Strategy Implementation Groups (SIGs)



Promoting a Digital Mindset

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Objectives:

This SIG aims to foster and promote a digital mindset by focusing on three levels of digital literacy.

At the **foundational level**, this SIG seeks to understand the gap between the potential of Microsoft tools, which Carleton has already invested in, and their actual use/uptake. The SIG then aims to close this gap by enhancing F&A's knowledge, comfort, and use of these tools.

At the **mid-level**, this SIG aims to develop some best practices around key processes and tools to support consistency, efficiency, and effectiveness across F&A teams and departments.

At the **more advanced level**, this SIG aims to pilot the use of artificial intelligence (Co-Pilot) among a defined group and task to capture and share the challenges, opportunities, and potential impact.



Updates:

- Digital Mindset Questionnaire
 - Assess knowledge, use, skill, need and potential for 12 Microsoft tools/applications
 - Please complete! We are looking for feedback from all of F&A
- ITS training on Co-Pilot
- Terms for Co-Pilot pilots being developed, pilot groups being identified



F&A Front Door

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Objectives

This SIG aims to **enhance efficiency** by reducing the volume of mis-directed inquiries and the time or steps it takes to direct them to the right team/department. By reducing inefficiencies, this SIG also aims to enhance F&A customer/client satisfaction.

The SIG will:

- Understand the volume/impact of this issue
- Identify common questions/issues to be addressed in phase one
- Create a web-based tool/page that can better direct faculty and staff to the appropriate team for the key questions/issues identified
- Identify ways to assess, improve and expand upon this pilot



Update:

- Learning from the City's 311 system
- Identified top "misdirected inquiries" coming to F&A departments
- Exploring Co-Pilot and its potential to direct inquiries
- Connected with Info Carleton to ensure alignment and support



Software Rationalization

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Objectives

SIG Software Rationalization will review application inventory and make recommendations on which applications should be retired, retained or consolidated.

- Assess current state:
- Build transitional state and collect information:

Long-Term

- Review transitional processes used to collect, present and store software information.
- Collaborate with key stakeholders to create and promote a standard process for software requests, procurement, license management and reporting.



Update:

- Scan of university-level data of "software" and software-related categories from eShop, Concur and Pcard
- Key findings
 - Purchases for individual subscriptions where enterprise versions exits (e.g. Microsoft, Zoom, DocuSign)
 - Purchases for tools that could potentially be covered through our Microsoft package (e.g. YouCanBookMe, Calendly, Doodle, Survey Monkey, MailChimp, Plannerly).
 - Purchases for website hosting tools/sites (e.g. Wordpress, Wix, GoDaddy, SquareSpace)
 - Multiple purchases for tools where we don't have enterprise options (e.g. Mural, Miro, Grammarly, Prezi, Parallels, Albebits)
- Question within Digital Mindset survey re: non-Microsoft Tools



Space Management

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Objectives

The ultimate goal for this SIG is to reduce F&A's footprint within Pigiarvik to free up space for the Faculty of Science (FOS). Within this year, this SIG will:

- Assess and map F&A's current space usage across campus
- Assess and map space usage and opportunities within Pigiarvik
- Draft proposal for how to rationalize F&A's total space within Pigiarvik and develop a functional program to support different needs and functions such as a conversion of existing space to suit the needs of FOS
- Understand the financial implications of these changes and develop a budget to support the change in use



Updates:

- Pigiarvik Space Utilization Study
 - Examined Building Data, Floor Plans as of June 2024, Variables used for space review, Floor Area distribution per Dept per Level, F&A Space and Staff Distribution, Carleton Space Guidelines & Council of Ontario University Guidelines, F&A Space and Staff Distribution - Average sqm/person
- Connecting with non-F&A Departments in Pigiarvik
- Potential plans and budget

