AutoLab

AutoLab is the software that you will use to submit your programs. The URL for AutoLab is http://autolab.millersville.edu

Important: When using AutoLab, use your MU email address!

Note on Grades Assigned by AutoLab: When you submit your program, it will be tested automatically and assigned a grade. This grade will be for a portion of your overall lab grade – I will individually assess the programs for the remainder of the grade (I will be looking for programming style, design, and other criteria). Note that the grades assigned by AutoLab CAN be changed if I deem it necessary – for example, if I detect academic dishonesty, observe less than satisfactory solutions, or uncover tests that I neglected to include in the AutoLab testing.

Getting Started...

If you were enrolled in the course on August 22nd:

1) Account Confirmation: Each of you should have received an email to your MU email address, asking you to confirm your account. Please click the link in the email. If you deleted the email or didn't receive one, go to the AutoLab page and click “Didn't receive confirmation instructions?” This will send you a new email – click the confirmation link.

2) Setting Your Password: You need to set the password on your account. Go to the AutoLab home page and click “Forgot your password?” This will send you an email (to your MU email) with a link that you can use to set your password.

3) Set Your Nickname. Once you login, AutoLab will display the course “162-f15 (f15)” and the first lab “Life Matrix”. Click the “Life Matrix” link and then click “Scoreboard”. Enter the nickname you would like to have displayed on the scoreboard when you submit programs. In other words, you might want something somewhat anonymous since others will be able to see it along with your current grade. Pick something appropriate – no profanity, etc.

If you were not enrolled in the course on August 22 (you added the course after this date):

1) Go to the AutoLab page and click “Sign Up”. Follow the instructions and use your MU email account.

2) Send me an email at Stephanie.schwartz@millersville.edu and let me know that you have signed up. I will add you to the course. Once I let you know (via email) that I have added you, you can set your nickname (step 3 above) and submit your assignment (below).

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Submitting your assignment...

1) After logging in, choose the assignment (in this case, “Life Matrix”)
2) Select “Submit File” and locate your Life.java file on your computer
3) The AutoLab software will automatically test your program. You need to refresh the web page in order to see your score.
4) Your score will be either 25 or 0 (as the lab handout explains, this part is “all or nothing”). If you have a 0, be sure that your output matches the specs EXACTLY. There is a list of things to check in terms of spacing and formatting.

That’s it! You can check the scoreboard to see how many people submitted before you and what their scores were. You can also view your submission history.

** Don’t worry if you go to the gradebook and don’t have a grade recorded yet for the assignment – the grades are only released to the gradebook after the deadline has passed.