

Postsecondary education

# What you need to know about becoming a Bookshare member.



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## Steps to access content from Bookshare to ensure a smooth transition to postsecondary studies

HumanWare is pleased to announce a focused presentation on transitioning to postsecondary studies. We'll be looking at transitioning from high school to postsecondary studies and engage in a discussion with individuals who are in the postsecondary environment. This webinar will be presented by Brenda McBride, Product Manager for the ClassMate Reader in conjunction with Cherie Miller from Bookshare. We will also take a look at what individuals will need in order to access services from Bookshare while pursuing post secondary studies.



Cherie Miller



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23:00 (UTC) Coordinated Universal Time

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Daylight Saving Time

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Location: Webinar through the HumanWare weblink.

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Topics discussed will include:

- How do I become a member of Bookshare after grade 12 graduation?
- If I'm already a postsecondary student, what do I need to have in place to access Bookshare services?
- As a person with a disability, why would I want to have a Bookshare membership?
- What documentation do I need to have in place to become a member?
- What is the best way to search for available textbooks in my area of study?
- What questions do I need to ask the disability resource office to receive alternative format textbooks?
- Is there software available to read Bookshare files?
- Questions and Answers

#### About Bookshare

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