Quarterly Project Status

Project Status
- **Resources** – Consistent with other UC locations, UCSB needs to immediately add significant project resources in the areas of information technology, business analysis, and functional expertise. We are waiting for the project budget and staffing plan to be approved by campus leadership.

- **Scope** – We need to determine what is required to support new processes and changed business processes in UCPath, and the loss of specific PPS customizations. This is critical to fully understand the impact of UCPath on our campus. We won’t be able to move forward with this analysis until the project receives proper funding.

- **Schedule** – Our ability to meet our 7/1/2015 go live date, as currently set by UCOP, is compromised by the lack of resources to analyze the local impact of system-wide decisions. View the timeline at [http://www.pmo.ucsb.edu/ucpath/ucpath-timeline](http://www.pmo.ucsb.edu/ucpath/ucpath-timeline).

Accomplishments
- **Data Conversion & Cleansing** – We have completed a preliminary review of PPS data cleansing activities and are drafting a communication to departments to announce the beginning of these activities. This memo will include a “living” best practices document to instruct departments on best ways to maintain PPS data going forward.

- **Application Development & Unit Testing** – We have documented 80+ interfaces that affect Identity Management, the Student Information System, the Financial System, Effort Reporting, the Time & Attendance System (Kronos), and the Parking System. We need to review each one of them, and assess and document their impact on campus.

- **Business Process Design** – We kicked off the business process design workstream on 9/9. Immediate priorities include: establishing a team that balances participation from the central offices and departments, and consolidating and categorizing existing design materials.

- **Operational Data Store** – We kicked off this workstream on 9/18. Immediate priorities include: architecting a SFTP, ODS, OFS, and OTS solution; and drafting governance and best practices for the use of this new infrastructure.

- **Communication** – A campus-wide systems communication network was set up in early August, and a survey to assess the effectiveness of PMO communications was sent to this network in late August. Findings have been shared with the local UCPath Sponsors, Steering Committee, and Advisory Committee. The findings are located at: [http://www.pmo.ucsb.edu/communications/systems-communications-network](http://www.pmo.ucsb.edu/communications/systems-communications-network).

*Thank you to everyone who participated.* We take your input seriously and are working on recommendations to address the common themes and concerns that surfaced.

Looking Forward
UCOP is currently conducting an 8-week health check of the system-wide UCPath project to better understand what is/is not working and whether the right resources are in the right places. Early findings point to a need for increased collaboration between the campuses and the need to support Wave 1 locations to ensure their success. UCSB is committed to doing all we can to ensure the success of Wave 1. We are currently working with campus leaders to get funding for this mandated project and to assess ways to mitigate the concerns expressed in the local communications survey.

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