Assignments and Formula for Success:

1. **Study** the assigned chapter listed on Course Calendar in Syllabus using ebook or LearnSmart book on CONNECT (or hardcopy of textbook if purchased also)

2. Do the LearnSmart activities for the assigned chapter on CONNECT to help with optional extra-credit practice problems and required homework problems on CONNECT, as well as with exams

3. Then do the optional extra-credit chapter practice problems listed on CONNECT to help with the required homework problems and for extra credit points

4. Then do the required chapter homework problems listed on CONNECT

5. If you cannot do the work in #1, #2, #3 and #4 above quickly and accurately, review the chapter and problems until you can. And then do them again to make sure you can. You’ll need to be able to do them quickly and accurately for the timed mid-term and final exams.

6. Make notes regarding what you don’t understand

7. Consider working with a partner, but not a “copy buddy”

8. Remember that trying the problems once is only a minimal effort (not a formula for success)

9. Email questions to my email address listed above about concepts with which you have difficulty

10. Make an appointment with your instructor if you experience difficulty with the class or the textbook, remembering that this is difficult material and you cannot expect it to happen without putting in more than minimal effort. I will require you to show all your work

11. **Extra Credit Points** (from Practice Problems on CONNECT): The magic number for extra credit points is 1700. There are two ways you can benefit by earning 1700 extra credit points. When your extra credit points reach 1700, I will raise your Overall Score by 10%, which is one letter grade. This benefit will be prorated; 850 extra credit points will raise your grade 5%, etc.