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Dear Math 200 Online Students,

Welcome to our online adventure in Statistics. You are receiving this because you have signed up for Math 200, Elementary Probability and Statistics (CRN: 53219). This 6-week summer course runs from June 17 through July 25, 2013.

This course will be FAST! We are compressing a 17 week course into 6 weeks, and you are attempting this course online. You should expect to spend between 20 to 40 hours per week on this course: counting reading, homework, quizzes, other assignments, studying and taking tests.

Although this is an online course, the exams that you will take will need to be proctored. The easiest proctoring environment is through our Learning Center. However, we can make arrangements to have a different proctoring site, if needed. This will require communication and coordination, so arrangements need to be made in advanced.

This online course will be using MyMathLab (http://mymathlab.com/). You will be completing your homework via this course management system. Aside from the homework, you will be able to obtain announcements and other assignments from this site. The whole textbook can be accessed online, so you should purchase the actual text if you need to have a hardcopy of the text to read or want to keep a copy of the book at the end of the semester.

Before registering for this site, you will need a courseID (lapuz11522), a valid email address, and an access code or a credit card that you plan to use to purchase access to this site. You can buy an access code from the bookstore, along with the text, or by itself; there is also a 17 day trial period option so that you can be keep up with the course as you wait for your financial aid to come in. If you wish to register, go to the MyMathLab site and click on “Student” under the “Register” Section. Once you register, feel free to browse around. Some of the contents of the site will be explored during the orientation.

Cañada College has many services for students such as the Counseling Center (http://www.canadacollege.edu/student/counselingcenter.html) and the Disability Resource Center (http://www.canadacollege.edu/student/disabledservices.html). For other resources, go to http://www.canadacollege.edu/student/index.html.

So, are you ready for an online course? Here are a few websites to check yourself:

Cerro Coso: http://www.cerrocoso.edu/studentservices/heather/quizaccess.htm

Palomar: http://www.palomar.edu/areyouready/

Basically, if you have reliable access to the internet, are self-motivated, and can devote a good amount of time for this class, then you may be for you.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at rlapuz2@my.smccd.edu. You can also check my website at http://smccd.edu/accounts/lapuz/ for the syllabus, schedule and other details.

See you at the Orientation – June 17, 5:05-5:55pm in Room 17-105.

Ray Lapuz