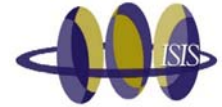




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The CITS (Computing and Information Technology Services) PeopleSoft Team is here to help you in making the transition from SIS (Student Information System) to PeopleSoft as smooth as possible. Please refer to the following websites for more information:

- **UMass Dartmouth PeopleSoft website:**
<http://www.umassd.edu/peoplesoft>
- **Project ISIS website:**
<http://sso.umassmed.edu/isis>

You may have heard rumors that UMass Dartmouth will be switching to a new Student Administration system soon. You might wonder, "Why are we doing this?" or "What's wrong with the current system?"

was chosen to replace the University of Massachusetts' aging legacy systems because it enables an efficient exchange of data between systems. Although SIS-Plus is a well-designed system that has served our campus well, PeopleSoft is user-friendly and allows students, faculty, and staff to perform functions via the Internet.

The goal of (Inter-campus Student Information System) is to implement the PeopleSoft system at the Boston, Dartmouth, and Lowell campuses. The Recruitment and Admissions modules are currently up and running. Student Records (including registration for Fall 2005), Financial Aid, and Student Financials are targeted to go live in the timeframe. Academic Advising is targeted to go live in

Picture yourself checking the enrollment status of your classes and reviewing the progress of your advisees... all from the comfort of your own home! , a feature of the PeopleSoft Student Administration (SA) system, provides faculty with the flexibility of performing several tasks online. Self Service enables you to search the course catalog and schedule of classes, print class rosters, and access advising support tools via the web.

PeopleSoft is designed to allow faculty to enter via the Internet. The faculty member responsible for submitting grades directly enters the information into the system, ensuring the integrity of the data. This process will be the preferred method of submitting final grades. If you require assistance in submitting your final grades online (for example, if you teach a very large class), the Registrar's Office will work with you to determine a satisfactory resolution of the issue.

The Project ISIS team will offer a variety of training options, as well as ongoing support, to ensure that you will be ready to use the new system. Faculty members are participating in the development of an for Self Service. You can use the tutorial as a self-paced training course or as a reference guide while you work online.

have been created to assist you while you work. will be open during key business cycles (such as grading), so that you can stop by to ask questions at your leisure. If you are interested in learning more extensive PeopleSoft functions not available in Self Service, you will have opportunities to attend specific to faculty.

Most of the PeopleSoft SA training will take place from , though training will continue to be offered on an ongoing basis after the system is in place. Training will occur as close as possible to the time when you will need the new skills. As additional details become available, you will receive information via e-mail, the UMass Dartmouth PeopleSoft website, or department meetings to ensure your success in using PeopleSoft.

If you have any questions about PeopleSoft training, please contact at 508-999-8035 or via e-mail at rflynn@umassd.edu.



Coming in November's Issue: What are the differences between SIS and PeopleSoft?