

Vision 2020 Update-Building, Renovation, and Technological Infrastructure

Overall Status



Goal I: Pursue opportunities to invest in technology and information systems. Through these investments create a more flexible and productive work environment, while simultaneously reducing maintenance, improving overall efficiency and reducing costs.

Strategy D: Develop mobile apps and/or access to Banner and other applications with smart phones and tablet devices.

Recent Key Accomplishments

University Relations and Operations has begun discussions with a contractor to redesign the University website using a responsive design which will make the current site more mobile friendly and app-like.

With the purchase of a new production server and the implementation of virtualization, research and progression on this goal is an item to be evaluated and assessed during the upcoming year.

Upcoming Activities

University Relations and Operations is awaiting a draft design from the contractor with the intent of launching a new, responsive website in summer 2015.

At the same time, Information Technology will begin research on current technologies that would be best to develop Banner and other software access by portable devices.




Emerging Issues

Following an initial sales inquiry and subsequent internal conversation regarding app development and the availability of existing commercial software apps, it is evident larger discussions are needed relating to the campus community's mobile functionality desires. In addition, the availability of funds will be a factor.

Solutions

Research options including those related to funding. Discussions among University stakeholders is planned for spring 2015 to determine if a responsive website design will meet their mobile desires or if additional apps are needed.

Upcoming Deliverables/Milestones

<u>Item</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Progress</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Item. Begin responsive website redesign	Nov. 13, 2014		100%	UR&O staff met with the contractor to discuss design ideas, timeline for implementation and technology associated with this project.
Item. Begin research to recommend the best option for potential app development	Week of Jan. 5, 2015		0%	The IT Division will begin researching technologies in Jan. 2015
Item. Discussion with University stakeholders	Spring 2015		0%	UR&O staff will schedule a meeting with VPs to discuss desired mobile abilities for early spring 2015.

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