



SharePoint Architecture and Strategic Planning

Comprised of three smaller colleges, this Colorado-based University offers classes to more than 16,000 students in a campus setting and through online programs at the undergraduate, graduate and doctorate levels. The University has been meeting the needs of students through innovative classroom-based and online programs designed to prepare learners to become leaders in the service of others.

Industry

- **SharePoint 2010 Enterprise**
- **Active Directory Federation Service**

Challenge

Provide users a seamless and secure means of accessing University services, including targeted content, collaboration environments, and 3rd party applications such as the University's Learning Management System.

Solution

Neudesic helped develop a strategic road map for SharePoint technologies and integration points to frame the website redevelopment effort and future integration objectives in technical terms related to SharePoint.

Benefits

- Equips IT for development of a road map for student and staff-oriented projects with other University departments
- University can provide a single sign-on environment to 3rd party applications through SharePoint
- IT leadership will have the information they need to explain the benefits, costs and considerations for various road map items to stakeholders

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The Challenge

The University is standardizing on the SharePoint 2010 platform for the school's public web presence, and internal services to students, faculty and staff. It is the vision of the University's CIO to provide users a seamless and secure means of accessing University services, including targeted content, collaboration environments, and 3rd party applications such as the University's Learning



The Solution

Neudesic and the University's ITS department developed a strategic road map for SharePoint technologies and integration points. The goal was to frame the website redevelopment effort and future integration objectives in technical terms related to SharePoint, thereby equipping the CIO with the information needed to weigh the benefits, costs and dependencies for the road map items. To lay the foundation for a single-sign on experience, Neudesic installed and configured Active Directory Federation Services (ADFS) to work with the University's new SharePoint 2010 environment and remediated the sign-on issues associated with the integration of these technologies.



The Benefit

Neudesic's solution provides the University's IT leaders with the information they need to explain to stakeholders the benefits, costs and considerations for various road map items and, ultimately, will

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help them develop a road map for student and staff-oriented projects with other University departments such as marketing and admissions. Additionally, with the ADFS foundation in-place, the University can provide a single sign-on environment to third party applications through SharePoint.