Bridging the Gap with an App: Mindset Achievement Portfolio

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Background on Creighton/Heider College of Business

- Located in Omaha, NE
- Founded in 1878, 1 of 27 Catholic, Jesuit colleges and universities in the USA
- 2021-22 enrollment of approximately 1150 undergraduates in the Heider College of Business with 65 full-time faculty members
- Hold AACSB accreditation for both Business and Accounting
- 99%+ career outcomes rate (first destination) for 8 of past 9 years

Flagship, 4-year Co-curricular Programs:

- Career Portfolio Program (required for all)
- Anna Tyler Waite Leadership Program
- Dean's Honor Roll for Social Responsibility





New Heider Mindset Curriculum



Rigorous thinkers



Who bring solutions and innovation to life



Who understand the world's context



For good

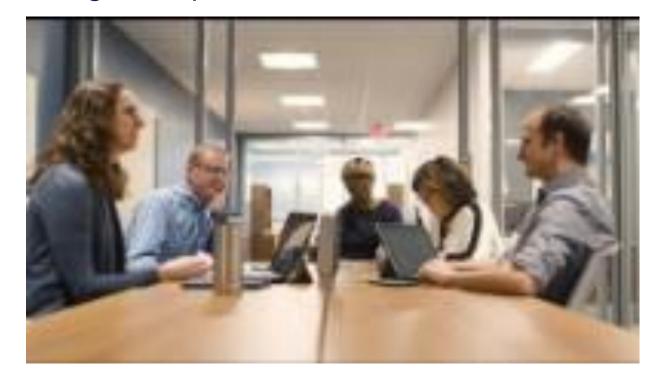


Who work well with others



Reflect, act, reflect

Introducing H-Map



Before Suitable

Student engagement:

- Visits to Freshmen Seminar courses
- Reliance on email communication
- Handshake events with card swipe check-in process (sometimes paper)

Limitations from the Career Center's perspective:

- Many disparate curricular and co-curricular courses in Canvas for students to track
- Rigid, linear technology forces a one-size-fits all sequence of career activities on students pursuing various career goals and recruitment timelines
- Limited engagement tracking and reporting capabilities





We needed a mobile-first solution

The Dean of the Heider College of Business (HCB), Dr. Anthony Hendrickson, learned of Suitable in Summer 2018

Recognized the advantages of Suitable

- Cohesion between curricular and co-curricular learning
- Ability to create more flexible pathways to fulfill learning outcomes
- Mobile capability and ease of activity check-in through event codes
- More engaging (gamification, leaderboard, etc.)
- Portfolio to help students articulate career readiness skills





The Heider Mindset Achievement Portfolio (H-Map)

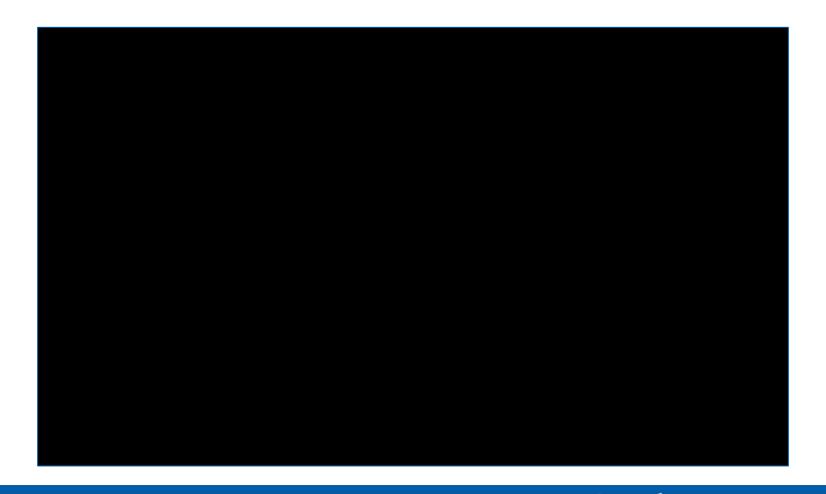
The goal is for each Heider student to graduate with a strong understanding and practice of each Mindset

Additionally, the program provides strong data to help identify students at-risk (disengagement, mental health concerns, retention, etc.)











The New H-MAP







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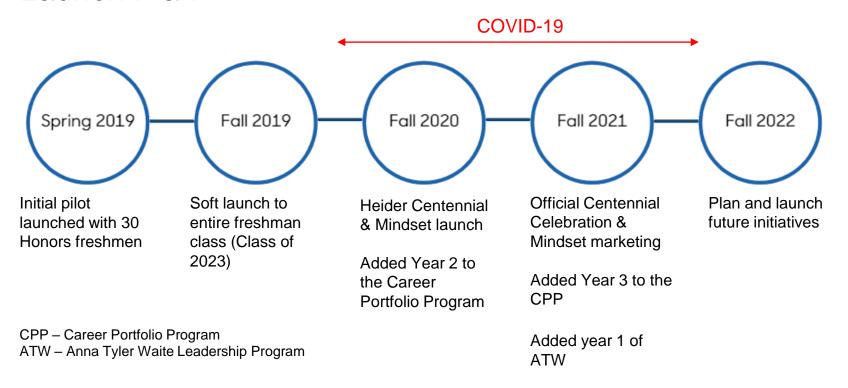








Launch Plan





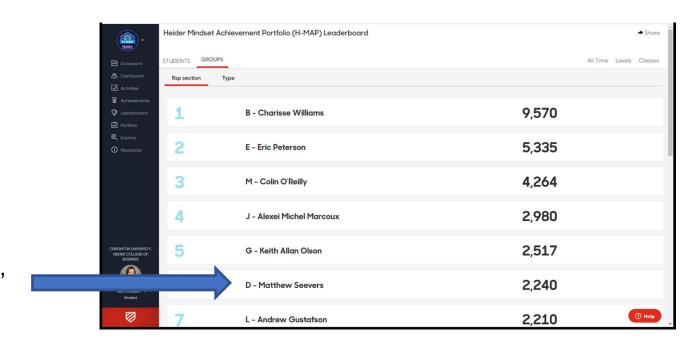
Adopting, Promoting and Boosting H-Map







Freshman Seminar Competition



Fall 2021 – Dr. Seevers' class WON!



What's Worked Well?













H-MAP Hype Team



Engagement Highlights

- We've become more aware and focused on student engagement
- Admin processes have improved
- It's much easier to pull reports
- Access to real-time dashboard engagement metrics

82%

of students engaged in the last 12 months

10,700+

activities completed in the last 12 months





Activity Summary AY2020-2021

Freshmen

- 248 students (92%) completed at least one activity
- 218 students (81%) completed at least two activities
- Average: 6 activities tracked per student

Sophomores

- 189 students (59%) completed at least one activity
- 183 students (57%) completed at least two activities
- Average: 7 activities tracked per student







Students Love It

Student Quotes about the Heider Mindset Achievement Portfolio (H-Map)

- "It is very easy to follow as a website and gave me a good grasp on what I needed to do to be successful in the business world."
- "Because students are ranked based on points you achieve, it motivated me to do more."
- "I liked being able to scan the barcodes and see your own progress throughout the semester."
- "It forces you to interact and stay engaged with activities throughout the year."



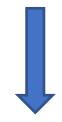
Short Term Goals

War room overhaul for badge strategy

- Focus on cutting "cluttered" content and streamlining achievement and badge completion
- Badge Strategy = where do mindsets fit within the greater picture?
- Finalizing four-year budget & incentive structure

Finalize Single-Sign On and Data Feed





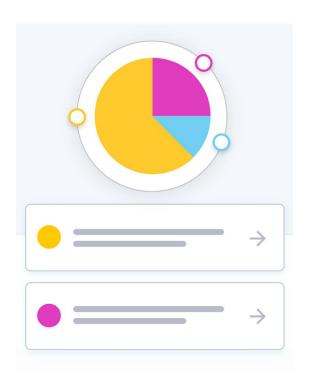






Retention Tool

- Pre-COVID, we knew lack of engagement with our Career
 Portfolio was predictive of an overall lack of engagement (i.e. retention risk)
- Suitable has made it easy to collect and access meaningful engagement data
- Contributed to the Heider College of Business leading other colleges in retention the last two years







Next Steps

Shift perception from Career Center focus to Heider College of Business ownership

Create strategic plan to incorporate all curricular/co-curricular activities

- Add final co-curricular program (Dean's Honor Roll for Social Responsibility)
- Sustainable process for adding activities, grading, incentives, etc.

Go "all in" on faculty adoption now that all 4 grade levels are on Suitable







Long Term Vision

- Heider Mindsets embedded in the minds and vocabulary of students
- Suitable perceived by students/faculty/staff as integral tool to the Heider experience
- Ongoing data analysis workflow to influence engagement and retention strategies



Key Takeaways

- Vet the platform with major stakeholders to build support and gain buy-in prior to piloting.
- Create a strategic plan early in the process.
- 3. Less is more (Cheesecake Factory vs. Chipotle menu).
- 4. When possible, use QR codes. Remove barriers for activity completion!









Thank you! Questions?

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