

Greetings!

The following is some important information about your Math 107 class this semester.

There are three kinds of homework: textbook practice, WebAssign, and hand-in assignments.

1) *Practice homework* is listed on the course schedule and is from the textbook. It is not going to be computed in your grade. **However, this does not mean it is not important!** These exercises are the practice that will help you to learn the material. Do the practice homework *before* tackling WebAssign. You need to be able to correctly answer all of the assigned problems. Ask questions about these at the beginning of class, or in the Academic Resource Center.

2) *WebAssign* is an online homework system. You will need to purchase an access code either from the campus bookstore or online at the prompt. *Here at U of B, you did not purchase an access code with your textbook.*

Go to <http://www.webassign.net/>, and click on the “Log In” button.

For your **username** use your UB Directory ID—the one in the format < UB-number-number-letter- number- number >.

For **institution** use ubalt.

For your **password** use your University ID Number (seven digits starting with 10..., the one on your course schedule and student ID), *not* your Social Security Number.

If you do not remember your University ID Number, you should be able to get it by logging onto MyUB.

For the first two weeks of the semester you can click on the “Continue without entering an access code” link toward the bottom. You will need to purchase an access code before the free-use time runs out—either in the bookstore or online by clicking the “Purchase an access code online” link. The cost is \$11.95 per semester online; \$13.50 from the bookstore.

The first assignment, Getting Started, is listed. It is meant to help you become acquainted with how WebAssign will work and to catch any log-in problems now, before we get into full swing. This first assignment will not be counted in your grade, but the rest of WebAssign will be computed into your grade. The first two graded assignments, which will have questions from sections R.1 and R.2, respectively, have also been posted. In general, WebAssign tasks will be due 10 days after the material is presented in the class lecture.

If you have any problem logging in or have any other questions, email me and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

3) *Hand-in homework* will be assignments that I have written. Each one will cover more than one section from the text. Due dates are listed on the course schedule. These will also be counted as part of your grade. As with any graded assignment, you must do your own work, and are not allowed to copy from someone else or get another person to do it for you.