Asa
What I like so much about Changing the Equation is that everything is laid out for you in a detailed manner. It’s an easy path towards understanding because the topics are organized so each new lesson builds off previous material you’ve mastered.
People’s learning styles, skills and interests vary, and so do their paths to success. At Heartland Community College we recognize this and have programs in place to ensure all students have the educational supports necessary to achieve.

Based on your math assessment results you will begin your Heartland journey as part of our Changing the Equation math program in the Math Success Center which blends:

- Self-paced computer-based lessons.
- Real-time faculty coaching.

Through Changing the Equation you’ll build all the essential skills necessary for success in credit math courses.

Richie

I am a non-traditional student and have not studied mathematics for over a decade. The subject has always been intimidating for me.

In Changing the Equation if I had trouble with a certain lesson I could spend more time on it, but could move quickly through other parts, which was great!
During the first week of the term you’ll take a Milestone Placement Test so your math lessons begin right where you are as a learner. For concepts where instruction is needed, you will complete the following steps:

- A video lecture that includes step-by-step examples.
- A homework assignment that allows you to practice the new skills and concepts.
- A progress check to ensure you’ve mastered all the new material.
- A notebook review with your instructor.
- A post-test.

Changing the Equation rewards mastery, so if you complete your assigned milestone within a semester you can begin working on the next without any additional cost! Your completed work carries over from semester to semester, so you never have to repeat content you have already mastered.

It is just another way Heartland Community College puts you on a guided path to success.

4 Milestones

- Pre-algebra, modules 1-6
- Beginning Algebra, modules 7-12
- Intermediate Algebra 1, modules 13-16
- Intermediate Algebra 2, modules 17-20

Instructors provide personal support as you master essential concepts and build problem-solving skills at a pace that’s right for you.
Corey

I have learned that if you work hard, put in the time and ask questions you will achieve your goals and this class will be easy.

My proudest moments were when I got stuck on a module, kept fighting and eventually overcame that obstacle. Determination will take you a long way in school and in life.
Trudie

I have never been really good in math. So to take a math class on the computer...well I was kind of skeptical, but it worked! And having multiple people in the Math Success Center to answer my questions was really beneficial.

Something else that was extremely helpful was being able to do some of the work at home. My husband ended up in the hospital for two weeks and I was still able to keep up with my learning!
My instructor in the Math Success Center was an incredible teacher who pushed me to succeed without coddling me - but she did it with kindness.

Because this class uses so many different kinds of learning activities I am always engaged.

The best part for me is the immediate feedback. I know exactly how I'm doing at every step.

Thanks to this class I now see math challenges as speed bumps, not road blocks. I've learned I can do this - I can do math!

Because lessons are self-paced I never have to wait on the class to cover things I already get. And I can take the time I need to master tougher sections.

For more information about Changing the Equation or The Math Success Center

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