

ALEKS - Getting Started

Print out these directions for reference. You will need a credit card to purchase the ALEKS license on line.

Ensure that you have **at least** one hour to complete the process. You will be required to take the initial assessment. Have notebook paper handy. If you do not complete the assessment in a timely fashion, the computer will assume you do not know how to do the problems and may start you at a lower level than you need.

Here is how you purchase your license and get started with the course:

- Go to the ALEKS website at http://www.aleks.com/sign_up/mhhe
- Enter your 10-digit course code.
- Confirm your course, instructor, and school and then hit continue.
- You will be asked for your access code. This is what you need to purchase. Click on 'purchase access code on-line.'
- You want the Higher-Ed short (6 weeks) license for about \$39 or however long you want to have the license for.
- Enter your e-mail address and click submit.
- Create your account and click continue (remember your school is San Diego Mesa College).
- Fill in your payment information and place your order.
- Click on the big green statement that says 'Go to ALEKS now.'
- You will see your access code. Write this down somewhere. Click 'continue sign up.'
- Fill out the ALEKS information page.
- You will be given a username and password. You will not be able to change your username (so write it down) but you can change your password if you wish. This username and password will be your ALEKS log-in and you will need to log-in every time you enter the ALEKS program.
- Keep pressing continue until the plug-in downloads and the tutorial comes up. You will work through the tutorial and assessment to see where you stand in the course.
- At the completion of the assessment, ALEKS will show you a pie representing the topics you know and what you still need to complete. By placing the cursor over a section, you can select the topic you wish to review.
- You are ready to work on the class. Have fun and learn!!!!