

The University of Alabama in Huntsville, AL

Four Year • Fewer than 10,000 students

Most of Instructor Shelley Lenahan's Beginning Algebra students come to the course with gaps in their math knowledge. While they may have been exposed to the concepts covered by the course, they did not learn them well enough to master them. MyMathLab is helping Lenahan identify those gaps, remediate the students' deficiencies, and prepare students for subsequent math courses.

Students are required to attend the Math Learning Center for four hours a week during scheduled class times. The course is mastery paced with an advancement requirement of 100 percent on homework and 85 percent or more on all quizzes and tests, including the final exam.

"MyMathLab is there for students at their moment of learning," says Lenahan. "They need no longer wait for office hours, or wait until the Math Learning Center opens to ask questions and complete homework, or otherwise put off learning. Students no longer fear falling behind because they can't get past problem number one. Real learning happens when and where the student is ready."

Instructors who teach subsequent courses report that students who pass Beginning Algebra with MyMathLab can follow lectures more easily than other students can and they typically do very well.

*—Submitted by Shelley Lenahan, Instructor
and Director of the Math Learning Center*