

ERP REVIEW AND CONSULTING SERVICES



INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE

Clustered both geographically and academically, the eight Claremont Colleges - six undergraduate and two graduate campuses enable their students to attend a small, tightly focused college even as they enjoy the benefits the large college consortium offers including cross-enrollment in classes, and participation in a host of multi-campus social, academic, political, creative and religious organizations.

The consortium consists of Pomona College, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont University Consortium, Scripps College, Claremont McKenna College, Harvey Mudd College, Pitzer College, and Keck Graduate Institute.



PROJECT BACKGROUND

The President's of the Claremont Colleges consortium issued an RFP soliciting assistance to assess the consorial student information needs and the evolving and changing ERP market for student information systems. SIG was selected to perform those services.

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The college consortium utilized a single student system (Jenzabar) and multiple instances of financial aid (PowerFaid). Cross registration and shared degree plans made the environment extremely complex. The services requested from SIG included:

- A review of as-is key business processes
- Conduct a fit-gap analysis comparing capabilities of the existing system with the desired functionality commonly found in a newer ERP solution
- Perform an assessment on the future viability of the Jenzabar system
- Facilitate a request for proposals for a new student-information system

BENEFIT/VALUE

The separate requirements of all undergraduate institutions were integrated into a common set of "Unique SIS Requirements". An RFP was issued and three vendors were educated on these specific and unique requirements and as a result, were asked to provide custom product demonstrations for the Colleges. The end result was the selection of the Workday student system. The business process work performed by SIG served as the foundation for the configuration of Workday.



HOW SIG CAN HELP

Our Rapid Process Improvement (RPI) process is designed to meet the challenges at your institution. Performed before, after, or in conjunction with the implementation of new technology, an RPI allows you to take stock of your most critical processes, develop ideal processes, and create a plan to achieve dramatic improvements.

By conducting an RPI workshop prior to procuring new technology, SIG will:

- Meet with stakeholders to define requirements for the future state and then translate into vendor demonstration scripts
- Ensure first class ERP implementation by re-imagining processes before configuring new technology for dramatic improvement
- If the outcome is to remain with existing technology, SIG will implement tactical process changes to identify improvements to fully utilize existing technology