

# University of Louisiana at Lafayette

## Detailed Assessment Report 2015-2016 Advancement Services

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(Includes those Action Plans with Budget Amounts marked *One-Time, Recurring, No Request.*)

### Other Outcomes/Objectives, with Any Associations and Related Measures, Targets, Findings, and Action Plans

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#### O/O 1: Refine Millennium Database

Refine Millennium database in regard to personal and business addresses. Upgrade Millennium database from Version 7.4 to Millennium 2013.

#### Related Measures

##### M 1: Mailing Addresses

Utilize Accurant, Correct Address, Correct Call and Correct Zip to research and update personal and business mailing addresses in Millennium.

Source of Evidence: Activity volume

#### **Target:**

Lower undeliverable pieces of mail

#### **Finding (2015-2016) - Target: Met**

Research and update of 2,910 addresses in the Millennium database. Sources such as Alumni Finder (paid source), returned mail and Alumni online updates provide the most accurate information.

#### **Related Action Plans (by Established cycle, then alpha):**

##### **Daily updating and tracking**

Daily updating of addresses and tracking of mailings and returns.

**Established in Cycle:** 2009-2010

**Implementation Status:** In-Progress

**Priority:** High

**Relationships (Measure | Outcome/Objective):**

**Measure:** Mailing Addresses | **Outcome/Objective:** Refine Millennium Database

##### **Install Visual Analyzer**

The upgrade was necessary in order to be able to purchase, install, and prepare to add on Visual Analyzer which will produce dashboards and reports. The university administration will benefit from the dashboards produced by Advancement Services. The Action Plan for 2015-16 is to install Visual Analyzer.

**Established in Cycle:** 2014-2015

**Implementation Status:** Planned

**Priority:** High

**Relationships (Measure | Outcome/Objective):**

**Measure:** Mailing Addresses | **Outcome/Objective:** Refine Millennium Database

## Millennium Database

**O/O 2: Populate Database with Email Addresses**

Improve Millennium database by populating email addresses in 75% of active alumni records.

**Related Measures****M 2: Email Addresses**

Utilize Harris Connect directory to research and populate 10,000 email addresses in alumni records in Millennium.

Source of Evidence: Activity volume

**Target:**

Utilize Firefly to send email blast to 17,000 emails. Eliminate bounce backs and import valid addresses in Millennium.

**Finding (2015-2016) - Target: Met**

Emails have continued to be researched and updated in Millennium. Resources such as the Alumni Grad Expo have provided current emails on recent graduates. Alumni who update information online also are a positive source. Emails are manually entered in Alumni/Donor records. Currently 48,062 emails are housed in the Millennium database.

**Related Action Plans (by Established cycle, then alpha):****Import valid email addresses**

Receive findings, remove bounce backs, and import valid email addresses. Continue to discover new avenues to obtain valid email addresses and enter into database.

**Established in Cycle:** 2009-2010

**Implementation Status:** Planned

**Priority:** High

**Relationships (Measure | Outcome/Objective):**

**Measure:** Email Addresses | **Outcome/Objective:** Populate Database with Email Addresses

**O/O 3: Software Conversion**

Conversion from Sage Millennium database to Ellucian Banner Advancement. Involvement of multiple week long site sessions and remote sessions with Ellucian consultants. Mapping of data, clean up data projects, data extractions, completion of online tutorials to learn how to navigate this new system before go-live date.

**Related Measures****M 4: Consulting Sessions**

Participate in on-site campus and remote sessions with Ellucian consultants to prepare for conversion.

Source of Evidence: Benchmarking

**Target:**

Schedule meetings to prepare processes which will be converted into the new Banner system.

**Finding (2015-2016) - Target: Met**

Prepared step-by-step of all major processes necessary for Advancement

Services to perform daily, weekly, monthly and annual duties and responsibilities.

## **Analysis Questions and Analysis Answers**

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### **How were assessment results shared and evaluated within the unit?**

Weekly meetings/training sessions are used to communicate ongoing goals and priorities associated with software conversion. User end training sessions will be conducted when actual data is in the Test instance.

### **Identify which action plans [created in prior cycle(s)] were implemented in this current cycle. For each of these implemented plans, were there any measurable or perceivable effects? How, if at all, did the findings appear to be affected by the implemented action plan?**

Action Plan: Refine Millennium database in regard to personal and business addresses.  
Upgrade Millennium database from Version 7.4 to Millennium 2013.

Personal and business addresses were increased which led to improved communication with Alumni and donors of the University.

The result of the database upgrade to Millennium 2013 allowed the installation and implementation of DRIVE. Abila® Millennium Drive is an easy-to-use and interactive way for users to explore information about their active prospects and about other constituents, about their tasks, and about their portfolio of major gift proposals. Millennium Drive provides an improved user experience for viewing Abila Millennium data. Data is gathered from Biographical, Giving, and Prospect Management, and presented for viewing and analysis in a variety of ways.

### **What has the unit learned from the current assessment cycle? What is working well, and what is working less well in achieving desired outcomes?**

A university wide software conversion is a major and intense endeavor which requires support and communication throughout the university. The Advancement Team has taken individual ownership in learning the new software. There has been extreme dedication to this major project.

Having actual data available during training would have been beneficial.