Dear future math 120 online student:

Math 120 online is not an easy course to take on, expect to work at the very least an hour to an hour and a half a day, perhaps more or less for certain chapters, depending on how well you understand the material. You can expect to have a lot of written homework, which you may think is too much in the beginning, but, trust me, it is extremely helpful in getting you to understand the material and it gives you a lot of practice, so make sure to do and complete all of the homework. Be sure to keep up with all of the written homework, if you procrastinate you will have a very hard time trying to do the entire chapter of homework right before it is due. I made sure to stick to Cindy Moss’s schedule with the written homework and I suggest you try and do the same. To keep organized, create a calendar or appointment book with all of the due dates of online homework and quizzes so that you do not miss any, you can do both of these over as many times as you would like so try them early before they are do so you can keep doing them until you get 100%. This is the best part about online classes, so take advantage of the opportunity to do great on all of the online homework/quizzes. Again, DO NOT PROCRASTINATE, this course can teach you a lot and be fairly easy going if you keep up with the work, there were times I didn’t follow the written homework schedule and I struggled to get it all done, believe me, just try and keep up and you won’t stress yourself out! Just remember to stay organized and make sure you know all of the due dates for each week ahead, and if you have time to go forward with online or written homework I suggest you take it! It’s always really nice knowing you have the next week of work done! What really helped for me to study were the practice exams Cindy Moss posts on coursecompass, I would complete each question and if I got any wrong I would keep trying until I understood it all. Also make sure to watch any videos available that show you the techniques of doing a problem, and the most important study habit (as I already stated above) do ALL the written homework and then check your answers in the back of the book. If you try to just fill in the answers without doing the problems you will get no practice and won’t understand the material! It’s probably the best thing you could do. These study habits worked really well for me and when I do math 200 online next semester I will use them, there is not much I would change except for maybe begin to study for exams a few days earlier than usual and post more question on the discussion board instead of trying to figure it out myself. Future student: use the discussion board as much as possible, it is great getting your fellow students input and help with any difficulties. Good luck with your online course, and I can’t stress enough to try and keep up as much as possible, make sure not give up on the online homework and quizzes until you get 100% on each one! This will help you succeed and help your overall grade also.

Good Luck!