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From: BC ELN Office

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** Please forward as appropriate. Due to the confidential nature of negotiations, please do not share pricing information outside your institution* *****

Hello everyone,

The BC ELN Office is pleased to share that after several months of purposeful negotiation with EBSCO, a pricing proposal for the Undergraduate Resource Bundle (URB) has been achieved and is ready for partner library feedback. The URB is a 3-year bundle, set to renew in June 2027, that combines Academic Search Complete and Business Source Complete.

BC ELN negotiated on the understanding that 83% of institutions are willing to commit in principle to the URB, and the outcomes have been positive: BC ELN was able to keep annual increases lower than the previous term, continue with existing and substantial consortial discounts, and retain the opt-in option for libraries interested in licensing only one product.

The URB offer and opt-in pricing are now available for review on the BC ELN website, as is additional information to support decision-making (e.g., title lists, content analysis, alumni options, etc.): https://bceln.ca/eresources/undergraduate-resource-bundle/2027-30-renewal.

- **Note: You will need to log into the website to view the full right-hand menu, including pricing information.** The login link can be found in the website footer. If you do not know your password, click the “Request New Password” link on the login page and enter your email address.

Next steps:

- The BC ELN Office is requesting any feedback you may have on the proposal via

email, by **November 12th, 2026.** Please send feedback directly to office@bceln.ca.

- After the feedback period closes, the BC ELN Office will distribute the final commitment survey with a two-week deadline for responses. The intention is to get a response from each partner library on whether they will commit to the URB for 2027-30.

If you have any questions or feedback on the proposal, please don't hesitate to reach out to the URB team:

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