Blackboard Newsletter

HIGHLIGHTS

Dickinson State and Mayville State: continue to convert courses over to the Blackboard system. Both campuses will be fully implemented for the Spring 2019 term.

Minot State University: is working to move over their non-system accounts to the Blackboard system this fall term and scheduled to be fully implemented by the Spring 2019 term.

SMS functionality: A one way text messaging to students has been enabled in Production.

PROJECT UPDATES

- CU 2 2018 was installed to Production August 9th— the update caused some issues to the themes and branding for those campuses that made modifications/customizations
- CTS continues to work on a new process to create Non-system accounts for Blackboard
- Governance approved to have CTS and Blackboard work on a Statement of Work for Ally— an add-on product that makes the LMS digital content more accessible, automatically checks course materials against WCAG 2.0 accessibility standards, provides students with accessible alternative formats such as audio and electronic braille, and delivers guidance to instructors to improve the accessibility of their course content
- Course Activity report has been send to the campuses for user acceptance testing
- CTS continues to develop the Active Courses report
- Direct Data Access remote training has been scheduled (4– 3 hour sessions)

ON THE HORIZON

Grades Integration: CTS and Blackboard are ready to bring in a few campuses to test this new functionality. A kick off call is scheduled for the first week in September with testers from LRSC, MaSU and UND. They will be responsible to test a variety of scenarios to pull final grades from the Blackboard system and into the Campus Solutions system, removing the time it takes to enter grades manually into two systems. If testing is successful, the functionality will be available to all campuses for the Spring 2019 term.

High-Level Status Tracking by Campus

PROJECT TIMELINE/STATUS: North Dakota University System

Legend:
- Green — On Track/No Issues
- Yellow — Some Issues/Delays
- Red — At Risk
- Blue — Complete

School	Current LMS	Targeted Go Live Date*	% Complete (Overall)	eCollege 1-day planning onsite	Kick off	ATP	System Gov/ Decisions	Course Conversion	TPD Intro Meeting	SIS Integration	SaaS Migration	Learn Training (Admin)	Learn Training (End User)	Collab Training	Grades Integration with SIS	Help Desk Services	B2 Custom Work**	DDA Training**	Collab Link Report**	Reporting Framework**
System		See below	100%	N/A	Oct '16	Nov '16	(yellow)		Oct '16	May '17	May '17	(green)			(green)	N/A	Aug '17	Jun '18	Feb '18	(green)
BSC	eCollege	LIVE	100%	Oct '16	Oct '16	Nov '16	N/A	June '17	Oct '16	Mar '17	May '17	Feb '17	Feb '17		N/A	Apr '17	N/A	N/A	Feb '18	N/A
LRSC	eCollege	LIVE	100%	Oct '16	Oct '16	Dec '16	N/A	June '17	Oct '16	Mar '17	May '17		Feb '17	(green)	N/A	Apr '17	N/A	N/A	Feb '18	N/A
NDSCS	eCollege	LIVE	100%	Oct '16	Oct '16	Nov '16	N/A	June '17	Oct '16	Mar '17	May '17	(green)	Feb '17		N/A	Apr '17	N/A	N/A	Feb '18	N/A
VCSU	Learn	LIVE	100%	N/A	Nov '16	Feb '17	N/A	N/A	Mar '17	July '17	Aug '17	(yellow)	(yellow)	(yellow)	N/A	N/A	July '17	N/A	Nov '17	N/A
MiSU	Learn	Jan 2019	70%	N/A	Nov '16	Mar '17	N/A	N/A		(green)	(green)	(yellow)	(yellow)	(green)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(green)	N/A
UND	Learn	LIVE	100%	N/A	Nov '16	Feb '17	N/A	N/A	Apr '17	July '17	Aug '17	(green)		Aug '17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Nov '17	N/A
NDSU	Learn	May 2019	20%	N/A	Nov '16	Mar '17	N/A	N/A	Apr '17	(red)	(red)	(yellow)	(yellow)		N/A	N/A	Jan '18	N/A	(green)	N/A
WSC	Moodle	LIVE	100%	N/A	Nov '16	Jan '17	N/A	July '17	Feb '17	July '17	Aug '17	(green)	Apr '17	(green)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Feb '18	N/A
DCB	Moodle	LIVE	100%	N/A	Nov '16	May '17	N/A	May '18		Nov '17	May '18	(green)	(green)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A
DSU	Moodle	LIVE	100%	N/A	Nov '16	Apr '17	N/A	(green)	Dec '17	Dec '17	Jan '18	(green)	(green)	(green)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A
MaSU	Moodle	May 2018~	80%	N/A	Nov '16	Apr '17	N/A	(green)	May '17	Feb '18	May '18	(green)	(green)	(green)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	(green)	N/A

Note: The NDUS system office currently uses Moodle, but for internal courses only, vs for student facing courses.

*Go live date is defined as when students is accessing the course and the instructor is teaching from it.

**Additional SOW from Innovation Fund

~ Soft launch with full go live May 2019