

## STEM Video Transcript

Mary O'Leary: STEM is science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. We are really good in these fields.

Michelle Sama: It is very common for women to feel like they need to go into certain fields or majors because that is what has been done in the past. But what we're finding is that women can provide a very unique angle to STEM fields.

Mary O'Leary: I would say to any women that is considering going into a STEM major is to do it.

Alexander Northern: I think they bring a communications skillset.

Mary O'Leary: We are very methodical thinkers, we're logical, we're creative.

Michelle Sama: And so women can provide this unique angle or approach to tackling a problem.

Desiree Cerretani: I just love the technical aspect of everything, and I always ask why: why does that happen, why do we do that, why does that move.

Bethany Fronhofer: It's very useful to be able to hear a lecture about something and then go into the lab afterward and see what they are talking about.

Grace De Geus: It's actually quite fulfilling to be able to see these new things we are making and being able to apply to real life things, helping people.

Alexander Northern: Women are exceeding and excelling and to have that as part of the program is just natural

Esther Covey: All of the faculty here at VTC are great mentors.

Grace De Geus: I found it to be really supportive of me being a woman

Michelle Sama: Women represent 50 percent of our population

Alexander Northern: It's important to be inclusive as simple or as complicated as that I guess

Georgia Durham: It's challenging for everyone, you know, guys, girls, it doesn't matter. I think you'll be really proud of yourself when you get through it.

Bethany Fronhofer: It's a fascinating thing just knowing that you can do the things that people wouldn't necessarily expect of you and being able to do them well

Desiree Cerretani: And that helps you because a lot of companies that's what they want, they want you to understand what you're doing and to be able to accomplish it

Michelle Sama: It's important that if you have an interest in these fields that you take advantage of that. It's a great field for women