

Goals of the Data Modernization Initiative (DMI)

The goal of DMI is to equip internal and external stakeholders with actionable insight and data for decision-making purposes. We aim to accomplish this through three main priorities:

Redesigned Infrastructure

Design and implement a modern, flexible, scalable, secure data architecture to:

- Streamline data submission and management
- Support efficient provisioning of data products

Deliver user-centered value through improved data submission methods, dynamic access, robust governance and security

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Expand Data Offerings

Deliver user-centered value through high-priority data products

More readily available reporting and analysis derived from integrated tri-agency data sets

Increased support for strategic use cases of interest to institutional leaders and other agency partners

Embed Continuous Improvement

Update data usage and sharing agreements to allow desired reporting while maintaining governance and control

Evolve current business processes and website to support new offerings

Establish disciplined product management to keep products relevant, including robust web analytics

Build routines for stakeholder engagement, feedback, and involvement

DMI and Talent Strong Texas metrics roll out as of 4/21/2023

Q2 2023

Q3

Q4

- Launch new FADS submission portal for all institutions
- Launch 3 initial privileged reports with select IHE partners (transfer, persistence/graduation, labor market outcomes)
- Public release of MVP data website including statewide TST visualizations
- Internal release of MVP data website incl statewide TST visualizations
- Complete development and user testing of privileged portal reports and secure data portal access

- Pilot secure enclave with select project(s)
- Evaluate focus group feedback on existing data products (Almanac, Accountability System)
- Complete development of institution-specific TST dashboards
- Complete proof of concept and prioritization for data analytics pipeline
- Complete data migration
- Develop FY24/25 roadmaps and resourcing strategies

- Launch institution-specific TST metrics public dashboards
- Evaluate data site utilization and adjust road map as needed
- Secure resources for FY24 roadmaps and begin implementation

Launch deliverables Supporting work

Implementation Roadmap Through Q2 2023

✓ Established technical and production environments for testing and developmen

- ✓ Launched work to support development of:
 - Submission of course and program information
 - Privileged data portal and secure data
 - Initial hiring of DataOps team Planning and creation of data management
 - zones Proof-of-Concept to improve cloud
 - performance
 - Completed onboarding of secure enclave/privileged reports vendor

 - Executed Tri-Agency data sharing agreement and initial research inventory
 - Identified suitable data dictionary solution Launched internal data governance website resource for centralized access to policies and processes
- Approved agency data suppression policy
- Launched main agency website, including fully onboarding new agency web developer Completed vendor work on data visualizations for refreshed data site

- Fine tune quality assurance and user testing
- Continue development work on secure data portal and initial privileged report products
- Launch initial privileged data reports (transfer.
- Continue data migration and pipeline work per roadmap
 - Launch data operations team and develop data management zone workplan

- Continue stakeholder outreach and feedback based on change management and stakeholder engager plans
- Continue training internal team on new cloud
- Launch CBM certification feature in data submission
- Launch new Financial Aid Data System (FADS) data submission portal for use by pilot institutions submitting reports using the modernized
- Implement agency data suppression policy in data products and pipelines
- Finalize Tri-Agency Data Work Group 2023 project charter to guide development of Tri-Agency governance structures, policies, and processes based on data sharing agreement
- Plan and resource implementation of a comprehensive, accessible data dictionary Finalize additional policies for data access and use
- Prepare for launch of refreshed data site Initiate and implement internal change management training, including policy changes Conduct workshop with internal stakeholders to build
- 2023-24 roadmap Develop consolidated product road maps and resourcing plans for post-GEER work

- Complete focus group work with external stakeholder group(s) on key THECB data offerings (accountability systems, Almanac)
- Hire and onboard new Data Governance Director
- Finalize and implement key governance policies and processes (e.g., internal access and use, ad hoc requests)
- Launch refreshed agency data website utilizing new UI/UX design, including initial dashboards
- Refine consolidated architecture and migration plan

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