GOING PAPERLESS: HOW ISSS OFFICES HAVE SUCCEEDED

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• Require a Champion

• Purdue implemented Banner Xtender Solution (Now BDMS) and our Dean of Admissions required a paperless admission process beginning with the next admission cycle

• How We Did It

- Utilized BDMS for all "pre" immigration documents
- Utilized fsaATLAS document storage feature and task list to move immigration to a paperless world
- Utilized a cutoff date, to determine where to find artifacts
- Did not destroy paper artifact until the scanned image was reviewed by "2 sets of eyes"
- We now have an online Notification of Intent that allows us to capture data and documents directly from the student, no more paper mail/faxes or trying to read handwriting
- Just now beginning the process of eliminating our "before paperless" immigration files, on track to finish by early October

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- Thoughts to Help You Get Through It
 - Generate buy-in and keep the lines of communication open
 - Encourage staff feedback and new ideas to make things better
 - Redesign your business processes before you go live, but be flexible enough to change them on the fly
 - E-Ship Global
 - You will need more scanners than you think
 - There will be days of complete frustration, hang in there, it gets better
 - Hire the help you need in the beginning. Don't let things get overwhelming and impossible to manage. It's amazing how dedicated student employees are when you're paying them to scan/index while listening to their I-Pods
 - Control the things you can, let go of the frustration from things beyond your control

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- Programs Used
 - sunapsis
 - Paperport
- Paperless Components
 - All "active" folders
 - All new files from _____ (date decided by you) forward
 - e-forms for most applications
 - Temporary paper files, scanned at completion of application processing
- Support from Higher Administration
 - Scanners, software and tech support for all advisors
 - Outside scanning for all active folders *

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Challenges

- Being without files if you send them off to be scanned
- The "in-between" time some scanned files, some paper-based
- How information will be stored, if you have the choice
- Access can you get in and see your info at all times?

Successes

- No more "I can't find this student/scholar folder!" panic
- Flows nicely with e-forms (including development of new)
- Review/changes to business processes
- Data integrity

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- Programs Used
 - Banner
 - fsaAtlas
- Paperless Components
 - New student registration
 - Current student immigration transactions
 - Letters, additional documentation, etc.
 - Notes/comments in student files
- Support from Higher Administration
 - Purchased three scanners
 - Outside company scanned active files
 - Sungard Summit for fsaAtlas

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Challenges

- Request forms
- Developing new procedures
- High volume times of year

Successes

- New Student Registration!
- Consistent naming conventions
- Opportunity to review internal procedures/forms

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