

Install EquatIO for accessibility and more

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EquatIO allows the creation of digital equations and formulas. It also offers other STEM and graphing tools. EquatIO can be used within the D2L Editor, on your desktop (Windows or Mac), in Google Chrome and EquatIO MathSpace website. EquatIO formulas enable the user to read, write, and listen to scientific material because EquatIO generates *alternative text*, attached to the formula image, containing its description. This alternative text is used by readers like [Read Speaker](https://vtac.lonestar.edu/help/a124) and Read and Write.

See the article [Use EquatIO for accessibility and more](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/use-equatio-for-accessibility-and-more) for more information on how to use this tool.

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EquatIO in the D2L Editor

To use EquatIO in the D2L Editor, no installation is needed. EquatIO is accessible through the Insert Stuff option on the Editor Toolbar. Read [Use EquatIO for accessibility and more](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/use-equatio-for-accessibility-and-more) for further details. The EquatIO version built into D2L does not present all the features available in the desktop (Windows or Mac) and Google Chrome Extension versions. The EquatIO Mobile, Screenshot Reader and Stem Tools (Periodic table, Scientific Calculator and, Molecular Viewer) and **Edit Math** are not available in the built-in D2L version. This version does not work in iPads (See EquatIO Mathspace website).

EquatIO for Google Chrome

The Google Chrome Extension is available to **Insert Math** and **Edit Math** in certain browser applications such as D2L. This version does not work in iPads (See EquatIO Mathspace website).

NOTE: In order to Install EquatIO for Google Chrome follow the instructions in the link bellow. Remember to select the Microsoft Office option and to use your LSC credentials: email and password.

[How to Install EquatIO for Google Chrome Extension](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/install-equatio-chrome-extension)

EquatIO for desktop (Windows or MAC)

The Desktop version is used to **Insert Math** and **Edit Math** in Microsoft Word. *It is not used with*

D2L or other browser applications. This version does not work in iPads (See EquatIO Mathspace website).

NOTE: In order to Install EquatIO for desktop (Windows and MAC) follow the instructions in the link below. Remember to select the Microsoft Office option and to use your LSC credentials: email and password.

[How to Install EquatIO for desktop \(Windows and Mac\)](https://support.texthelp.com/help/getting-started-with-equatio-windowsmac) (<https://support.texthelp.com/help/getting-started-with-equatio-windowsmac>)

NOTE: Once it is installed, you will need to put in the product code **G2Q89FXN**.

EquatIO Mathspace website (<https://equatio.texthelp.com/>)

Equatio Math Space is a web-based tool that allows the creation of a digital "space" with equations, shapes, and freehand drawings. The link to "space" can be shared by students and instructors. **This version works in iPads.**

The EquatIO website contains an enhanced shape's library that is not available in the other versions. The "space" can be downloaded as a png or pdf, however those files are not accessible. Instructors may create Assignments in the EquatIO Math Space website. These assignments are not integrated to D2L gradebook.
