# Dear student,

What is expected of this class is to put time and effort into doing the online homework along with the book work due on exam days. Definitely expect for some units to be a little more challenging than others but take advantage of being able to post the questions for help and online tutoring. Some techniques and strategies I used were going to the virtual classrooms because they helped and reviewed for the exams. Another strategy included going over the practice exams provided before each test because they were based on what is going to be on it. I stayed organized by writing down the due dates of each assignment. I also had a binder specifically for the class for when I did the online homework. If i were to take this class again I would approach it differently by really understanding how much time is needed for assignments. Study habits that worked well for me as I mentioned in my strategies would really be going over the practice exams along with going and watching the virtual classrooms because the professor tells you exactly what she expects on the exams. Making a note card helped me out as well when studying. One thing I would change for myself would be to really give myself enough time to dedicate to the class. Another thing I would change would be asking more questions on the units that were more difficult for me along with realizing that the forum posts were different from the online homework. If you do the work, make the time and ask for help when needed you will succeed in this class. Another thing would be to remember that forum posts are separate from the online homework and are worth 10 points each, and those points go a long way.

#### Hello future student!

Math 200 online is a great class to take if you are an independent learner or have other priorities during the day. For me, this class is pretty straight forward; do your work on time, read notes and watch videos. All in all, expect to follow the syllabus with no surprises. A technique that worked for me was to redo the online homework questions when studying for exams. I also redid questions that were given as examples in the videos. I would watch enough of the video to read the first part of question, then paused it while I tried to do it on my own. Then I would go through the whole video and see what I did wrong/correct.

I stayed organized by adding all the due dates on my calendar with alerts. I also made sure I had all of the previous chapter's written homework done before moving on to the next chapter. If I could do it again, I would try to ask more questions instead of struggling through it like I did a few times. I would also try to give myself more time to study in the future. A study habit that worked for me was to study with a friend. I would also rewatch the chapter videos to help me study. If I had to retake this class, I would give myself more time to do the written homework and read the textbook more thoroughly.

It's very important to stay on top of upcoming assignments! Good luck!

## Dear Student,

This class is formatted very well. It is not an online class that you log into every few weeks to stay on top of course work. You need to log into MyOpenMath and stay up to date with assignments and their due dates if you want to be successful. This class takes time and effort in order to understand the coursework. Making sure that I had the course calendar easily accessible to me helped me in staying on top of when assignments were due. I printed out the calendar and knew to look at it early on to see what coursework was needed over the next two weeks in order to prioritize my coming weeks. Another thing that helped me succeed was the lecture notes. I read through the lecture notes thoroughly and then worked the example problems step by step to ensure I understood the chapter before I started the online chapter homework. I have stayed organized by making it a habit to log into MyOpenMath frequently. Even when I've completed the assignments I have logged in to make sure I haven't missed anything. I have also stayed

organized by designating certain days for homework. I always knew that Sunday evenings and Wednesday evenings were homework days. I'd get home from work, set up my computer, calculator and text book, and I'd get to work. If I had to do this course again I think I would get ahead of the reading of the textbook. I found it easy to keep up with the online posts and reading in MyOpenMath but the text is a bit dryer. I recommend getting going on the textbook reading early and stay a chapter a head if possible. I found the lecture notes incredibly helpful for studying. I would review the lecture notes for every exam and make notes of things that I was having trouble remembering while doing the unit quizzes. I also found the exam examples very helpful. I would take the example exam prior to the test and figure out what I needed to go back and review. It was super helpful! If I had to take this class again I would take more advantage of the online tutoring and the on campus tutoring. I work full-time so it's hard to get up to Skyline but I think it would have been really helpful to schedule some time with a tutor prior to an exam just to help fill in any questions I had. I'd also take more advantage of the virtual classroom sessions. My schedule didn't really allow me to participate but I found the posting of them very helpful after the fact. I think if I could rearrange my schedule I'd prioritize making it to those. All in all I felt this class flowed well and generally enjoyed working each problem. I feel like it has helped me have a deeper understanding of statistics and can use it in my work life. Best,

#### Dear student,

First and foremost, I would like to say you made a good decision in taking this class. You'll be expecting a lot of homework with due dates. But with those homework comes in plenty of useful tools, chapter notes, and YouTube videos that will be able to show you on how to do your homework. Everything has a due date, so I highly recommend to never miss one. Everything counts!

Whenever I do an assignment, I make sure to have my notes with me, my calculator, and have the YouTube videos ready just in case I forget how to solve a problem. I'm a really slow learner when it comes to math, so I need a math tutor. In order for me to have one, I go to the Learning Center and request one.

I absolutely love to be organized. One way I stay organized is by having a calendar by my side at all times with all the important due dates on it along with all the availability I have which will be used into doing my work and studying. Another way is to keep a binder by my side at ALL cost with all the chapter notes in order for me to stay organized.

If I had to retake this class, I now know how much time and dedication is needed. I know to make flash cards and what the teacher expects. She wants her students to do the work completely and not to skip any steps which is what I'm so used to.

As a student in this class, you need to start building up your study habits if you haven't already. Make sure to have time dedicated into studying and ALWAYS look back in all the notes. Do not be shy to ask your professor for help. She would be glad to help you out and make sure you understand it.

Taking this class again would be easier for me since I know what to expect. Time is definitely needed for this class along with some dedication and motivation. I know what the professor wants and I know when to ask for help when needed. All the resources is available. You just have to take advantage of it.

Remember, take advantage of all the resources and do not forget to always ask for help. Use your time wisely and do not rush into things. I'm sure you will do great as a student. This class isn't hard at all. I would say the only hard part is not being organized because it affects your status quickly. Be prompt and do not forget the most important thing of all which is that learning should be fun. So have fun while taking this class!

Welcome to the class! You might feel a little frustrated with math especially if it is not your strongest subjects, but I can tell you that if you study hard and practice, you will be okay. Math classes requires a lot of dedication and practice. You can expect to do a lot of practice because this will help you learn your materials. I advise you to not procrastinate because next thing you know everything is due and you have not even started yet. I can honestly tell you that I procrastinated on some of the work and I was very frustrated because I was trying to study for the exams and do the homework all in one day. Time management and patience is the key! Some of the things that helped me succeed this semester are reviewing practice exam questions and doing the homework ahead of time. When taking math online, it is very crucial to submit work on time or you lose points and honestly if you're not good at taking exams, doing the homework can help you boost up your grade. I tried a lot of things to organize my work for this class. At first, I tried printing the homework calendar for this class, but I eventually lost it. The second one is writing them on my planner which sometimes I forget to look at so I missed some of the homework. The third one is a charm because I finally decided to put my math class due dates on my calendar on my phone since I always look at it. I tend to set the notification to go off after class or work so that when I get out, I remember that I need to do my math homework. If I would have to take this class again, I will really have to make sure to be on top of things and finish all my work on time. I honestly think that math online is hard so make sure to dedicate a specific time to do work for this class. The study habits that worked for me was doing the exam reviews and answering them as if it is the actual test so that I would know which ones I really need to focus on. I also went through the chapter notes and did the problems step by step so that I know how to exactly do the problems with my calculator. If I have to take this class again, I would definitely be more organized and do my work at least ahead of time. I would also allocate more time to do my projects because they require a lot of analyzation. If this is your first math class after a long time of not taking it or if this is your first time taking an online math class, I highly suggest to be organized and be ahead. Do not hesitate to ask questions because they will help you understand the problems

#### Dear future student of math 200.

I, as a former student of math 200, will write to you about what to expect from this course and techniques that you need to know in order to succeed in this class. First, what to expect is a lot of homework from online and written so I recommend to do all the homework and do it the way it is supposed to be. The techniques and strategies that I used to try and succeed is using my lecture notes when doing my written homework and try and do them on time because there will be some days where one can forget. How I stayed organized is to write all my lecture notes neatly and write them in different colored pens because for myself, I am a visual learner I can understand the concept more when it is color coated, also I put all my notes in order to stay organized and prepared for an upcoming exam. If I were to approach this class again then I would come in ready to be prepared and ready to work with no stress, and no distractions. One of the study habits that helped me was writing my note card with different colored pens that I used in my lecture notes and see which chapter and equations would I need to use on my test and also try and go over my lecture notes and watch the videos as well. If I were to take this class again I would change my availability when doing my written homework right because I had two other class with homework is do the next day or in two days and plus coming home from work late would just overwhelm me and I would not try my best on it I would just rush on it and try to finish it on time and try to get a good grade. Another change is definitely try my hardest to study and do well on my tests because I tend to study really hard and when the test comes my brain would just give out and I won't remember what I studied for the past 2 days and it can be frustrating, so I would change my study habits. What I think that is important if you are thinking

about taking this class is that please do all your work and attend the virtual classrooms it would help you a lot to pass this class plus Professor Moss is a great teacher and very helpful! so ask questions, because if you don't then you are going to have a hard time to pass this class and trust me it can be hard to try and raise your grade up, so do your homework and STUDY,STUDY, STUDY!! but other than that I wish you the best of luck in this class! Good Luck!:)

- former math 200 student

#### Dear new student,

You can expect a well organized and clear cut class. There is an abundance of resources to help you learn the material and the grading is precisely laid out, there are no surprises. If you put effort in, you will succeed. My technique for working on homework would be to go over the lecture notes before even attempting any problems. The lecture notes have everything you need to know. Then, if I got stuck on a problem, I could always look back to the lecture notes for clear instructions. If somehow the lecture notes did not help me, My next strategy would be to watch one of the many videos posted that explained example problems in detail. However, the lecture notes rarely failed to help me.

It is not hard to stay organized in this class. Everything is already well laid out and organized for you, but to keep up with everything, I would check the calendar to know what the future of this class would look like. I would look forward in the class, as apposed to only looking a few days ahead. This helped me plan out which days I needed to save time to spend working on this class. This way I would not be caught off guard by any due dates I did not know about. I also planned to finish all written homework two days in advance of a test. This way the practice from the homework will still be fresh and I will have plenty of time to work through the practice exam. If I had to approach this class again, I would have studied harder. In the beginning, I underestimated the complexity of some of the material. I neglected many of the smaller aspects of concepts which resulted in me not doing as well as I would have liked. As the semester went on, I learned from my mistakes. I started studying much harder. My first strategy would be to look back at lecture notes to make sure I had every little thing down. The lecture notes laid everything out clearly. Questions need to be answered on the test like they are in the lecture notes, so they are incredibly useful. My second study technique was going over the practice tests in the days before tests. The practice tests were just like the real ones. They helped me get an idea of what the actual test would look like. If I could easily answer the problems on the practice test, I knew I was ready for the exam.

If I had to take this class again, I would have studied harder, especially in the first half of the semester. I did not put nearly as much effort in it as I should have. I thought I knew the concepts well enough, but I did not know all of the smaller details about them. Because of this, I spent the second half of the semester dragging my grade back up. If I had gone over the practice exams more carefully for the first couple exams, I would have made the second half of the semester much easier for me. practice exams were incredibly useful. I wish I realized that at the beginning of the semester. I also I would also have been more careful with due dates. In the beginning of the semester, I missed a couple due dates because I was not careful enough. I should have put the course schedule in my phone's calendar so I would not forget to do anything.

Overall, this was a great class. Everything was clearly explained and well laid out. There are so many resources to help students succeed, I knew I was going to. There is no guess work and everything is upfront and easy to understand. Work hard and you will succeed. Sincerely,

Dear new student,

Hello! I have taken Elementary Probability and Statistics with professor Moss this last semester. Well, just to give you a bit of information regarding the subject, it is very motivating as well as challenging. I learned new and exciting things that Statistics is applicable for. I never have realized that this subject can be employed in everyday life. I watched several videos and film; one of which I would not forget is, Donald in Mathmagic Land, an animated movie about how Mathematics began.

As a new student, you will expect that this is not an easy A class. Well, this is Math of course. It requires perseverance, a lot of effort, and time needs to be well incorporated in your study habits. Some of the techniques and strategies that can be exercise are checking you daily e-mails and going online everyday. Homeworks should be done ahead of time. Be mindful and read carefully the instructions given by the professor, as she is really good in keeping it concise and comprehendible. Read each lecture notes and videos twice if possible. Do as many sample problems to get use to it. Staying organize is the key; by managing homework, forum questions, projects and extra credits promptly. Make sure you keep your homeworks, quizzes, and exams in place so you can go back to it for review. I would also suggest keeping some formulas written or saved handy just in case, as this helped me a lot. Always remember basic information, from the videos and written lectures to be utilized in the following chapters and exams.

I am a full-time working student and also have a family. Time is so necessary in my fast-paced lifestyle. If given a chance to do it all again, I would lessen my workload so I can manage my time efficiently. Rest is also an essential component to being a successful learner, as the brain can gather more information if a person is well rested. Finally, as an advice, cramming and procrastination is a big "No," to this type of subject, since this will lead to a more stressful life and career in the future. Good luck.

#### Dear Student,

Taking a math course online is very difficult and stressful at times, especially MATH 200. There will be a lot of things you must think of when taking an online class like if you are able to teach yourself the chapters and formulas, if you can keep yourself organized and on top of your work, and do you know what to do if you need help? Well if you answered "no" to any of those questions I will be giving you some advice and hints on how to do better in this course. First off, some things you should expect from this course are that the course can be extremely difficult since it is an online course, and that for exams you must show up in person to take your exams at school. However, do not worry the professor provides a lot of resources for you if you need help. The professor provides chapter notes, and virtual classroom sessions for you at ask questions if you need help on anything. Some techniques and strategies that I used that helped me succeed were going to the learning center for help whenever I got stuck on problems, and doing the practice exams that the professor would post before midterms. Some easy ways to stay organized and up to date with all of your work would be to keep checking the calendar for when things are due and to just keep doing the online chapter homework whenever you have some extra time so you can be slightly ahead on your work. If I had to do this course again I would like to try to stay organize and on top of all my work for the whole semester instead of just half of it because during the middle of the semester I started to procrastinate a lot which cause my grade to drop. Do not procrastinate, your grade will pay the price. Some ways that I used to study that worked were to reread the chapter notes, constantly doing practice problems to get used to the questions and to also take the practice exams that the professor posts. The professor also posts an answer key for the practice exams so after you attempt them you will be able to see how well you did. Some changes I would make if I had to take this class again would be attending the virtual classroom sessions, do more practice questions and to create a notecard for if I get stuck on tests, even though using a notecard will minus 2% off you final test grade it could help a lot. If you are worried about how you will do in this course, don't worry you will be fine. Just use all the resources that are provided to you. Don't procrastinate, read the chapter notes, keep doing practice problems and exams, and to always ask for help whenever you get stuck or have a problem. You got this! Don't worry.

## Dear future student,

Statistic two hundred class is quite rigorous, but enjoyable if you stay focused. You are expected to be independent in your comprehensive approach and be open-minded. This class will having the feeling of a never-ending work mill. Your effectiveness to learn will be tested each week with class assignments. The success I've accomplished was developed from many aspects. Firstly, its very vital to do written and online homework. This helps to understand and test your ability regarding class material. Secondly, study everyday and utilize practice test to prepare for exams. These habits increases your chances for success. Your organizational skills is also critical to learning effectively. In my regards, i would organize my written homework in a binder and complete them early. This provided easy access to give to the professor, while feeling fulfilled, due to early completion. I also completed all my assignments on time, and made notes on each section in a separate folder. This made it easy to review before exams.

If I had to re-take this class, i would have a stronger mentality but stay more relaxed. If you put to much pressure on yourself, it causes high level stress, which can affect your quality of work. Being more relaxed/comfortable would allow me to think clearly and be effective. I can work more confidently on my class assignments. Study habits are important to your success. I would look at you tube videos to have a better understanding of class notes. I would also re-read class notes, practice exams and homework at-least three time. This would help me to have a better grasp of the information. There were times, I would try to teach my friends, how to do the statistic work that we had due. The idea behind this strategy, was that if I can teach the material, then I know that it's well understood in my brain.

The changes I would incorporate into taking this class again would be minor. I would try to study for exams at least a week and a half in advance. I would try to watch the virtual classroom more often. Also, I would do my homework at least two weeks earlier, so I can have more study time. A special advice, I would offer for a new student, would be to accept tutoring opportunity. This can help you to comprehend the material better. I would also recommend being confident in learning and don't be afraid to ask the professor for help.

Yours truly,

A past student

## Dear Future Statistics Student,

This class is no joke. The difficulty is definitely high. However, make the most of this class because it will help benefit you in many ways. Remember to do all the online and written homework assignments and do not forget to do those forum posts. Some techniques you should implement are watching the videos included in each chapter as they help a lot with showing examples of the problems. Another technique would be to take advantage of the tutoring that is available to you on campus. Sometimes you might not understand a problem online, so having a person to explain it to you in person could be very beneficial. Staying organized and up to date is very important. Two ways to do this is to constantly check your emails. Professor Moss will send you emails keeping you updated. If I had to retake this class again, I would take advantage of the forum posts more. I would have asked more questions instead of trying to figure things out myself. Study habits that worked for me was reviewing the notes, watching the videos, and looking over the written homework questions. Changes I would make if I had to take this class

once again would be staying more updated on upcoming assignments and forum posts. Also, I would take advantage of the virtual classroom that is available. Remember to always check your email. Ask questions instead of trying to figure it out yourself, because it might not just be you who has a question on that problem. Take these tips and use them, it will help you out a lot.

# Dear Future Math 200 Online Student,

Math 200 online is a really interesting class, and provides you with a great foundation for statistics. However, because it is online it poses many challenges. In order to do well this class, you have to stay organized. I wrote down all of the dates every online homework was due because they're really easy to forget and are a big percentage of your grade. Sometimes the online homework questions can be hard, so don't leave yourself an hour before the assignment is due to start the homework. Also, something that was really helpful for me was to watch all of the example problem videos Professor Moss posts, they are really straightforward, and they're the same types of problems that you will see on the exam. Also to stay organized, do the written homework over the course of the unit, do not wait until the day before the exam because the homework is also quite difficult and takes a long time to complete. However, this class isn't impossible, if you stay focused and don't fall behind, Professor Moss does a great job of making sure students are informed of all concepts and formulas.

If I had to take this class again, I would definitely attend the live virtual classrooms instead of watching them after they have already been recorded. If I would have attended the virtual classrooms, I could have asked Professor Moss questions or concepts that I was confused about, rather than spending hours trying to figure them out myself, or just remaining stumped on exam day. I would also start each units written homework sets earlier so that I would not feel overwhelmed the day before I had to turn them in.

Two study habits that worked well for me was redoing the online homework again, and taking the practice exams. The online homework is a great way to practice problems before the exam, and they give the answers. In addition, I cannot stress enough how helpful and important the practice exams are. Each unit has a practice exam with an answer key. The problems on the practice exam are very similar to those on the actual test, so doing the practice exam beforehand is very strategic if you want an A.

The one big study habit and resource that I should have used more and did not use enough was the forum. As you will see in the distant future, The forum is a place where students can post their questions, and other students can help to answer them. Professor Moss does a great job of making sure every question is answered in a timely manner, and she even helps students with problems by walking them through each step, instead of just easily handing over the answer. I wish I would have posted more on the forum when I was confused about questions. Lastly, I also wish that I spent more time on the projects. Although they are hard, they are achievable and it also gives great examples of why statistics is so important and the larger role it plays in society, making the projects interesting! However, if you do poorly on the projects, it will take a big hit on your grade, so I advise you to spend a lot of time on them.

Lastly, don't be afraid to use all of the resources that Professor Moss has created to help you succeed in this class. You're going to need them!

Good luck!