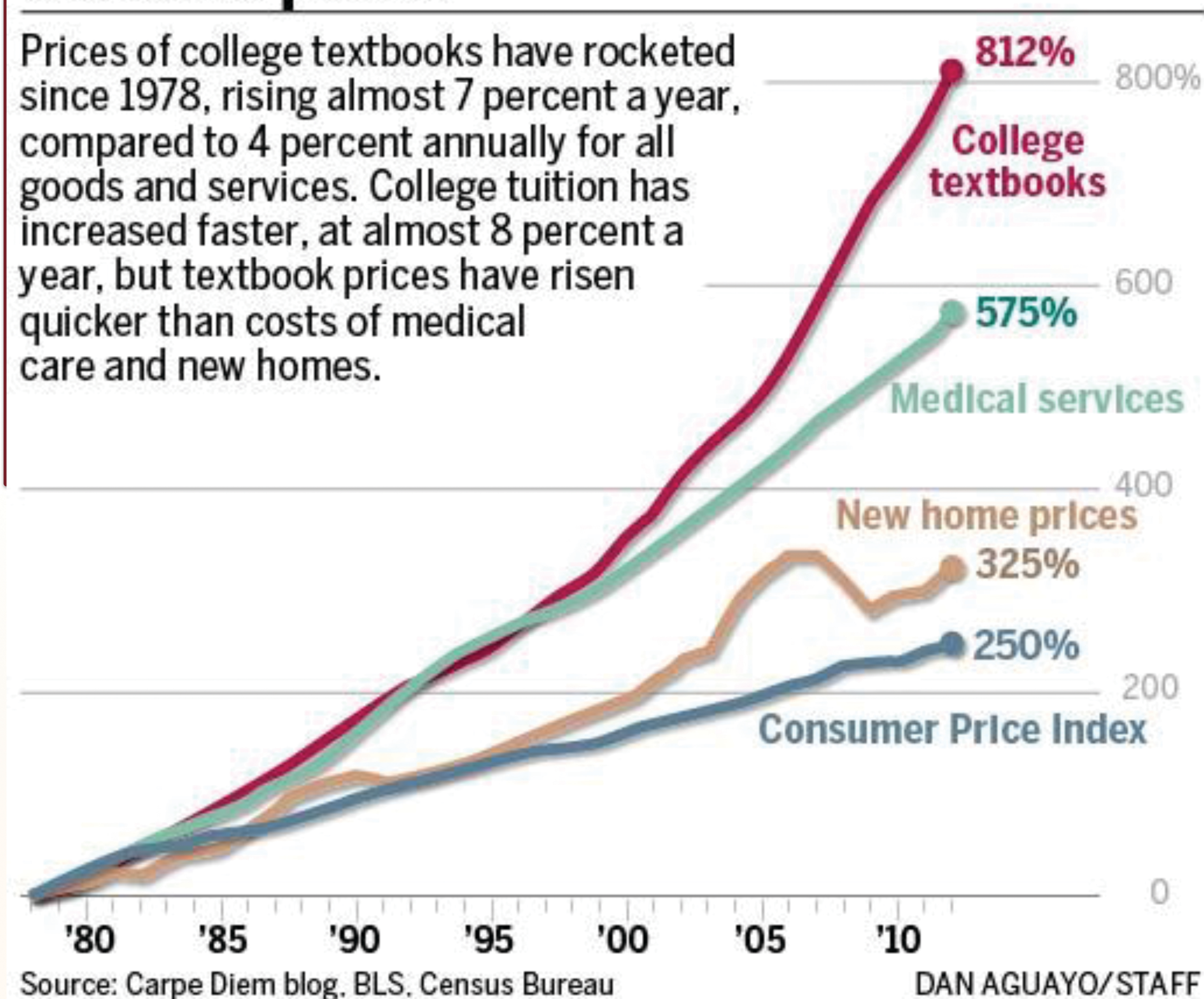
PURPOSE/ AIMS

- This purpose of the OER is to free the textbook. By minimizing the cost of books for students, there is a significant decrease in student debt.
- The OER may increase the students utilization of resources by taking away the inhibiting factor of cost.
- The OER program is also a repository for the educational profession to create books and documents to be utilized by others openly.

Cost of Textbooks

Textbook prices

Prices of college textbooks have rocketed since 1978, rising almost 7 percent a year, compared to 4 percent annually for all goods and services. College tuition has increased faster, at almost 8 percent a year, but textbook prices have risen quicker than costs of medical care and new homes.



Project Evaluation

The final OER project evaluation will occur after each the fall and winter semesters of school year 2017-2018. The IDEA evaluations for the course will serve as the measuring tool after each semester.

Pitfalls of OER

- Finding a suitable resource for the specific information related to the individual professions.
- Nursing is not a profession that has specific information within the repository.

Implementation of OER

OER will be trialed in Nursing 495 Fall 2017. This is a capstone course for the RN to BSN cohorts.

OER's to be utilized

- YouTube videos
- Leadership and Management Books and Journals
- Leadership Research Articles
- Quality Management Articles
- Project Management Articles

