Using MyMathLab

Your homework will be done online in ELMS/Canvas using the MyMathLab software provided by the publisher of your textbook. See the instructions below for accessing your graded homework online. Most importantly: You must access MyMathLab through Elms/Canvas, and not through Pearson's website, to ensure that your homework grades get recorded properly. If you get to a page asking for a course ID, then you are following an incorrect route.

"Section 1.1 Homework – Math 220" and "Section 1.2 Homework – Math 220" and "Section 1.3 Homework – Math 220" should be available now. The rest of the MyMathLab Homework links will be activated approximately one week before the lecture for a particular section. The <u>Assignments</u> link and <u>Syllabus</u> links on the left side of your Elms/Canvas page will help you to keep track of Homework assignments and their due dates. The <u>MyLab and Mastering</u> link in the left column is the path you need to use to access, and do, the assignments. When you get to the MyMathLab page, look for the MyMathLab All Assignments link.

The following are the basic steps you need to take to link your Canvas account to MyMathLab so you can access graded Homework assignments.

- 1. Go to elms.umd.edu and log in to your Math 220 Canvas page.
- 2. Click on the MyLab and Mastering link, then click on the My MathLab with Pearson eText Course Home link. You must sign in with your Pearson account username and password. If you do not have a Pearson account, you can create one as part of the registration process. After signing in or registering, your payment options appear.
- 3. You can choose to: (1) Purchase access with a credit card, (2) Redeem a MyLab or Modified Mastering access code that you already purchased. (Here at UMCP, an access code is bundled with the textbook, or can be purchased as a separate item, at the campus bookstore.), or (3) Request temporary access so you can pay later. I recommend option (3).
- 4. Click on the Learning Catalytics link. This link will allow you to connect your "clicker" account to your elms account.

After this one-time process, you will be able click on the Homework links on the Math 220 MyMath-Lab All Assignments page to launch individual Homework assignments. After linking your accounts, you will never be prompted to sign in to your Pearson account again from within Canvas.

Troubleshooting Tips:

Clicking on MyLab and Mastering opens up a new tab, in which you will work on your assignments within MyMathLab's servers. If you find that these links do not seem to be working, try the following.

(1) Make sure that your browser is set to allow popups from myelms.umd.edu. If the popup blocker is on, the links may not work properly.

- (2) Reboot your computer; your RAM may be too fragmented for links to work properly.
- (3) Try accessing MyMathLab from a different browser.
- (4) Try accessing MyMathLab from a different computer.

If none of these steps work, send me or your TA and email explaining the problem so we can try to figure out what is going wrong, and possibly solve it.

Another noteworthy item: Use the "Save" button to save your work often! In this way, a computer crash or Internet connection failure won't result in lost work and time.

Still another noteworthy item: The scores you earn on the MyMathLab assignments do not appear in the Canvas gradesheet right away. Instead, all scores from every student are sent to Canvas all at once on a periodic basis. If you receive an email, it only means that the scores you have achieved in My MathLab up to that time have been migrated over to the Canvas gradesheets. Any work you do after that time will be added in the next migration of scores. If you have any questions, send me an email at lcw@math.umd.edu