Enterprise Systems Upgrade Project

Vision Statement
The purpose of the Enterprise Systems Upgrade project is to continue to contribute to the University's goal of establishing itself as a leading institution by providing an enterprise solution, backed by processes, systems and methodologies across administrative functions, that:

- Keep information appropriately kept at an enterprise level
- provides accurate, timely, comprehensive and access to that information;
- supports risk management;
- simplifies, streamlines and integrates business processes;
- reduces implementation, modification and support costs by using the packaged solution, as much as possible, out-of-the-box or "vanilla";
- increases value to the University through increased functionality, enhancements and user friendliness; and
- is flexible, adaptable, intuitive and reliable.

Guiding Principles and Values
- All major stakeholder units will be equal and accountable partners in the Enterprise Systems Upgrade Project.
- Active consultation and participation of leaders and end users.
- Review all business processes to identify where delivered functionality can meet business needs. Customization of the system will only be allowed where a compelling business case exists.
- Identify opportunities for policy revision and process improvements to maximize new system capabilities.
- Identify opportunities to eliminate redundant work, overlap and unnecessary complexities.
- Enterprise Systems should be reviewed for appropriate central vs. local business process use.
- Enterprise Systems should be user-friendly while maintaining optimal business functionality.