Access WebAssign

You can enter WebAssign and do your homework without paying or having an access code for **2 weeks**. After that you have to pay, or obtain an access code with a new or electronic textbook purchase.

Visit www.webassign.net

Click on "I Have a Class Key" in the Account Log In menu on the right. Class Key for

Professor <u>Jen-Mei Chang</u> is **csulb 8439 1781**Professor <u>Amy Mulgrew</u> is **csulb 8363 4825**

Follow the instructions.

- If you are waiting to get your bundle: access WebAssign (but not the ebook) for free for up to two weeks.
- If you bought the bundle: Enter the <u>access code</u> when directed.
- If you will not buy the bundle (i.e. if you "Go Electronic") follow the directions to pay.

You access the ebook through WebAssign after you pay or enter your access code from the bundle.

Your WebAssign Homework

Doing the math

- Do your work on paper (you can print the assignment, if you want; this suggestion is for your mathematical health, not an assignment to be turned in).
 - The videos in WebAssign are a great resource, but remember you have to do the problems without help on the tests.
 - Label your work with the assignment and problem number, for easy reference.
 - Mark the problems for which you needed to watch the video or refer to your notes, so you can practice them again without help. There are no videos on exams!
 - Give yourself the opportunity to practice showing your work. WebAssign is an answer-checker. On your exams, your work will be graded, not your answers.

Entering your answers

- You have 30 tries to get each problem right, so don't worry if you are uncertain. When you use up, say, 10 tries, consider asking for help. Guessing does no good.
- You get full credit for getting all the problems done by the deadline.

Things to help you within WebAssign

- The gold "**Watch it**" button (available on some exercises) yields flash animated examples of similar problems with a voice over by a happy math teacher.
- The gold "Master it" button (available on some exercises) guides you through the steps to solving another version the problem. After completing the guided solution, you solve the problem in your homework for credit.
- The gray "Practice Another Version" opens a window with another version of the same problem. Do your best to answer all or part of this practice problem, and then click "Grade this." Then click "Show Answer." WebAssign shows you the answer to the parts you attempted. Sometimes seeing the answer helps.

Grace period

We understand that sometimes issues may arise that prevent you from meeting a deadline. You may request an automatic extension to complete the

assignments within 2 days of the deadline, but problems completed after the deadline will receive 80% of their point values.

Pep talk

Stay on top of the fast pace of this preparatory course. Your success in Pre-Calculus Algebra will carry forward to success in Calculus, Chemistry and beyond, where you will constantly use the skills you rehearse this semester. Work hard, and the foundation you establish in Pre-Calculus Algebra will support you in Calculus, and wherever you go from there.