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The self-paced CSM course builds the essentials of high performance:
- deep, fluent workplace math and literacy;
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- the ability to learn on your own;
- attention to detail;
- persistence and self-reliance; and
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