

# PLATO® Developmental Education Solutions



- Flexible, self-paced instruction across subject areas

Customizable content meets college and student needs

Research-based curriculum develops basic skills needed for college-level classes

Anytime, anywhere access to web-based courseware and assessments

# Prepare your students for college-level coursework.

As more students come to college lacking many of the basic skills necessary to succeed in college-level courses, you are challenged to provide developmental courses that keep them engaged and moving towards their educational goals. You also face budget cuts in the wake of increasing demands on your physical resources. How do you meet your students' needs while also living up to your fiscal responsibilities?

PLATO Learning provides online developmental education instruction in most major subject areas for students needing to refresh basic skills prior to excelling in college-level coursework. Using PLATO® Developmental Education Solutions allows you to maximize the number of students who can participate in your developmental programs and allows students the opportunity to quickly move to college-level work.

## Give them the tools they need to succeed.

Your students demand instruction that is flexible and meets their specific academic needs, whether that includes complete course instruction or just refreshers on basic skills. PLATO Learning's award-winning courseware provides your students with the flexibility they need combined with research-based curriculum for developmental education.

Online assessments diagnose and prescribe an individualized course of instruction, allowing for more efficient and effective learning and helping your students quickly move into college-level courses. Consistent instruction helps increase pass and retention rates and improves student persistence in future courses. Your students can succeed with our engaging, self-paced, and age-appropriate instruction.

## Customize the curriculum to best fit your needs.

PLATO Developmental Education Solutions feature customizable packages to meet your specific program needs. Whether you need online developmental education curriculum in one subject area or many subject areas, our content libraries provide you the flexibility to purchase what you need.

PLATO Developmental Education Solutions include five content libraries:

- Mathematics
- Reading
- Writing
- Science
- Life and Career Skills

You may also choose from one or more of our stand-alone developmental education products—PLATO® Interactive Mathematics, PLATO® Interactive English, or PLATO® academic.com.



PLATO® Foundational Mathematics and PLATO® Writing Process and Practice are two of PLATO Learning's newest offerings in developmental education.

*“We are constantly looking for best practices that can be shared among our institutions. I see PLATO Learning as a best practice in the area of developmental education.”*

—Dr. Walter Bumphus, president, Louisiana Community and Technical College System



## Meet your specific needs your own way.

PLATO Developmental Education Solutions offer two distinct implementation models—full course instruction and supplemental instruction—to meet the needs of your developmental education program.

### Full-Course Instruction

PLATO Developmental Education Solutions may be used for full-course instruction with interactive, comprehensive materials for students and integrated course management features for faculty. The online courses facilitate distance learning, allowing students to spend more time on for-credit college-level courses and quickly move through developmental courses.

### Supplemental Instruction

PLATO Developmental Education Solutions may also be used for supplemental instruction in developmental courses, allowing students and faculty to individualize the additional instruction they receive. Web-based curriculum allows students access anytime, anywhere, facilitating easier use of supplemental materials and allowing faculty to better work with large classes with diverse needs.

## Real learning. Real results.

### Valencia Community College

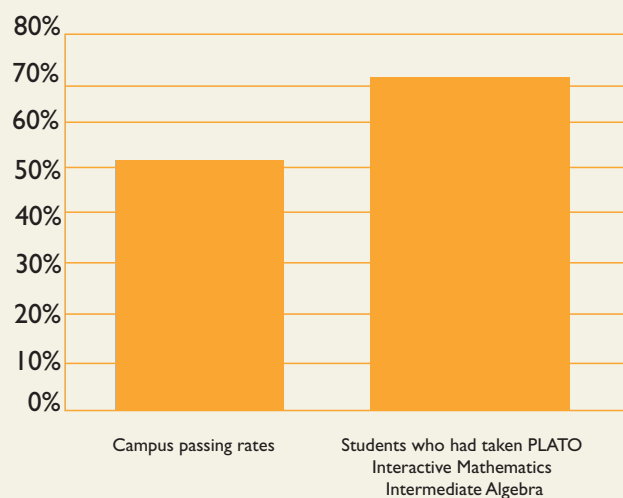
Valencia Community College (VCC) implemented PLATO Developmental Education Solutions for mathematics to address issues of student retention and achievement and to increase the success rate in developmental studies programs.

Most VCC students take intermediate algebra as remediation before enrolling in college algebra. In 2001–02, the passing rate for intermediate algebra on VCC’s East Campus was 53 percent; the passing rate for college algebra was 54 percent.

Students taking the online intermediate algebra course using PLATO Interactive Mathematics began showing immediate improvement in passing rates. In the first online section, the passing rate was 77 percent.

Faculty also saw the impact of the online instruction on students’ overall learning, as passing rates in subsequent courses improved as well. Of 72 students who had taken intermediate algebra using PLATO Interactive Mathematics, 51 passed their subsequent college algebra course, a passing rate of 71 percent.

Passing Rate for College Algebra Courses





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Want to help your developmental education students succeed quickly? Get more information about PLATO Developmental Education Solutions by calling 800.44.PLATO or visiting [www.plato.com/deved](http://www.plato.com/deved).