## Georgia FIRST Year in Review and Roadmap Update

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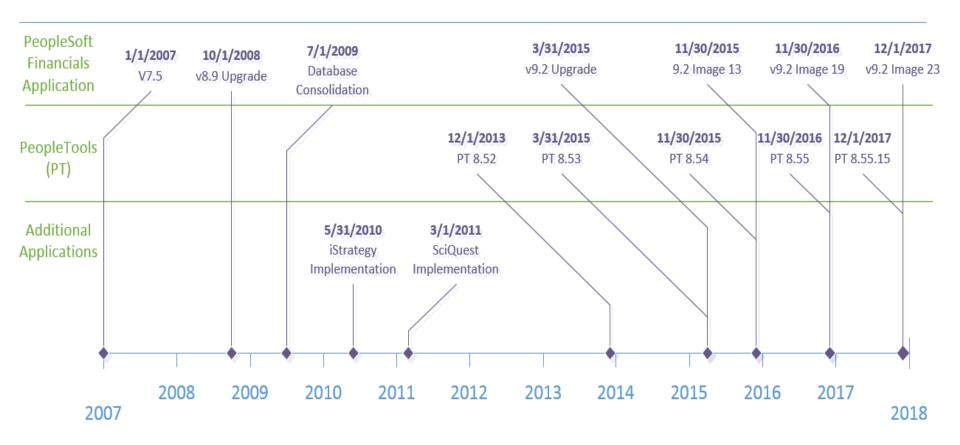


## Agenda

Note: Session Time adjustment: 5:10pm-5:50pm

- Financials Application Timeline
- Georgia FIRST by the Numbers
- Releases
- 2017 Annual Oracle Maintenance Release
- Update on Module Review Sessions
- Other Projects and Initiatives

## Financials Application Timeline



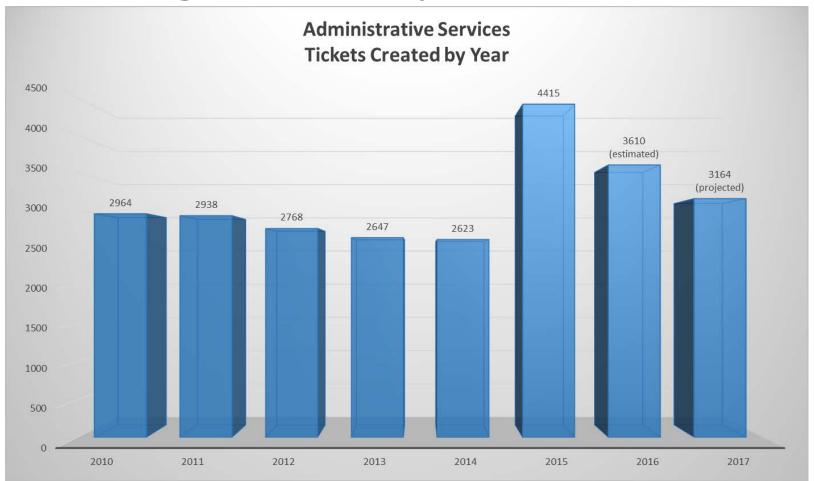


## Georgia FIRST by the Numbers

- Hosts 25 institutions in the consolidated PeopleSoft Financials environment
  - Five of these are consolidated institutions
- Supports 10 financial modules:
  - GL, Commitment Control, AR, ePro, PO, AP, AM,
     T&E, Budget Prep, Common Remitter
- During 2016, supported approximately 11,469 active users in PeopleSoft Financials

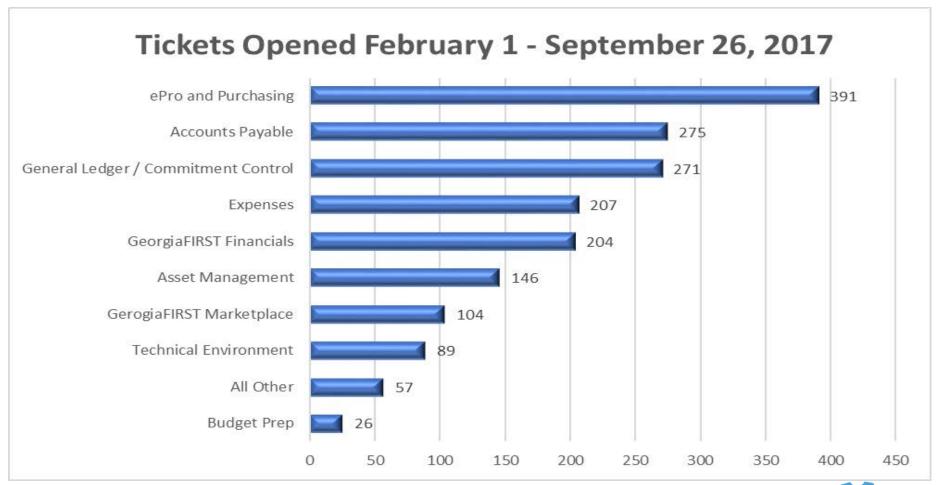


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# One Team, One Mission Sharpen Your Game



## Financials Involvement - OneUSG Connect Project

- Georgia FIRST Financials support provided to OneUSG Connect project:
  - Functional resources:
    - Dedicated three resources at 75%+
  - Technical Resources:
    - Dedicated three resources at 75%+
- Resource forecasting:
  - Redirect resources back to Financials starting
     April, 2018

## Financials Involvement - OneUSG Connect Project

- Impact to Financials Roadmap:
  - Rolling out of new Oracle functionality
  - Ability to develop project plan for implementing new modules
  - Ability to research and identify reporting solution
- Things not impacted:
  - Production Support
  - Consolidation Projects

## **RELEASES**



### Maintenance Strategy

- Oracle's PeopleSoft Selective Adoption
  - Update as opposed to Upgrade
- Application
  - Maintenance including bug fixes and regulatory updates
  - New features and enhancements
- Infrastructure and PeopleTools
  - Servers, databases, developer tools, security and query
- PeopleSoft Update Manager (PUM)
  - PeopleSoft Update Image (PI)



- A testing project, not a technical project.
  - More than 3,000 system test scenarios to validate
- 2017 Scope:
  - Through PI 23
  - PeopleTools 8.55.17
- Apply, Evaluate, Retrofit
  - 60 retrofits included in 2017 Annual Maintenance Release

### User Experience

- Single Sign-On
  - Currently available for OneUSG Connect and OneUSG Connect Benefits.
- Two-factor authentication
- Strategy for Georgia FIRST

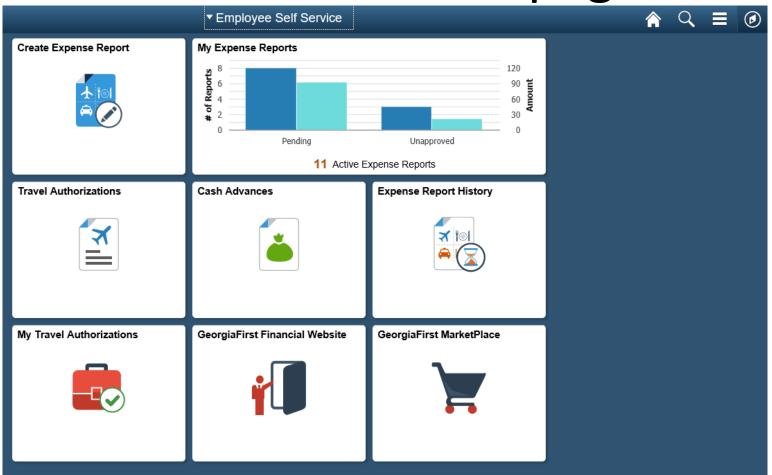


### User Experience

- PeopleSoft Fluid User Interface
  - Modern UI for all devices including tablets, smartphones and desktop.
  - Initial scope: Self-Service functionality.
- Fluid Homepage and Header
  - Tiles
  - Search Elasticsearch
  - Notifications
  - Hamburger
  - NavBar



## New Fluid Homepage





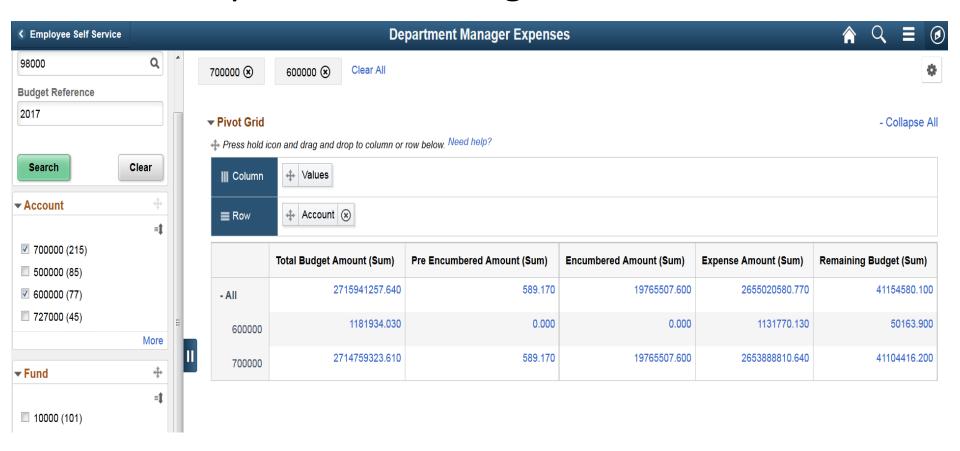
- URL change:
  - Practitioner: core.fprod.gafirst.usg.edu
  - Self Service: selfservice.fprod.gafirst.usg.edu



- New Department Manager Dashboard
  - Real time results rather than previous days data
  - Department-level security
  - Geared to non-traditional users
  - Drill down capability

To learn more, attend session "Department Manager Dashboard" tomorrow @ 1:40pm

New Department Manager Dashboard



- Implementing Supplier Workflow
  - Suppliers will need to be in an Approved (or Inactive) status prior to Release 5.30.
  - ITS will provide list to institutions in November.

For more information, attend "ePro & Purchasing Upcoming Enhancements" session Thursday @ 11:30am



- Timing of Annual Release:
  - Scheduled to apply Friday, December 1 to Sunday,
     December 3.
  - PeopleSoft Financials production database will be available for use 7:00am Monday, December 4.



- How to prepare:
  - Communicate system downtime
  - Change Management:
    - Prepare users for UI changes
      - ITS will provide a short YouTube video
    - Provide new URL
    - Download new Journal & Voucher spreadsheets
  - Plan for new features
    - Supplier Workflow setup
    - Department Manager Dashboard
    - Security Administration



- How to prepare:
  - Data Best Practice Recommendations:
    - Suppliers
      - Need to be in Approved or Inactive status
    - Workflow Approvals
      - Transactions should be in **Pending** or **Approved** status
      - Includes Travel Authorizations, Expense Reports, AP Vouchers, Journals, Requisitions, Purchase Orders



## UPDATE ON MODULE ENHANCEMENT REVIEW SESSIONS



- Purpose of Module Enhancement Reviews
  - Review Oracle image fixes and new features.
  - Sessions allow sharing with institution process experts to obtain customer feedback and priority for implementing.
  - Depending on the implementation complexity (High, Medium, Low), USO Leader Team and/or USG Advisory Team approval required.



- Outcome of Module Enhancement Reviews:
  - Institutions vote on their top three enhancement priorities
  - This provides user input so ITS is focused on highest priority needs of institutions.
  - The outcome is a roadmap for delivery of new enhancements.



- MER Sessions completed:
  - -ePro and Purchasing: April, 2016
  - -Asset Management: November, 2016
  - Accounts Payable: November, 2016
  - -Expense module: March, 2017



- Priorities for ePro & Purchasing:
  - Procurement Contracts/Contract & Sourcing Workbench
  - 2. Supplier 360
  - 3. Electronic Signature on Purchase Order



- Status of Priorities for ePro & Purchasing:
  - Procurement Contracts/Contract & Sourcing Workbench – In Progress
    - Meetings conducted with USO & DOAS representatives.
  - 2. Supplier 360 On hold
    - Oracle issue has prevented delivery
  - 3. Electronic Signature on Purchase Order In Progress
    - Development has started deliver in 2018



- Priorities for Asset Management:
  - 1. Transaction Reversal
  - 2. Physical Inventory
  - 3. Documentation and Training



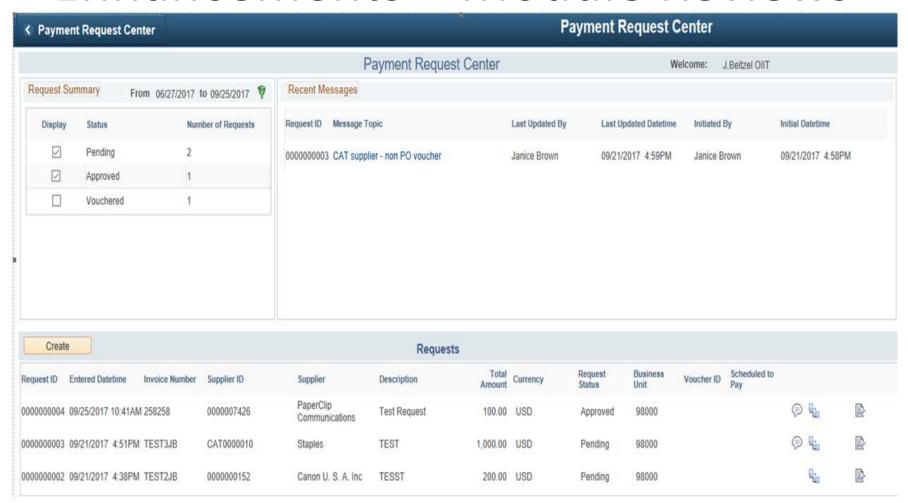
- Status of Priorities for Asset Management:
  - 1. Transaction Reversal Complete
    - Implemented May 2017
  - 2. Physical Inventory On hold
    - Due to change in AM support staff and other priorities
  - 3. Documentation and Training Ongoing
    - Updated all AM Business Processes
    - New BP for Transaction Reversal
    - Monthly Checklist



- Priorities for Accounts Payable:
  - 1. Documentation and Training
  - 2. Voucher Batch Approval (submit for approval)
  - 3. Payment Requests



- Status of Priorities for Accounts Payable:
  - 1. Documentation and Training Ongoing
    - AP Query training, etc.
  - 2. Voucher Batch Approval (submit for approval) **Complete** 
    - Implemented April 2017
  - 3. Payment Requests In Progress
    - Tentatively planning to deliver Spring 2018





- Additional Enhancements for Accounts Payable:
  - 4. Audit Logging Complete
    - Provides a Financial audit trail that captures User ID and date/time of individual performing action.
    - Turned on for Payment Cancellations 4/24/2017.
    - Currently, only ITS Support has access to the audit logs. Users can request this information.
    - ITS will be looking at turning this on for other modules (Journals, Assets, etc.).



- Priorities for Travel & Expenses module:
  - 1. Risk Templates
  - 2. Training and Documentation
  - 3. Attachment capability for Approvers



- Status of Priorities for Travel & Expenses:
  - 1. Risk Templates In Progress
    - Explore using for Expense Reports approaching 60 day threshold. Plan to prototype and test later this year.
  - 2. Training and Documentation Ongoing
    - New T&E Query & Report Job Aid
    - Job aids around Expense Report creation & submission
  - 3. Attachment capability for Approvers **Complete** 
    - Configuration change made in production 05/22/2017



- Additional Enhancements for Travel & Expenses:
  - Configuration Cleanup for Expense Types –
     Complete
    - During MER session, existing values were reviewed and users provided input on changes needed.
    - This cleanup will make for a more user friendly experience and includes items like:
      - Removal of required fields that are no longer necessary.
      - Improved Expense Type Descriptions
    - Changes made in production 5/22/2017.



#### OTHER PROJECTS & INITIATIVES



#### Institutional Consolidations

- July 1, 2017:
  - Albany State University and Darton State College = new Albany State University
- July 1, 2018:
  - Georgia Southern University + Armstrong State
     University = New Georgia Southern University
  - ABAC + Bainbridge College = New ABAC



### **Budget Prep Redesign**

- Required due to implementation of OneUSG Connect.
- Will be used by all Georgia FIRST institutions for FY2019 Budget development.
- Will include additional enhancements proposed by Budget users in Design Session March, 2016.
- System testing in progress.
- User Acceptance Testing will be scheduled later this year.

For more information, attend Christy Todd's session "Budget Prep Redesign" tomorrow at 8:30am



## **Budget Amendment Functionality**

- New Budget Amendment Functionality:
  - Plan to begin development following Budget Prep redesign system and user acceptance testing.
  - Goal is to deliver for institutional use beginning July
     1, 2018 for FY2019 budgets.
  - Our first priority is support of OneUSG so this will be dependent on functional and technical resource availability.



#### OneUSG Connect & Financials Integration

- Financials Integration
  - Significant changes in how data syncs to Financials.
  - Personal data no longer nightly feed, feeds over throughout the day.
- Common Remitter and Benefits Recon
  - Changing January 2018 for Cohort 1 & 2 institutions
    - Access through OneUSG Connect
  - Will remain in Financials for institutions in cohort 3 until go-live.
- OneUSG "Blackout" dates for Cohort 1 institutions
  - In December (schedule still being finalized)
  - We will need to evaluate impact to personal data changes, etc.



### Financials Business Intelligence Solution

- Started exploring potential solutions in 2015.
- One step forward with new Department Manager dashboard.
  - Modeled after Georgia State solution
- Oracle continues to deliver new reporting solutions.
- Roadmap for determining a solution 2018/2019.

Attend the "Oracle Financial Analytics" session Friday @ 9:30am

#### **Grants Suite**

- Implementation of Grants Suite
  - Includes five new modules:
    - Project Costing, Billing, AR, Contracts and Grants
  - Project planning will begin once resources available and approved/prioritized by USO Leader Team.

#### Attend related sessions:

- PSFT Grants Management and Grow Your Portfolio (Thursday @ 2:40pm)
- General Ledger Upcoming Enhancements (Friday @ 8:30am)



## ePro/GFM Implementation Update

- eProcurement & Georgia FIRST Marketplace (GFM)
  - 21 Institutions are using ePro
  - 18 of these also use GFM
    - 2 institutions went live on GFM this year
    - 2 in process of implementing GFM



## Travel & Expense Implementation Update

- PeopleSoft Travel & Expense Module
  - Currently 17 Georgia FIRST institutions are using T&E
  - Continued emphasis on improving user experience
    - July 2016 Configuration change made to turn off budget check for Travel Authorizations (hanging encumbrance issues)
    - December 2016 Daily one line Meal Per Diem added to streamline meal entry
    - May/June 2017 Additional improvements identified in module review sessions

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December 2017 – Fluid User Interface (mobile)

## Questions



