AMA Education System Implements and Integrates PeopleSoft Campus Solutions for Future Growth

Client Overview
AMA University is the first ICT University in the Philippines and in Asia. The University serves as the flagship brand of the AMA Education System (AMAES). AMAES is made up of more than 130 schools in the Philippines, Hong Kong, Bahrain, Iraq, Indonesia, Macau, Nigeria, Oman, and Jeddah. AMAES offers seven careers, around 525 programs for all the institutions, and almost 100 bachelor’s degrees across all careers, five master’s degrees, and two doctoral degrees in IT, Business Administration, and Medicine fields.

Challenges
AMAES recognized the importance of re-implementing its ERP applications to take advantage of various capabilities available in more current versions of the PeopleSoft CS applications. One of the major challenges was to bring all AMA-owned colleges and affiliated colleges under one system where proper rules could be defined and followed. In addition, the current system was capturing student data in multiple systems, making it difficult to consolidate all the data. There were complex rules for calculating tuition fees for the students, and some of the calculations were being handled manually.

Solution
Sierra-Cedar India worked with the project team to create a comprehensive project work plan at the project’s inception that was used throughout the project to resolve competing timelines and schedules, identify key milestones and anticipate stress points that could affect the attainment of these milestones, and assign the exact resources needed to keep the implementation on schedule. Campus Solutions was implemented for multiple campuses spread across various geographical locations.

Student data was converted from multiple legacy systems into PeopleSoft. The complexity of the fee calculation was handled by using the advanced features of the delivered product. Reporting has become much simpler and a single platform has been established to streamline data consolidation for all owned and affiliated colleges.

Results
The AMAES completed this implementation project on schedule. A base has been established to bring in all the owned and affiliated colleges into one single system. Campus Solutions has become more user friendly. With this implementation AMAES has achieved its objective: To provide the University community with an efficient and effective student information system that supports the University’s mission, integrates with existing systems, and adapts to growth and change.