Project Compass
A New Direction for Emory

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What is Project Compass?

Project Compass is Emory's enterprise-wide initiative that will, over a two-year period, replace the separate University and Healthcare accounting systems (FAS and CODA) with a single, feature-rich solution: PeopleSoft Financials version 9.0. The result will integrate PeopleSoft Human Resources and Student Administration systems, with purchasing solutions SciQuest and PMM, as well as IDX and Healthquest.

Why are we doing this?

Our current University and Healthcare financial systems have performed amazingly well for us, but we need a more robust and business driven financial system to take us into the future to support our reporting and tracking requirements. Benefits from the implementation will be many, including improved analytical reporting to inform business decisions, improved financial management, grant reporting and tracking capabilities, and the ability to produce consolidated reports for Emory University and Emory Healthcare.

How did it get its name?

Project Compass was the winning recommendation from a naming contest of which several entries were submitted. The name takes the vast range of people, components, and work processes into consideration and intentionally sets us all on a new course, together.

"The Emory Compass (project) will guide the University and Healthcare in a new direction in one mission—creating an environment where the Emory community works together to accomplish common goals. The Emory Compass unites us as one." –Sonya L. Hearn, Financial Analyst/General Accounts Receivables, submitted the winning entry.

What do you need to know?

Where?   University, Hospital, and Clinic locations will implement the new software.

When?   Go-Live date for the new software is **September 1, 2009**.

Who?   Everyone who currently uses the FAS and CODA systems will transition to PeopleSoft Financials.

How?   A dedicated Project Team will work with staff and administrators from the University and Healthcare along with two outside consulting companies to convert data and processes to PeopleSoft Financials v9.0.

A significant aspect of *Project Compass* is the need to prepare staff for the changes associated with the integration of the new financial system. The team will provide informational meetings, training sessions, and updates of our progress over the project lifecycle.

For more information please email the *Project Compass* Team: compass@emory.edu

Project Compass Website Coming in April!