Mastering Chemistry
Most of the homework in this course will be delivered electronically through the companion site, Mastering Chemistry, associated with your textbook. If you used Mastering Chemistry within the last two years you will not have to purchase access – you should still have it. If you bought the textbook as a part of a package, you likely have an access code required to register with Mastering Chemistry. If you bought the textbook individually, you may not have the access code and will have to purchase one by following the directions in the next paragraph for registering. The cost is $50 and access lasts for two years.

If you already have access to Mastering Chemistry, login to your account. Register for this course MCCHEM1474SP11 using the same process you have used previously.

If you do not have access to Mastering Chemistry, to register for this course, go to http://www.masteringchemistry.com and click the button entitled “New Student”. Follow the instructions you find there. The course ID for this course is MCCHEM1474SP11. As you register, don’t forget your username and password.

If you would like access to Mastering Chemistry assignments from one of my previous CHEM 1364 (General Chemistry I) courses for review purposes, also register for the course CHEM1364DAYSP10. This is not mandatory, simply an option. No grades are recorded from that course.

Blackboard
The classroom management system “Blackboard” will be used to provide announcements, backup copies of handouts, copies of old quizzes and tests, virtual office hours and to keep an up-to-date grade book. You may get to Blackboard by either going to http://blackboard.cameron.edu or going to the Cameron home page at http://www.cameron.edu and pushing the Blackboard button under the picture. Your login in to Blackboard is your username (first name initial, last name initial, 6-digit Cameron ID) and your password (your first name initial, last name initial, last five digits of social security number). The course should show up under the My Summary tab.

Virtual office hours allow us to communicate through Blackboard at specified times. I had issues with these working well last semester but will try again this semester. I envision these to be opportunities for you to ask questions, me to provide help, etc. To access the virtual office hours, go into the course in Blackboard, choose Collaboration from the menu in the upper left, and click on the appropriate session. I will name the sessions by date and time and will also record them so those not able to take part may view the sessions later. The virtual office hours for this class are tentatively set from 11:00 – 12:00 on Mondays and 10:00 – 11:00 on Wednesdays. We may move these times around depending on your availability and interest in this approach.