HOW TO USE OWL – Chem 111 Edition

Logging On
- Open a web browser.
- Go to
http://people.chem.umass.edu/cmartin/Courses/GenChem
- Click on "OWL" in the top line menu.
- You should be on the **OWL User Login** page.
- Enter your Login and Password
- Click on the **LOG IN** button. (You may have to scroll down the page.)
- If you see the **Invalid Login** page, read login information and then **TRY AGAIN.**
- If you continue to have problems, click on **REPORT IT**, and follow the directions.

First Time Information
- Carefully read the **Welcome** page, then click **CONTINUE.**
- Enter or correct your email and phone so that you can be contacted if necessary.
- Click CONTINUE.

Working on Your Assignments
- On the **Course Menu** page check that you are rostered in Chem 111. If it is *incorrect*, click **Add/Switch Class** to the left and follow the directions.
- Click on the underlined name (i.e. link) for our course.
- Please read **Course Notes** and then press the **View Assignments** button.
- Click on the link of the name of the *assignment* on which you want to work. It is important to do the tutorial first to learn to how to enter answers, including special formatting, correctly.
- Click on the link for the *unit* on which you want to work.
- If there is content material to read, follow the directions given.
- Press **Next Item** at the left to go on.
- When you get to a question, type in your answer(s), and then click **CHECK ANSWER.**
- Usually, your score, the correct answer(s), and feedback will be shown. (You may have to scroll down the page.)
- If you *did not* get the problem right, you may click **Redo Question** to the left (*if available*) to

try the problem again. Otherwise you can try again during another attempt of the unit.
- When you are ready to move on to another question, either:
  - choose a question number link from the status bar at the top of the page,
  - or click **Previous Item** or **Next Item** to the left,
- Click **Unit Menu** to the left to return to the complete unit list.
- When you are done working, click **Assignments** and check your current grade.
- Click the **Logout** button on the left side of the page to exit the OWL system.

Miscellaneous
- You can go to other assignment views by clicking on **Current Assignments**, **Past Due Assignments**, or **Assignment Folders** from the top of any assignment list page.
- Click **Course Grades** to view grades done outside of OWL.
- Click **Course Notes** to see instructor announcements.
- Click **Appendix** to view helpful information.
- Click **Units of Measure** to see the acceptable units of measurement and their abbreviations.
- Click **User Info** to **change your email** and phone information.
- Click **Clicker Registration** to enter your PRS clicker number.
- Click **Help** for the User's Manual including the online tutorial, Browsing for Beginners.
- Click **Send Message** to report a problem or ask a question.
- Click View Messages to see the messages you've sent and any available responses.

Tips
- C_2_H_6_ yields C_2H_6 - Click preview to check your formatting before submitting your answer.
- Fe^3+^ yields Fe^{3+} - As always, click preview to check your formatting.
- Optional assignments are there for your practice. They are indeed *optional*, but will most certainly help you master the material.

- Once you have passed an assignment it is permanently passed. For practice before an exam, go back and work previously passed assignments – no penalties!