

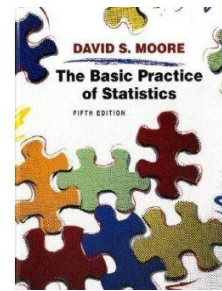
# Attention—All Students Taking Math!

## *Important Textbook Information*

Spring, 2012

If you will be taking **MT 122, MT 134, MT 135, MT 136, MT 167 or MT 228** in the spring, please carefully read the important information below.

**MT 122 Elementary Statistics:** The text for the course is *The Basic Practice of Statistics*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed., by David S. Moore (W.H. Freeman and Company). In addition to this text, **some sections of the course will also require access to the electronic system StatsPortal**. (Check with your instructor to see if your section requires StatsPortal.) In addition to providing for electronic submission and grading of homework, StatsPortal provides a complete electronic copy of the text, so if you feel very comfortable doing all of your reading and studying on a computer, then you may decide not to purchase a physical book.



Students in sections of MT 122 that do not *require* StatsPortal may also choose to use the online eBook contained in StatsPortal, rather than a physical book. You should weigh the advantages and disadvantages of both systems before making your purchase decision.

The JCU Bookstore sells both the physical book and StatsPortal access. StatsPortal may also be purchased directly from the publisher, at <http://courses.bfwpub.com/bps5e.php>, at a cost of about \$80 (slightly less than the JCU Bookstore price).

**MT 134, 135, 136 Calculus I and II:** These courses use the same required text. All sections also require you to have access to the electronic homework system *WebAssign*. New copies of the text sold in the JCU Bookstore are bundled with a card that allows you to register for WebAssign. If you purchase a new or used copy of the text through another source, it is not likely to include this access card, and you would have to purchase the access separately, at an additional cost (between \$47 and \$110, depending on options chosen\*). If you wish to purchase your book from a company other than the JCU Bookstore, the book to buy is *Single Variable Calculus: Concepts and Contexts*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., by James Stewart (Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning). You may then purchase WebAssign access from [www.webassign.com](http://www.webassign.com). (Note that if you took MT 133 or MT 135 in Fall, 2011, then you already own this book.)



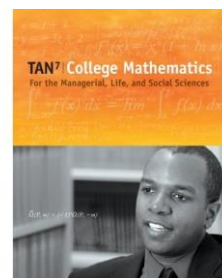
\*The cost of WebAssign access for MT 134, 135 and 136, when purchased from [www.webassign.com](http://www.webassign.com), is as follows:

- \$47: 1-semester access to homework only
- \$75: 1-semester access to homework and e-book
- \$65: multiterm access to homework only
- \$110: multiterm access to homework and e-book

If you are likely to take more than one semester of calculus, then buying multiterm access may be to your advantage. If you wish to minimize your text costs, and if you feel very comfortable doing all of your reading and studying on a computer screen, then you may not need to buy a physical book, since the e-book is an exact electronic version of the physical book. However, there are many advantages to owning a physical copy of the book, so please consider this carefully before opting to use the e-book exclusively.

**If you purchased multi-term access to WebAssign for MT 133 or MT 135 in Fall, 2011, then you do not need to purchase WebAssign again.** If, however, you purchased only one-semester access in the fall, then you will need to purchase it again for the spring.

**MT 167 The Mathematics of Change and Chance:** The text for this course is *College Mathematics for the Managerial, Life and Social Sciences*, 7<sup>th</sup> ed., by S. T. Tan (Thomson Brooks/Cole). Also required for the course is the electronic homework system *WebAssign*. The book may be purchased from the JCU Bookstore either in print format or as an eBook rental. In the JCU Bookstore the print format book is sold bundled with a WebAssign access card, but if you choose to rent an eBook or purchase the book in any non-bundled form, you will need to purchase WebAssign access separately, either from the JCU Bookstore, or from [www.webassign.com](http://www.webassign.com).



An alternative to this text is a custom-published book that includes the relevant chapters from the book mentioned above, along with additional material covered in the course. The custom-published book may not be available in the JCU Bookstore, but you may find used copies for sale by other students. (This is a paperback book, marked “Special 7<sup>th</sup> edition.”)

**MT 228 Statistics for the Biological Sciences:** The text for this course is *The Practice of Statistics in the Life Sciences*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., by Baldi and Moore (Freeman). We suggest that you purchase a physical book rather than an eBook rental, so you can use the book in later years as a reference.

