



Getting Started Guide for Students

Preparing to study with MyMathLab

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Welcome to MyMathLab in CourseCompass. You can use MyMathLab to do your homework and tests online, and you can take advantage of tutorial learning aids (such as step-by-step examples, animations, and videos) when you practice. MyMathLab is designed to help you succeed in your math course.

This guide will help you register for CourseCompass and log into your MyMathLab course. At any time during the process you can click the help icon (🔍) on a page to get detailed information on using that page.

Before you begin

Before you try to register for MyMathLab, be sure you have:

- A valid **e-mail address**
- The MyMathLab **Course ID** from your instructor. The Course ID includes your instructor's last name and some numbers. ~~For example:~~
~~instructor04298~~ **scott32152**
- A **student access code**, which should have come packaged with your textbook. For example:
MMLST-TAROK-THOLE-PICON-SHRIK-PRAWN

If you do not have a student access code, you can purchase access when you register.

If you are using a computer off campus (at home or work), you need “administrator rights” to your computer so you can install software. You also need to be connected to the internet to work in MyMathLab. *(If you're not sure your computer meets the system requirements, go to www.mymathlab.com/system.html, visit the MyMathLab Browser Check in your course, or contact Customer Technical Support at 1-800-677-6337).*

If you are using a computer on campus, the MyMathLab software is probably already installed. If you aren't sure, check with the lab administrator or your instructor.

Registering for your course

To register for your course in CourseCompass:

1. Open your web browser.

You can use Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Safari on either a PC or Macintosh. *If you normally use AOL to connect to the Internet, you need to minimize the AOL browser and then open IE, Firefox, or Safari.*

2. Go to www.coursecompass.com.
3. Click the **Register** button for students.



4. If you are registering for a new course, select **Get access to a new course**.

Before You Start

What would you like to do?

I would like to:

Get access to a new course.

Continue a course, re-take a course, or switch to a different course section.

Then click **Next** at the bottom of the page.

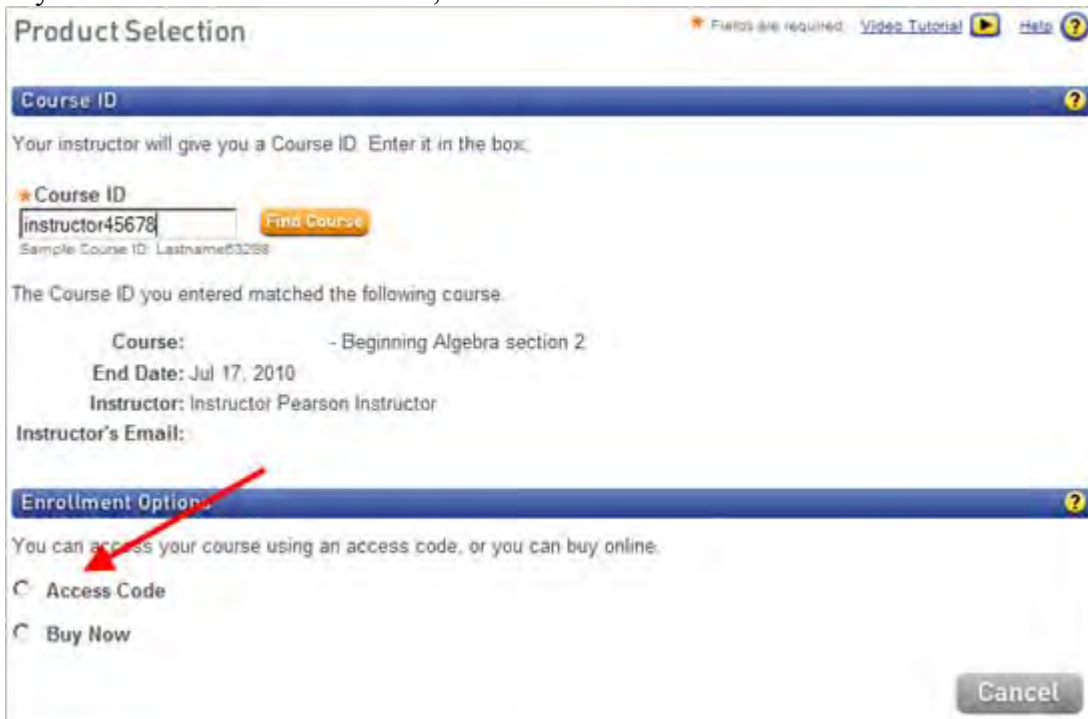
5. On the Product Selection page, enter the **course ID** your instructor gave you and click **Find Course**.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Product Selection". At the top, there is a blue header bar with the text "Course ID". Below this, a message reads: "Your instructor will give you a Course ID. Enter it in the box." There is a red asterisk next to the text "Course ID". Below that is a text input field containing "instructor04298" and a yellow "Find Course" button. A sample text "Sample Course ID: Lastname83298" is visible below the input field.

Your course information will appear. *Make sure that your course information is correct. If not, make sure that you entered the Course ID correctly. Contact your instructor if your Course ID is incorrect, or if you do not have a Course ID.*

6. If you have a student access code, select **Access Code**.



The screenshot shows the "Product Selection" page with the "Course ID" field filled with "instructor45678" and the "Find Course" button. Below the input field, the text reads: "The Course ID you entered matched the following course." The course details are: "Course: - Beginning Algebra section 2", "End Date: Jul 17, 2010", and "Instructor: Instructor Pearson Instructor". Below this, there is a section titled "Enrollment Options" with a red arrow pointing to it. The text says: "You can access your course using an access code, or you can buy online." There are two radio buttons: "Access Code" (which is selected) and "Buy Now". A "Cancel" button is located at the bottom right.

If not, select **Buy Now** to purchase access to your course with a credit card and then follow the on-screen instructions.

7. Type your access code in the boxes. You can use either all uppercase or all lowercase letters.

Enrollment Options

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Access Code

*** Enter Your Access Code**

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[Switch to a single box for pasting your access code](#)

Buy Now

Click **Next** at the bottom of the page after you have entered your code.

8. Review the License Agreement and Privacy Policy and then click **I Accept**.
9. On the Access Information Screen, you are asked whether you already have a Pearson Education Account.

PEARSON Steps to Register

Access Information Account Information Confirmation & Summary

Access Information * Fields are required [Video Tutorial](#) [Help](#)

Do you have a Pearson Education account?

Yes

No

Not Sure

If you have used other Pearson online courses, you may already have a login name and password. Select **Yes** to enter your login information.

Yes

*** Login Name**

*** Password**

[Forgot your Login Name or Password?](#)

If you have never registered for a Pearson online product, select **No**. Under **Create a Login Name**, enter your email address. If you do not want to use your email address, follow the guidelines for creating a login name. Under **Create a Password**, enter a password following the guidelines on the page. Be sure to write down your password.

No

*** Create a Login Name**

 Create a Login Name and Password that are easy to remember when you log in.
 It is recommended that you use your email address. It must be at least four characters. [See acceptable characters.](#)

*** Create a Password**
 Strength: Great
 Create a password with at least eight characters containing at least one number and letter. [See acceptable characters.](#)
 Your password cannot be the same as your login name.

*** Re-type Your Password**

If you aren't sure whether you have a Pearson account, select **Not Sure**. Enter your email address and click **Search**. If you have an account, your login information will be sent to your email address within a few moments. You can then change your selection to **Yes**, and enter your login name and password.

Not Sure

Enter your email address, and we will check whether you already have an account

Email Address

We found you! Login information has been sent to the email address someone@somewhere.com.

- If you previously registered for a Pearson online course, your account information is already filled in on the Account Information page. Otherwise, enter the information in the boxes.

In the School Location section, select **United States** from the School Country drop-down menu. Enter your **school** zip code, and then select your school from the drop-down list.

If your school is not listed, scroll to the bottom of the drop-down list and select **Other**. Then enter your school name and city and select the state.

School Location

*** School Country**

*** School Zip or Postal Code**

[Need help finding your school's Zip or Postal code?](#)

*** School Name**

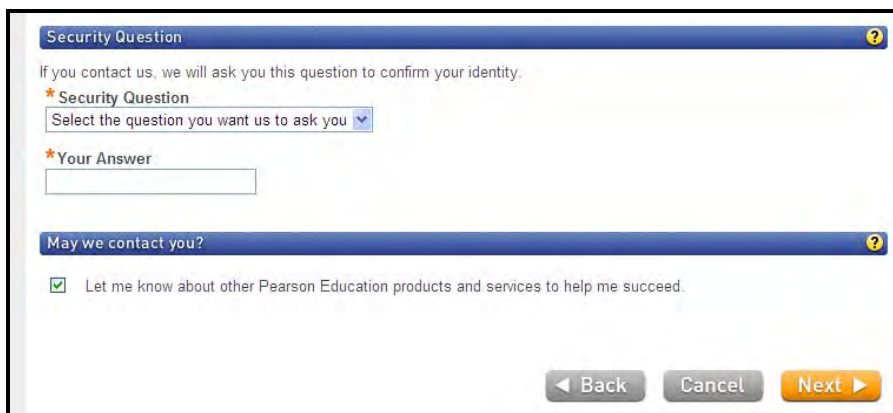
Select the name of your school from the list. If your school is not listed,

*** Other School Name**

*** School City**

*** School State**

11. Select a security question and answer to ensure the privacy of your account. Click **Next**.



The screenshot shows a registration window titled "Security Question". It contains the following elements:

- A header bar with the title "Security Question" and a help icon.
- Text: "If you contact us, we will ask you this question to confirm your identity."
- A section labeled "* Security Question" with a dropdown menu containing the text "Select the question you want us to ask you".
- A section labeled "* Your Answer" with an empty text input field.
- A second header bar with the title "May we contact you?" and a help icon.
- A checkbox that is checked, with the text "Let me know about other Pearson Education products and services to help me succeed."
- At the bottom, three buttons: "Back" (with a left arrow), "Cancel", and "Next" (with a right arrow).

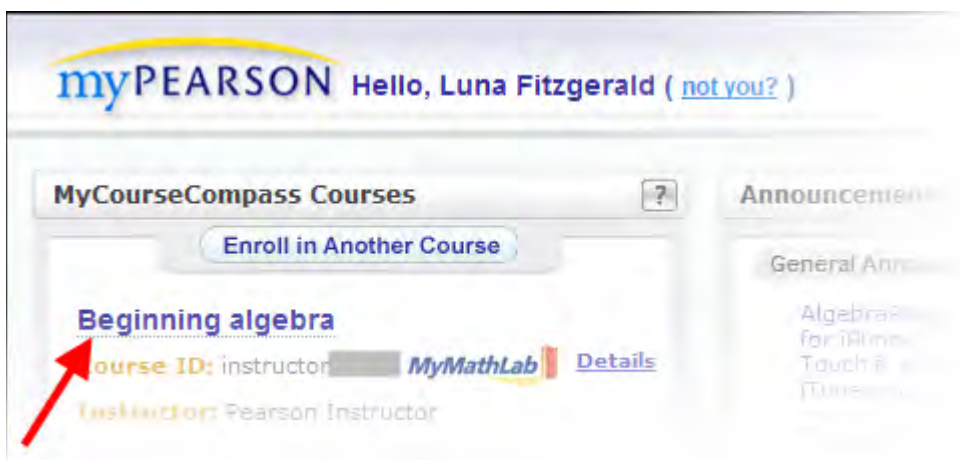
12. When your registration process is complete you will see a confirmation screen.

Congratulations – You have successfully registered for your MyMathLab course!

You can print the Confirmation & Summary page for your records. Be sure to keep the email confirmation sent to you.

13. Click **Log in Now** to reach your MyPearson page.

14. You will see your MyMathLab course title in the **My CourseCompass Courses** box on the left. Click your course title to begin exploring MyMathLab.



Using your course

Before you start working in your course, read the announcements on your course home page:



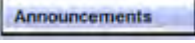
- If you are using your own computer, be sure to click the **MyMathLab Browser Check** or **MyMathLab Installation Wizard** link in your course announcements the first time you enter your course. This link runs the Browser Check, which makes sure that you have the components you need to do online homework and tests.

- Click **How to Enter Answers Using the MathXL Player** link to watch a tour that shows you how to enter answers when you do assignments online.

The screenshot shows a course page for 'Beginning Algebra' by Tobey I Slater, 7th Edition. At the top, there are navigation links: COURSE > BEGINNING ALGEBRA SECTION 2 > ANNOUNCEMENTS. Below this is a banner with the Pearson Prentice Hall MyMathLab logo and the course title 'Beginning Algebra SEVENTH EDITION'. There are four buttons: VIEW TODAY, VIEW LAST 7 DAYS, VIEW LAST 30 DAYS, and VIEW ALL. The date range is 'October 13, 2009 - October 20, 2009'. Two announcements are listed:

- Tue, Feb 03, 2009 -- Welcome to MyMathLab for Beginning Algebra, 7th Edition, by Tobey/Slater!** The first step is to run the **MyMathLab Browser Check**. The browser check walks you through installing the plug-ins and players you need to access the multimedia content in your course. Please contact **Product Support** if you need assistance. Posted by Blackboard Administrator.
- Mon, Dec 01, 2008 -- Take a tour!** Work through **orientation exercises** to learn how to enter answers, use the math palette, and work with the graphing tools in the MyMathLab exercise window. The **How to Enter Answers Using the MathXL Player** tour provides additional guidance on working in the exercise window. Posted by Blackboard Administrator.

To work in your course, use the buttons on the left of your course home page. Your instructor can modify the names of these buttons, but they will look something like this:

- Click  to work on a homework assignment.
- Click  to see your results on assignments and review your work.
- Click  to return to your course home page.

Returning to your course

To log in to your course again, go to www.coursecompass.com to return to your course. Be sure to bookmark this page because you will always come here to enter your course.

To return to your course:

1. Under Returning Users, click LOG IN:



2. On the Log In page, enter the user name and password you created when you registered and click LOG IN.



Log In To CourseCompass

Registered users, log in below.
If you are a new user, return to the [home page](#) of this website and click the Register button appropriate for your role (student or educator).

Login Name:

Password:

LOG IN

You return to the MyPearson page.

3. Click the name of your course to go to your course home page.

Getting more help

If you need help using MyMathLab, you have many options:

- To get help on a page you are using, click the help icon (🔍) at the top right of the page.
- To get general help on MyMathLab, go to www.mymathlab.com. This website has many useful pages where you can watch tours to learn more about using MyMathLab.
- To get support, go to the Training & Support page on www.mymathlab.com. You can search the 24/7 Customer Technical Support database, chat live to Customer Technical Support agents, or call for help.