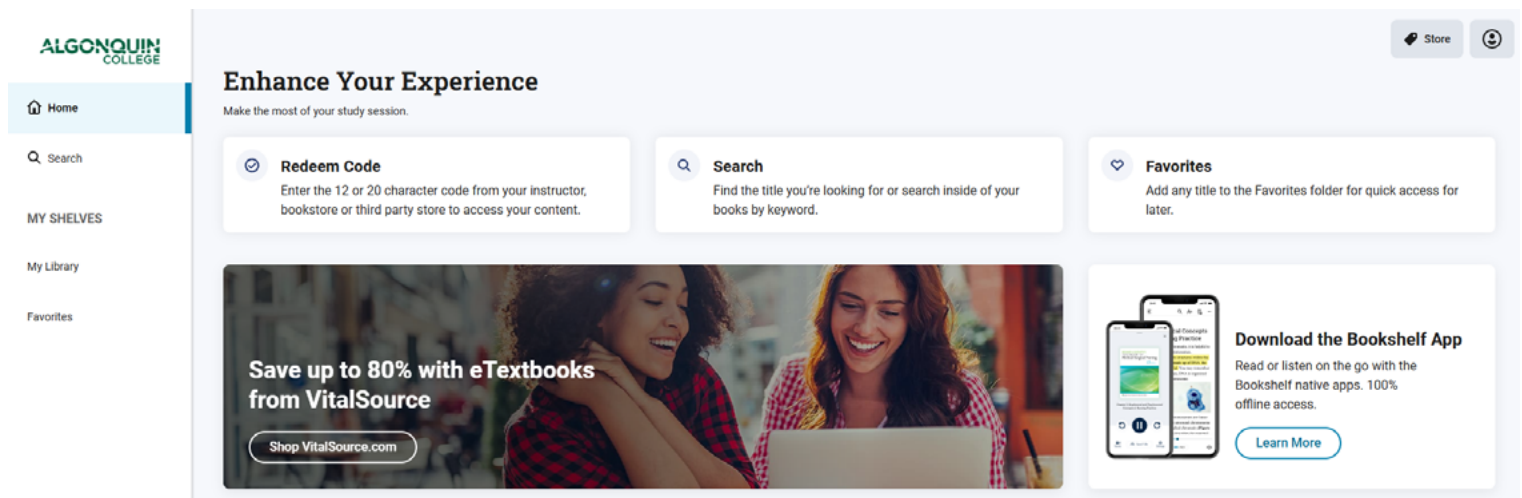


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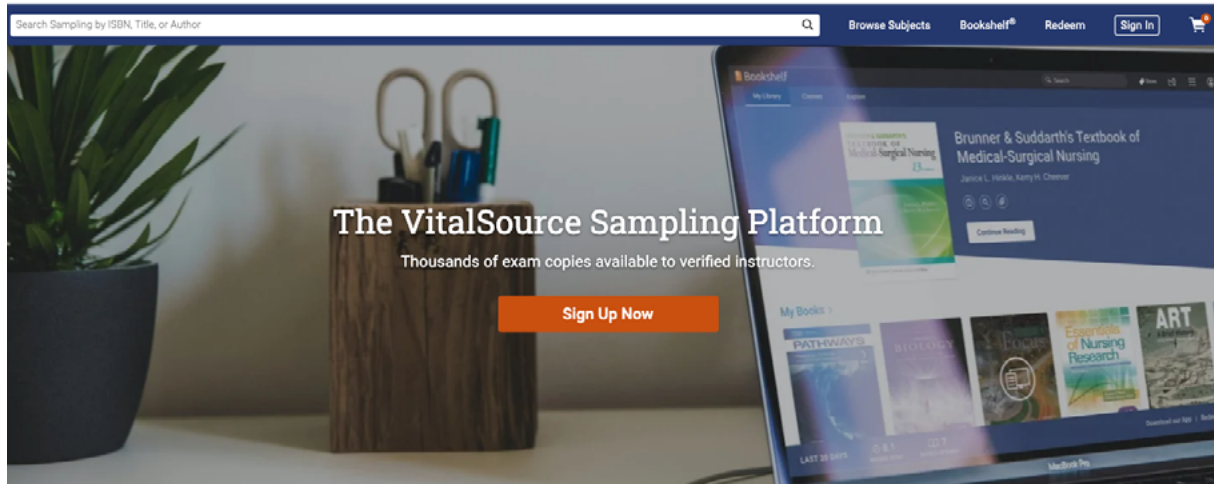
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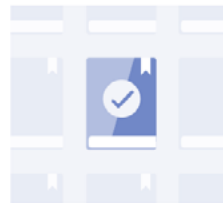
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WHY ARE WE UPGRADING TO VITALSOURCE BOOKSHELF?

Following a College-led environmental scan, the decision was made to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to ensure the College provides students and employees with a digital resources and e-reader solution that is both user-friendly and delivers strong value. Several external organizations responded to the public RFP, with industry leader VitalSource Bookshelf receiving the highest evaluation score.