A changing season

August is here, and it's bringing change: new students, new semester, new roles and workflows. Things are changing, and there's excitement in the air. Our Workday team at DIS is ushering in this season with our Workday roadshows. We have started locally with presentations here at the UMMC-Jackson and Clinton campuses, and next week (on August 15), we'll hit the road to visit our Grenada and Lexington teams. We are keeping track of the questions you ask as well, so stay tuned for a "Frequently Asked Questions" section on this site, which will come soon!

In other news, we are right on track in building our Workday curriculum so that we can begin training later in the fall. Keep an eye out for more information in the coming months, as we'll keep you informed about training early and often. In the meantime, take a look at our Workday "First Glance" videos on the website. These will give you an overview of how Workday will fit into your specific role at UMMC, and provide some clarity on the flow of Workday, time tracking, time off, and more.

If you have not attended a Roadshow yet, check our schedule to see when we'll visit near you. We only have a few left this month, so join us and bring your questions. We are looking forward to seeing you on the road!
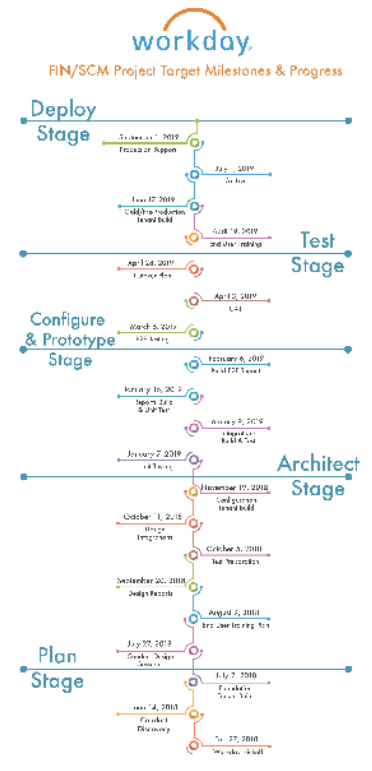
Where are we in the project?

The HCM and Payroll Unit testing is complete. The team will begin Customer Confirmation Sessions next week. These sessions are designed to allow for a walkthrough of the system configurations of business processes that have been built. These are cross functional and intended for the project team. End to End testing will be conducted for the HCM work streams starting the middle of September through October. To better align with the needs of the organization, SCI team is fine-tuning the processes and workflows that were identified and entered as change requests during unit testing.

The Financials team has identified their unit testing team. Unit testing will occur in late Fall for the financials team. The graphic to the right will provide you with a holistic view of the Financials/Supply Chain Project Target Milestones and Progress at this point. These dates are targeted and subject to change if needed. Click on the image for a full view of the timeline.

The Integrations Team will begin the Code-A-Thon next week with our implementation partners. This intensive, focused week is when the team will build and finalize the vital integrations of systems like Kronos with Workday.

The Workday Education User Group, chaired by Dr. David Fowler, held its inaugural meeting on July 26, 2018. During this session, members discussed functionality, policies/business processes, and trends in higher education that will shape the way we configure and utilize the Workday Student module. Monthly meetings are scheduled for the remainder of 2018 and will continue in 2019.

FAQs

If I am unable to attend a live session of the Workday Roadshow, will there be an opportunity to view a recording?

We should have a recorded session available for anyone to view by the end of next week on our Workday website.

What is a Worklet?

The Workday landing page displays icons they have defined as worklets. These worklets give you access to tasks that can be performed, data that can be viewed, and links for additional resources.

Will everyone have the same homepage view in Workday?

With Workday, you have the ability to customize your worklets and move them around in the order you want them. The data behind the worklets is populated based on who you are in the organization and your security in the system, but you will have the ability to change the look and feel of the landing page (homepage) to what works for you in your daily work life and processes.