Heartland Community College Tour 2013 video transcription

Speaking: Kay Southey, Enrollment Services

"When you come to Heartland you want to stay on top of what you are doing, where you are going... we want to get you to your goals as possible"

Speaking: Syreeta Williams, Academic Advisor

"The first time you meet with an advisor they should have taken a placement test. Once we know what their placement scores are and what their goal is, then we can help them know how to get to that goal. If you don't know what you want to do we can help you kinda get started and maybe look at some career exploration along the way"

Speaking: Kim McHale, Mathematics Professor

"You know general education courses have a lot of different benefits. One is they're the foundation for the rest of your education. All the bases of the knowledge that you get people have decided this is what you can build off of no matter what field you go into."

Speaking: Nick Schmitt, Psychology Professor

"Well having a well rounded education is good for employment reasons but it is also good for your own personal development. To be able to communicate and understand other people well and be a critical thinker. That effects your everyday relationships. Whether it is with children, or with your spouse or an employer."

Speaking: Candace Brownlee, Director of Admissions

"You know many of these students that come to Heartland receive an Associates Degree and go on to transfer to a four-year college. But a lot of people don't realize that we have some great programs that will get student's workforce ready immediately."

Speaking: Kim Travers, Industrial Technology Professor

"The career and technical education programs at the college are geared very specific for training an incoming student with basic skills, advanced level, advanced knowledge, problem solving skills. We are working with advisory committees on a regular basis to make sure that what we teach and how we teach it and how we are preparing our students makes them the best possible future employee for our current and local employers."

Speaking: Phil Vandiver, Digital Media Communications Professor

"We make a real effort to make all of the tools that we use industry standard. So if something changes out in the industry we make the adjustment. And so the tools that they are using here are the tools that they are going to encounter when they go out in the real world."

Speaking: Chris Miller, Industrial Technology Professor
"We can prepare our students quite nicely because we have one of the best facilities I think in the nation. So we are really hopeful that a candidate that graduates our program will be able to get a job in a wide array of areas. Even things we don't even know exist now we are going to be ready for placing them into those fields."

Speaking: Nick Schmitt, Psychology Professor

"One of the things students always enjoy about Heartland is the smaller class sizes. The learning environment is a little bit more intimate. There are more opportunities to talk to instructors one-on-one but also across the college. We are vested in the same goal and that is make students into well rounded individuals. So regardless of where you go you are going to get quality care from staff at Heartland."

Speaking: Kim McHale, Mathematics Professor

"A lot of students come to school thinking they know what they want to do or have no idea what they want to do and they start taking those general education courses and those courses are science or math or a history or a sociology course stir something inside them."

Speaking: Libby Norcross, Heartland Graduate

"When I started here my first class was a calculus class. And I was ok with math but my teacher really she was so enthused about and passionate that I couldn't help but get caught up and be excited about it. And as I continued with my other science and math classes I realized that all of the faculty here were very excited and they were very interested in drawing me in and teaching me what they had."

Speaking: Meghan Williams, Student Recruiter

"The number one misconception at community colleges is that it is just a commuter campus. And I always make sure to tell students that that is not how it is here at Heartland. There's lots of clubs and organizations that they can get involved in. Another great resource for students are free services. Use of our Fitness and Recreation Center. We have the Hawks Nest Game Room which is a fun place for students to come and relax. Leaving class doesn't mean you are leaving fun. Because the classroom is fun. You've got to go and get involved in all the different other things that we offer here on campus."

Speaking: Jonathan Nelson, Associate in Engineering Science Grad

"As an alumni what I have learned is you need to get involved. You need to be on campus. You need to find reasons to be on campus. That way you will make friends. You will find people to study with. You will find places to study. And you will just feel at home here."

Speaking: April Milanowski, Nursing Student

"It is so easy for students to become involved in on campus with activities. I had many groups coming up to me personally. And you go and visit with them and find out if that is what is good for you. And if not there are plenty of other opportunities for you."

Speaking: Heather Chapman, Economic and Business Professor
"Everyone here at Heartland is striving for that same goal of you to receive an education and understand the material and really just to improve your own life and our community."

Speaking: David Lewis, Political Science Professor

"I think that is where the community in Heartland Community College comes from. It is a community and we care about our students at a totally different level."

Speaking: Kim McHale, Mathematics Professor

"Heartland cares. I care about each and everyone of my students."

Speaking: Kay Southey, Enrollment Services

"So when you come to Heartland we want you to feel welcome. We want you to feel important. We want you to know that you do matter to us."

Speaking: David Lewis, Political Science Professor

"When you come to Heartland you are going to get an education second to none."

Speaking: April Milanowski, Nursing Student

"There is no way that you cannot choose Heartland."

Speaking: David Lewis, Political Science Professor

"My kid's coming here."