



FIRST2 NETWORK



Eastern Kentucky University Institutional Team



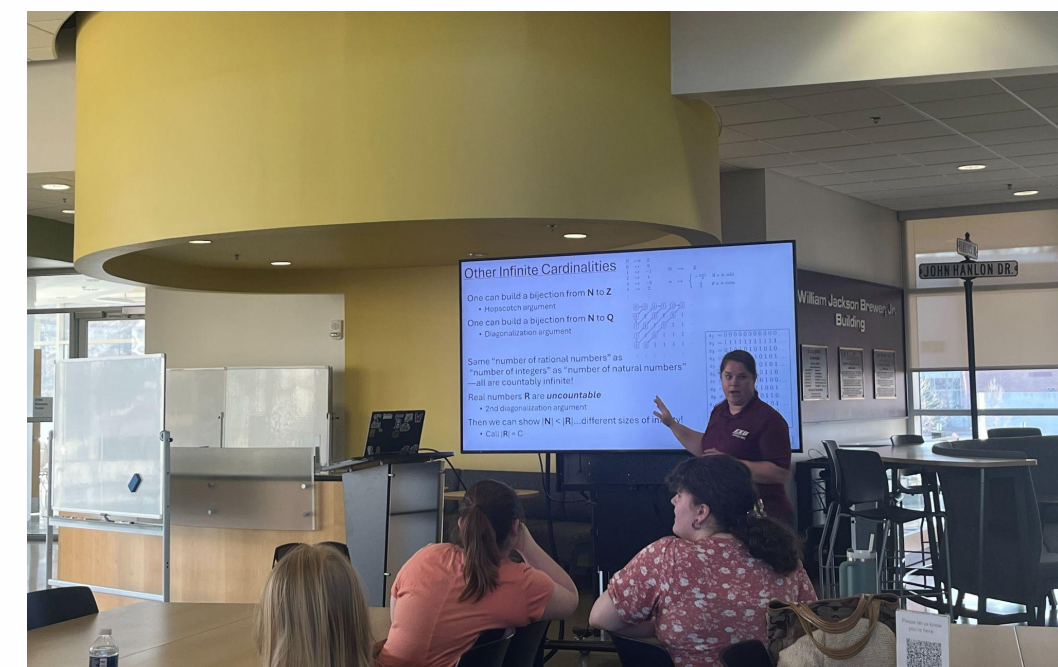
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CHANGE IDEA #1

Impromptu Lectures

TRACKER STATUS: Waiting for connection to lead institution

At the Spring conference, we learned that multiple institutions have adopted this change idea that originated from the University of Charleston. The First2 leadership suggested that this change idea be analyzed at a multi-institution level. We are participating in this multi-institutional change idea in Spring 2026.



CHANGE IDEA #2

Campus Club - Community

TRACKER STATUS: Plan Approved

This fall semester, we hosted two faculty-student community-building events (Faculty Bingo, Friendsgiving), three informational events for new students (campus welcome workshops, preparing for advising workshop, and FAFSA workshop), and a student community-building game night.



CHANGE IDEA #3

STEM START 2026

TRACKER STATUS: Plan Approved

We had 22 participants for STEM START 2025 and are happy to report that participants indicated increased interest in their major, sense of belonging, preparedness, self-efficacy, and connections to students and faculty. We are expanding STEM START for 2026, adding a track led by the Math & Stats Dept.



➔ Agriculture



➔ Engineering & Technology



➔ Wildlife Management

New for Summer 2026! ➔

➔ Math, Math Ed.,
Data Sci. & Stats

CHANGE IDEA #4

Power Skills

TRACKER STATUS: Plan Approved

In Spring 2026, a cohort of students recruited primarily from the Learning Assistants employed by the STEM Center, will participate in Power Skills Module #1. We will reach out to potential participants prior to the end of fall semester to recruit for the spring 2026 cohort of participants.



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