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UW-L's SIS Project Has Taken Flight!

UW-La Crosse, along with UW-Eau Claire and UW-Stout, is currently in the early stages of implementing a new Student Information System (SIS). This implementation is part of a UW System Common Systems initiative and nine other UW campuses are already utilizing this software with positive results. The new student system is a purchased software package from ORACLE called Campus Solutions. The package will cover recruiting, admissions, records, financial aid, student financials, degree audit, and self-service for faculty/staff and students.

According to ORACLE, "Campus Solutions is a comprehensive suite specifically designed for the changing needs of higher education institutions." Under this new system, students will be able to:

- Check the status of their financial aid application online and accept/reject their award electronically
- View class and exam schedules, request transcripts, view course and grade history, and update bio/demo data
- Generate what-if degree progress scenarios
- Manage their student financial accounts for charges, payments, and financial aid activity
- Prospective students can apply on-line for admission and access their admission status online rather than waiting for a letter in the mail

Project leadership teams and an oversight committee have been charged with UW-L's implementation. CIBER Enterprises has been hired as our implementation partners. In addition, teams will work the UW-Eau Claire and UW-Stout campuses on planning and training. This collaborative effort will be useful in reducing costs and human resource requirements, minimizing duplication of consulting costs and efforts, facilitating knowledge building, and improving solutions to implementation issues by drawing on collective wisdom. The SIS Project Kick-Off meeting is scheduled for March 25th, 2008, with phased implementation to continue through fall 2009.

To learn more about the SIS Project, please visit our website:

<http://www.uwlax.edu/peoplesoft/index.htm>

