

## **Important Changes in Math Lab Assignments for 101/102/191/192/105**

The change of textbook for MAT 101 and MAT 191 brings change in the Math Lab assignments that many of you are using as extra credit or required work for your students. (The MAT 105 assignments have also been revised.) Please use the new forms that are attached to your new department syllabus. These forms are also available on the shared department network (Z) drive (in the Math Lab folder) and on the new Math Lab website under Faculty Resources.

The new text comes bundled with MyMathLab. This is a web-based program very similar to the InterAct software used for the Lab assignments (the problem data bases are identical). It is inevitable that students will ask if they can do the Lab assignments at home using MyMathLab. The answer to this question is YES.

The Math Lab assignments are one way of getting beginning math students into the Math Lab so that they know where we are and what kind of resources and support are available for them here. We would like to encourage students to become acquainted with our facility, but we don't want to deprive them of the extra practice and the convenience of using MyMathLab at home. Math Lab Assignment 0 (2 videos on math test taking skills) would still need to be done in the Lab if you wish to assign it. The attached directions for students who want to do the Lab assignments using MyMathLab will also be available in the Lab so you might send students to the Lab for these instead of handing them out in class if you want to ensure at least a brief visit to the facility. We expect that most students will probably do some of the assignment at home and some in the Lab while they are on campus or between classes. The Math Lab practice tests for 101, 102, and 116 are NOT available on-line and would still need to be done in the Lab. (As an instructor, you can create your own practice tests, quizzes, and assignments for your students using MyMathLab if you wish.)

If you provide your students with the generic course ID of math91138 (for MAT 101), or math08995 (for MAT 105) your students will be able to do the assignments and will turn in a printout of their results to you.

If you register as an instructor at the CourseCompass site, you may "copy" the course math91138 (for MAT 101), math59274 (for MAT 102), or math08995 (for 105). These courses have the Math Lab assignments in them. You will be given a unique course ID and can then customize the course if you want. Provide your students with your course ID (not the generic one), and you will be able to monitor their progress and completion of the Math Lab assignments through the "grade book" feature and will not have to deal with the paper printouts.

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