**MATE 110**

**Assignment 1 – Due Wednesday, 10/1/14**

1. **MATE 110 Pre-Survey**

If you haven’t already, please take the pre-survey that is in our PolyLearn site. Thanks!

1. ***My Academic Self-Assessment*** – Please take this survey online, and then print out the results after answering the reflection-type questions at the end and turn in. *http://college.cengage.com/downing\_assessment/jsp/questions1-8.jsp?customizer=pre*

Remember to answer the questions at the end! We will do a follow-up to your self-assessment plan at the end of the quarter.

2. ***My Experiences with School*** – Please write a reflection about your previous experiences with school, your perceptions of yourself as a learner, what you’ve enjoyed and struggled with, and any out of school factors that may be impacting your learning. Your write up will help me get to know you better to assist your learning. Thanks for your honesty!

Here are some other things you might address:

* Describe the most interesting activity you’ve done in a class.
* Describe your most challenging class.
* What do you typically do if you don’t understand something in class?
* What do you think are your greatest challenges or obstacles to learning?
* What motivates you to do your schoolwork?
* What do you think makes a “good” teacher?
* What do you do with the feedback you get from assignments or exams?
* What is your greatest concern/worry about this class or for this quarter?
* Outside of school, who do you think believes in you and supports you the most?
* Tell me about something that’s been hard for you in your life.
* Tell me something you feel proud of.
* Tell me something you love doing that has nothing to do with school.
* What is your favorite thing to do on weekends?
* What is something you’d like to know about me?
* What else can you tell me that would help me be a better teacher to you?

3. ***My Questions about the Materials Engineering Program at Cal Poly, SLO and possible Careers***

(Your responses will help me figure out what to plan for in our class!)

1. What questions might you have about the MATE department? What is important for you to know or do to help you decide if MATE is the right major and field for you?
2. What questions do you have about future career possibilities in Materials Engineering?