

# Increasing student engagement with MyLab Statistics

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## Course information

We used MyLab Statistics in our first-year Statistics course. It was the first time I taught this course in English, and I thought this product could help me focus more on my teaching performance and to explain the teaching material more effectively.

## Why MyLab Statistics?

I wanted to engage more students with the course. I like that there are already pre-built questions in MyLab and it's not necessary to create my own.

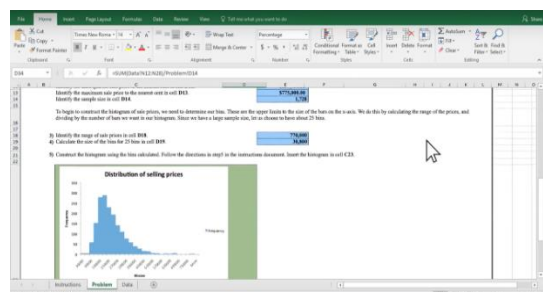
I also wanted to be more efficient and give students the possibility to learn and practice at home.

It was my first time using the MyLab platform, however I received excellent support from our local Pearson team.

## Credit, Integrate, Communicate

MyLab Statistics gave me the opportunity to award students up to 20% of their grade by completing tests and up to 10% of their grade by doing homework.

During the first class we called their attention to this and explained how completing tests and homework will help them better understand Statistics. We demonstrated that besides doing tests and homework, they could also use MyLab to access reading materials and follow a study plan. We further added the instructions to our LMS to remind them.



*“My aim with MyLab Statistics was to be more efficient and to give students the possibility to learn and practice at home.”*

*Jelena Dorčić, Senior Assistant*



### **Student engagement**

The students worked on the MyLab Statistics platform outside of class completing assignments due before our lectures.

Our students were not used to frequent assignments - they typically only studied before exams.

Therefore, I was initially disappointed to see that some didn't understand the importance of using MyLab.

However, later in the course, they realised that using MyLab for regular homework, quizzes, tests, and the study plan, actually helped them prepare better for exams and started to work more.

### **Support**

The customer support for this resource was excellent. On the first day of class, our local Pearson contact Marina Mudrenović explained in person how the students could log in. She also showed them the most useful features and ways they could use the product.

### **Conclusion**

I am convinced now that by using Study Plan, student engagement can increase. If we continue to use MyLab® Statistics, I will consider including the Study Plan as part of the assessment contributing towards the students' final grade.

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