



CLIENT SUCCESS STORY

Michigan State Modernizes its Student Systems with Oracle Campus Solutions and Student Financial Planning

Michigan State University (MSU) is one of the nation's largest R1 academic and research institutions, with over 50,000 students and 200 programs across 17 colleges. Oracle designated MSU as part of its Charter Program for implementing SFP, which allowed the University to identify gaps in the system and work with Oracle to find potential solutions.

Project Summary

Sierra-Cedar and MSU implemented Campus Solutions 9.2 and replaced ProSAM with Oracle Student Financial Planning. Initially involving on-site consultants, the project transitioned to a fully remote arrangement due to COVID-19. The joint team excelled by leveraging the trust and relationships they established early on. MSU was the first R1 university to implement SFP and the only institution to launch both Campus Solutions and SFP simultaneously.

Key Objectives

- 01 Enhance** the overall academic experience to support student success.
- 02 Prepare** MSU for a future transition to a next-generation Student Information System (SIS).
- 03 Minimize** reliance on shadow systems.
- 04 Deploy**, to the extent possible, without customizations.
- 05 Streamline** the timely awarding and disbursing of financial aid while maintaining compliance, flexibility, efficiency, and accuracy.



Client Benefits

MSU has consistently achieved outstanding results each year since going live. During the 2024-25 aid year with Oracle SFP, MSU was able to:

- ✓ Award 18% more Pell Eligible students
- ✓ Roll out a new Institutional Grant to the neediest 20% of in-state students
- ✓ Disburse a record-setting \$444 million in student aid for fall, all while dealing with the uncertainty of the FAFSA Simplification roll-out



In 2018 we partnered with Sierra-Cedar to replace a 30-year-old SIS as well as implement Student Financial Planning. Within three years we completed the implementation of both systems on time and under budget allowing MSU to better support our students on their academic journeys.”

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