

University ERP System Upgrade



The Banner® system is the enterprise software solution used by the University for management of the University's primary business functions and data. This includes undergrad and graduate student admission and registration, class and program scheduling, student graduation, financial accounting, employment-related functions and alumni activities. Banner® is used by all faculties, registered students, alumni, and administrative departments.

During the summer of 2011, UITS completed the upgrade of Banner® ERP system from version 7 to version 8. The upgrade which had been planned since December 2010 provides additional features to the system which can potentially be utilized by our university community. The Banner® 8 system will improve the quality of the student experience, encourage efficient administrative practices, support data-driven planning and decision making, provide a framework for on-going organizational change, and deploy a standards-based management information system.

Blackboard Hardware and Software Upgrade

During 2011 summer break, UITS has upgraded the University's eLearning system (Blackboard) to a new hardware and Software version. The new Hardware was based on the latest Blackboard recommended specifications and provides more reliability, efficiency and better performance. The new software version also included new features as well as fixes of reported problems. Since the upgrade system outage has been eliminated altogether while routine system maintenance is significantly reduced.