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## About CurricUNET

The award-winning CurricUNET System is a Web-based system that automates the curriculum approval processes for both courses and programs at institutions of high education. Developed in 1998, CurricUNET has been acquired by more than 300 colleges and universities in 11 US states, 2 provinces of Canada, and the countrywide Higher Colleges of Technology in the United Arab Emirates.

In addition to its use by individual institutions, CurricUNET has also been adopted as the official statewide curriculum approval and reporting system by 3 state community college systems, including the California Community College System (112 colleges), the Illinois Community College System (45 colleges), and the Iowa Community College System (16 colleges). In these states, CurricUNET not only automates local, on-campus processes, but also all processes with their respective state boards or Chancellor's Office. This includes all workflow, data collection, document management, and related processing.

In all cases, CurricUNET also creates a comprehensive curriculum database containing all approved course outlines of record (or master syllabi) and program/degree requirements. This allows participating institutions to search for any course outline or program/degree report at any other participating institution. This instant access to 100% of each institution's curriculum thus provides significant facilitation of desired articulation for transfer purposes, as well as support for program review and curriculum update activities. The current CurricUNET database contains more than 550,000 course outlines of record and 23,000 program/degree reports.

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## CurricUNET Fact Sheet

- CurricUNET is an award-winning software platform designed to automate, standardize and streamline the processes of course development, curriculum management, syllabus approval and course program publishing. Recent awards include:
  - WhyITNow.org – Leadership Award
  - CA Community Colleges Chancellor's Office – Technology Focus Award
  - League TLC – Innovation Focus Award
- CurricUNET offers a flexible, reliable and cost effective solution that can be adapted to any size institution or network of institutions and customized according to each institution's unique requirements.
- Since its initial development in 1998, CurricUNET has now been adopted by more than 300 colleges and universities worldwide. This includes institutions in 11 states in the United States, 2 provinces in Canada, and the countrywide Higher Colleges of Technology system in the United Arab Emirates. CurricUNET currently serves three higher education systems in the U.S.:
  - California Community College System (112 colleges)
  - Illinois Community College System (45 colleges)
  - Iowa Community College System (16 colleges)
- At both the local level and the state level, CurricUNET has demonstrated significant savings of time, cost and resources in the development of an institution's curriculum. This is achieved through modular design, workflow automation, integrated document management, and Web delivery.
  - CurricUNET saves institutions time by automating curriculum development, syllabus approval and management processes, on average reducing curriculum approval time by more than 70%.
  - CurricUNET saves institutions money by significantly reducing paper use, saving clerical hours, eliminating redundancies and minimizing postage. One institution reported a study which identified over 2,300 hours of savings per year.
  - CurricUNET significantly reduces consumption of natural resources such as trees, water and fossil fuels used to manufacture and transport paper
  - CurricUNET reduces paper waste and pollution
- CurricUNET is Web-based and, therefore, fully accessible and searchable by faculty, staff, students and researchers.
- CurricUNET provides simplified access to shared curriculum databases globally, which allows institutions to become progressively more collaborative and accessible to students who rely on curriculum selection when making critical decisions about their educational paths. To date, the database contains more than 500,000 course outlines that subscribing institutions can use for comparison and reviews.
- CurricUNET is the premier curriculum management system that has been successfully integrated into higher learning institutions internationally.
- CurricUNET is platform independent – the system works with any major operating system (i.e. PC/Mac) and web-based interface.



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## CurricUNET Products & Services

- **Data Conversion Services:** Provides data conversion services to both electronically and manually transfer Client's existing currently active courses and programs from their current sources, whether electronic or paper-based, into the CurricUNET database. If Client wishes to also convert inactive, archived data, such services will be quoted separately on a fixed-cost, project basis.
- **Onsite Training Services:** Provides onsite training to Client staff, at appropriate facilities selected by Client. The number of Client staff accommodated by this service will only be limited by the capacity of the selected facility and the number of days chosen by Client.
- **Articulation Module:** Provides an articulation module that allows the institution to manage all its articulation agreements with other institutions, including both public and private institutions. This module maintains a repository of all the institution's bilateral articulation agreements, and also interfaces electronically, where needed, with statewide articulation databases.
- **Document Management Module:** Provides a document management module that allows users to attach electronic documents (Word, Excel, PDF, etc.) to their proposals at any stage, and to have reviewers view those documents along with the proposal. This module may also be used to retroactively create a course/program archive of scanned paper versions of historical course outlines and program/degree reports from pre-CurricUNET years.
- **Automated Program Review Module:** Provides customization and implementation services for an automated program review module, with integration to the CurricUNET system and other Client application systems as needed. This module creates a matrix of data elements derived from multiple other information sources, which are needed for comprehensive program review. The data is carried through all successive review periods for comparison purposes. Supporting graphics are also provided.
- **Textbook Management Module:** Provides customization and implementation services for an automated textbook management module, with integration to the CurricUNET system and other client systems as needed. This module captures detailed book information in multiple standard formats. The database can be interfaced to multiple sources such as college bookstores or state text databases.
- **Student Advisement Module:** Provides customization and implementation services for an automated student advisement module, with integration to the CurricUNET system and other client systems as needed. This module integrates the curriculum database and the institution's student database to provide comprehensive tracking of a student's progress toward a degree/award. Term by term progress is tracked against degree requirements. Recommendations are based on student grades, course drops, etc.



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## CurricUNET Products & Services (Continued)

- **AgendaNET System:** Provides customization and implementation services for an automated agenda development system for Board of Trustee meeting agendas, including item submission processing, approval workflow, agenda production, recording of votes and minutes, and archiving. This module is ideal for large institutions that have complex agendas requiring automated workflow of individual item submissions by multiple parties. It provides all in-meeting and post-meeting processing of the agenda activities.
- **Outcome Assessment Module:** Provides customization and implementation services for an automated student learning outcome assessment module that is integrated with CurricUNET. This module systematically records, tracks, and reports the level of attainment of the student learning outcomes at the course, program, and institution levels, which are initially identified in CurricUNET. All processing is Web-based.
- **Syllabus Builder Module:** Provides customization and implementation services for an automated syllabus builder module that guides instructors in the automated building of the section syllabi for their course sections. The module brings forward all required data from the course outline database and populates the section syllabus template allowing instructors to add or amend those items amended by college policy.
- **CurricUNET Ad Hoc Report Writer:** Provides access and training in the use of the CurricUNET Ad Hoc Report writer that is integrated with CurricUNET. This tool allows a registered user to assemble and print ad hoc reports by specifying which data elements in the CurricUNET database they wish to extract and report on. A variety of report format and assembly functions are provided.
- **Institutional Planning Module:** Provides customization and implementation services for automated institutional planning, and the Automated Program Review Module and Outcome Assessment Module. The system creates a Web-based mechanism for creation, tracking, management, and reporting for an enterprise strategic plan. Templated input of institution mission, values, goal areas, goals, and initiatives/projects is provided. The system assigns accountability for plan components to designated owners and then tracks and reports results determined by user-specified performance measures.

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