

NDSU Project Status Dashboard

March 3, 2021

Project Overview						
Project Name: NDSU Academic Program Prioritization						
SOW Date: 1/7/2021	Schedule Status: Good					
Project Timeline: January 2021 – April 2021	Budget Status: Good					
Status Update: 3/3/2021	Scope Status: Good					

Engagement Timeline:

Activity by Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	′	8	9	10	11	12
Project Initiation													
Academic Portfolio Assessment													
Positioning Study													
Campus Engagement													

Executive Status Summary:

Huron is in week 7 of the 12-week project and is preparing for the upcoming mid-point presentation with the Deans in week 8. Last week, Huron concluded its model validation and customization workshops with each Dean, continued detailed market analysis, and began finalizing the presentation materials for the mid-point presentation. With data validation workbooks initially returned from some colleges and further analysis of personnel and financial data, Huron has been able to further analyze, summarize, and refine the academic model.

This week, Huron will conclude the campus survey and thoroughly analyze the received responses. Survey results, additional data validation workbooks returned from the colleges, and further analysis of coursework, personnel, and financial data will be integrated into the cost to educate model and resulting presentation materials. Huron will continue to refine and finalize the presentation, which will include detail related to key themes, campus survey responses, model development methodology, academic costs, and market positioning, as well as a framework for evaluating and selecting opportunities for further evaluation following the mid-point presentation.

The project remains on schedule, on budget, and there are no scope concerns.

Project Activity Summary – Collaboration Project Summary

Activities Completed: 2/15/21 - 2/19/21

- Prepared materials for remaining Deans workshops
- Completed four academic Dean workshops including Science & Mathematics, Health Professions, Business, and the Graduate School
- Discussed potential opportunities for program growth with College Deans for CSM, CHP, COB, and Grad
- Met with Bruce Bollinger, Cindy Rott, and Karin Hegstad to review financial and tuition receipt data
- Scheduled and began developing materials for department chair presentation
- Continued the collection, summary, and analysis of responses to engagement survey
- Conducted detailed analysis and proportional distribution of financial overhead to departments and colleges
- Forecasted trends for select occupations in the Fargo-Moorhead and Twin Cities Metropolitan Statistical Areas, North Dakota and Minnesota, and the United States
- Analyzed the competitive landscape of NDSU and peer programs, relative to the labor market, to begin identifying additional opportunities
- Analyzed historical spend and enrollment trends for NDSU
- Continued developing materials for inclusion in engagement mid-point meeting
- Continued developing cost-to-educate model by validating data analysis with Deans and applying financial data to course offerings
- Continue integration of tuition receipt data into the cost-to-educate model
- · Finalized employee compensation assessment and integrated into cost-to-educate model

Planned Activities: 2/22/21 - 2/26/21

- Finalize materials for department chair presentation
- · Prepare and collaborate on college-specific data validation materials resulting from feedback gathered during dean workshops
- Schedule and begin developing materials for department chair presentation



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- Continue developing cost-to-educate model by integrating dean feedback from workshops and data validation workbooks to finalize allocation of load and financials to coursework
- Using the cost-to-educate model, analyze opportunities for increased efficiency and/or effectiveness throughout the academic portfolio, and align them with the market analysis
- Continue developing materials for inclusion in engagement mid-point meeting
- Send final survey reminder and close campus survey
- Read and code survey responses to identify common themes and additional potential opportunities
- Organize and rank potential opportunities for discussion during the engagement mid-point meeting

Highlighted Risks and/or Issues				Overall Project Risk Level: Low					
ID	Risk/Issue Description	Propability Impact		Project Impact and Mitigation/ Remediation Approach	Risk/ Issue Owner	Target Close Date			
n/a	Delayed receipt of data validation workbooks from Deans	n/a	Medium	Will coordinate with Deans' teams to expedite feedback returns	Danielle Bailey	3/2/21			

Current	Critical Decisions	
Status	ltem	Decision
n/a	n/a	n/a

Huron Two-week Availability										
Huron Personnel	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	3/1	3/2	3/3	3/4	3/5	3/8	3/9	3/10	3/11	3/12
Peter Stokes	Available									
Mike Cogan	Available									
Mara Hill	000	Available								
Danielle Bailey	Available									
Matt Williams	Available									

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