

**College of the Canyons ~ Math 140**  
**Directions for Students to Access the online OLI Textbook**

*On the first day of class, you will get access to the book. The book is an online statistics book called "Concepts in Statistics" through Carnegie Mellon and Stanford Universities. While many people may prefer a hard copy book, there are many advantages to having an online statistics book. Think of it this way. In a regular Statistics book it may take 4 or 5 pages of reading to explain a difficult concept. Our OLI book can teach you the same concept quickly and efficiently with an interactive video.*

**Follow the following directions to access the book:**

1. Go to the Open Learning Initiative (OLI) website: <http://oli.cmu.edu>
2. Click the "Sign Up" link on the top right corner.
3. Complete all of the fields in the **Student Signup** box on the right side of the screen. Your email address is usually the same as your account number. You will need to choose a password. Make sure you write down your account number and password, as you will need these to access the book.
4. Now click the **Signup** button.
5. On the **Confirm Your Account Information** page, review the account information you entered. If you wish to make any changes, click the **Edit Account** button. If everything is correct, click the **Confirm Account** button. **Important Note: the only account setting that can't be changed after you confirm your account is your Account ID.**
6. Read the statements in the **Online Consent Form**. As you have already agreed to participate in the study, to be consistent, please select "I Agree." Selecting "I Do Not Agree" will not allow your data to be included in the study. Then select "Submit".
7. On the first day of class, your teacher will give you the **course key**. This is a code to access the book and sign into your teacher's roster. Remember, the OLI book is self-grading, so you need to be registered with the correct **course key** so that your grades go to your teacher. In the **Register** section, enter the course key your teacher gave you and click the **Register** button.
8. You will be presented with your OLI "My Courses" home page. Under "My Courses" you will see your registered course. You can double-check to make sure the correct course appears by confirming that the correct instructor is listed.
9. Prior to using the book for the first time, or any time you use a new computer to access the course, please select the "**Test and configure my system**" link. On the Test and configure page you can run an automated test and read instructions that will assist you in installing the required software (updated Flash Player, etc.) and configuring your computer to use the online book. All computers are COC are already set up to run the book.
10. Finally, click on "**Enter Course**".
11. As you read through the book you will see lots of activities called "learn by doing" and videos explaining key concepts in Statistics. If you see fields that are all dark, your computer may be blocking the graph. Just right click and then select "Allow and Remember". That should fix the problem.

Now that you have an ID and are registered in the course, you can access your OLI My Courses homepage and enter your course by going to <http://oli.cmu.edu> at any time and entering your OLI account ID and OLI password in the Non-Carnegie Mellon Users sign in section.

If you have technical problems, click the Help link at the top of any page or send questions to:

**[oli-help@lists.andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:oli-help@lists.andrew.cmu.edu)**