## Online Homework Information Coordinator – Ben Aurispa (baurispa@math.tamu.edu)

- Online homework is required Math 131, 140, 141, 142, 150, 151, 152, 166, 167, and 251/253.
- Online homework and eBooks are found in the online system WebAssign. To log in to WebAssign (for both students and faculty), go to <a href="https://www.webassign.net/tamu/login.html">https://www.webassign.net/tamu/login.html</a> and log in using your University NetID and password. Your students will automatically be placed into the Math class they are enrolled in. As long as I have set you as the instructor of your course, you will be able to see the courses you are teaching in WebAssign. If you have never used WebAssign before, I will need to create an instructor account for you. Please email me once you have a NetID and I will get your account set up.
- The main page for information regarding online homework is <a href="www.math.tamu.edu/courses/eHomework">www.math.tamu.edu/courses/eHomework</a>.

  Please put this link on your webpage for your students!! This page contains a link to the WebAssign login page, the Student Information Page, and also contains Technical Support and a Student Help Request Form that you can direct students to if they are having technical issues.
- Students must purchase access to be able to use WebAssign. There are different ways to do this, depending on what course you are teaching. For all classes listed above (except for Math 140 and 150) there are loose-leaf versions of the text available in the bookstore that include an access code for WebAssign. Students also have the option to not purchase a physical book and instead purchase an eBook along with WebAssign access directly from WebAssign. All of this course-specific information is found on the Student Information Page at <a href="https://www.math.tamu.edu/courses/eHomework">www.math.tamu.edu/courses/eHomework</a>. The easiest thing to do is to direct students to this link on your syllabus for information regarding purchasing WebAssign access and logging in, instead of trying to put all the specific details in your syllabus.
- Students have a grace period of 14 days from the start of class during which they can use WebAssign without purchasing access or entering in an access code. After this time, they will be locked out until they do.
- Please advise your students to NOT purchase access or enter in an access code until they are 100% certain they are staying in your class. This will reduce technical issues. If students do purchase access and then switch sections of the same course, I can transfer their access over. Have your students fill out a Student Help Request Form.

## How does online homework work?

- You are NOT responsible for writing the homework assignments. Each course has a standard set of problems that are used. I will put these assignments in your class.
- Some courses have "practice" assignments and "homework" assignments. The "practice" assignments are not for a grade and are there to assist with the actual homework assignment. They are set to 20 submissions and the correct answers are displayed after an attempt. The "homework" assignments are the only assignments that will count for a grade. Students get 3 attempts per question on each homework assignment and the correct answers are not displayed until after the due date.
- Some courses do not have practice assignments and instead give students 3 initial attempts on a problem after which the answer is displayed. If the question is still incorrect, the student can choose to try another version of the problem with another 3 attempts for a 20% penalty.
- You can change due dates for homework as you see fit. Each instructor has discretion as to when they want their homework to be due. If you need help with changing due dates, let me know.
- You can grant extensions and/or extra submissions for individual students as the need arises. Let me know if you need help doing so.