A Key Initiative to Identify Cost Saving Opportunities

Goal:
Redefine our administrative future in a challenging economy.

Who:
Faculty, students, administrators, and staff working together to understand and apply data and hear the customer’s voice.

Timeline and Status:
Identify and prioritize opportunities (Phase I – Complete)
Refine and develop solution sets/action plans (Phase II - Underway)
Implement (Phase III – Ongoing as solutions are approved)

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IT Projects

Data Center Aggregation
Develop a new model of server and data center structure to reduce cost, improve service levels, and minimize data security risks.

Recommendations due: June 2012

Email & Calendaring
Identify a single e-mail and calendaring platform for UW-Madison - including faculty, staff, and students. Quantify the investment required and anticipated efficiencies. Determine service levels and policies that would govern the administration and use of the new system.

Recommendations due: May 2012

Upcoming Project

Enterprise IT Decision-Making
Develop and communicate a comprehensive understanding of the current state of decision-making and investment related to IT across the University including services provided, constituencies served, FTEs allocated, and costs incurred by category to support Enterprise IT Decision Making.

Kick-off: March 2012

Strategic Purchasing Projects

Computer Bundles
Identify a suite of no more than four competitively priced standardized desktop and laptop computer bundles with a single vendor for administrative use campus-wide. Require an articulated business need for purchase of non-bundle configurations.

Recommendations due: May 2012

Office Supplies
Scientific Supplies
MRO Supplies
Maximize campus-wide savings by consolidating vendors, leveraging University scale, and substituting purchases for commoditized options when possible, without sacrificing service levels.

Recommendations due: May 2012

Space Utilization Project

Classroom Space
Identify means to more effectively and efficiently use campus space to reduce off-campus lease costs and repurpose the use of underutilized or unutilized departmental space.

Recommendations due: June 2012