



# ELEVATE

*Elevating our ERP system to the cloud at UMD.*

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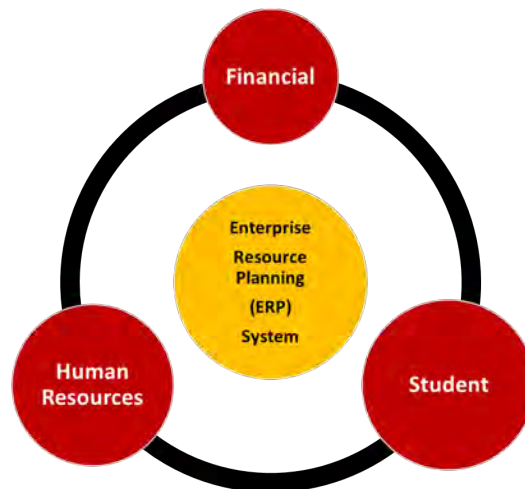
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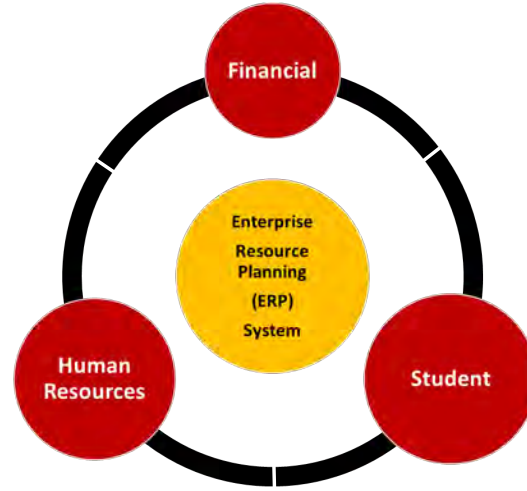
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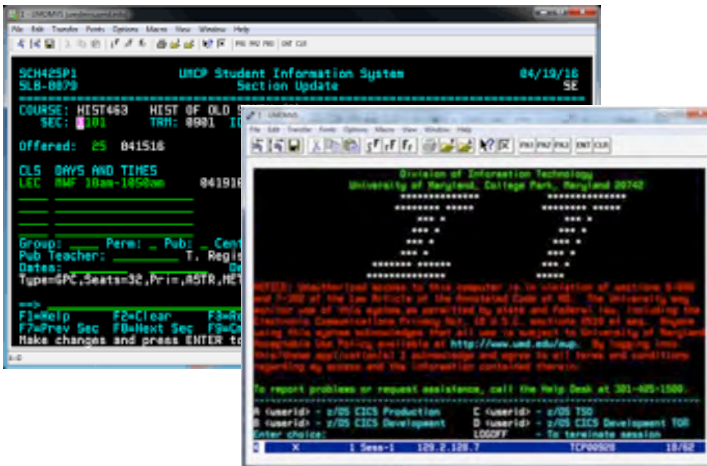


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## Student Information System



*New Jersey needs volunteers who know COBOL, a 60-year-old programming language.*



*State unemployment claims stalled by Eisenhower-era computer code COBOL.*



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## What will we accomplish?

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## Goals of the Elevate Project


1. Provide a positive user experience for students, staff, and faculty.
2. Make the university more efficient and effective through simplified and streamlined business processes.
3. Allow the university to accurately collect, report, and analyze data.
4. Ensure data security and privacy.
5. Ensure that our ERP systems are reliable, can be easily maintained and regularly updated.

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**By centralizing functions such as . . .**



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**Elevate will transform the way we do business**



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## Elevating our ERP to the cloud with Workday.



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## Workday and other universities.



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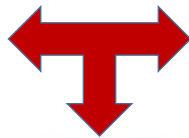
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## Implementation is a Partnership



*\*Note – Huron has been selected for negotiations. Pending approval of contracts by BOR and BOPW.*

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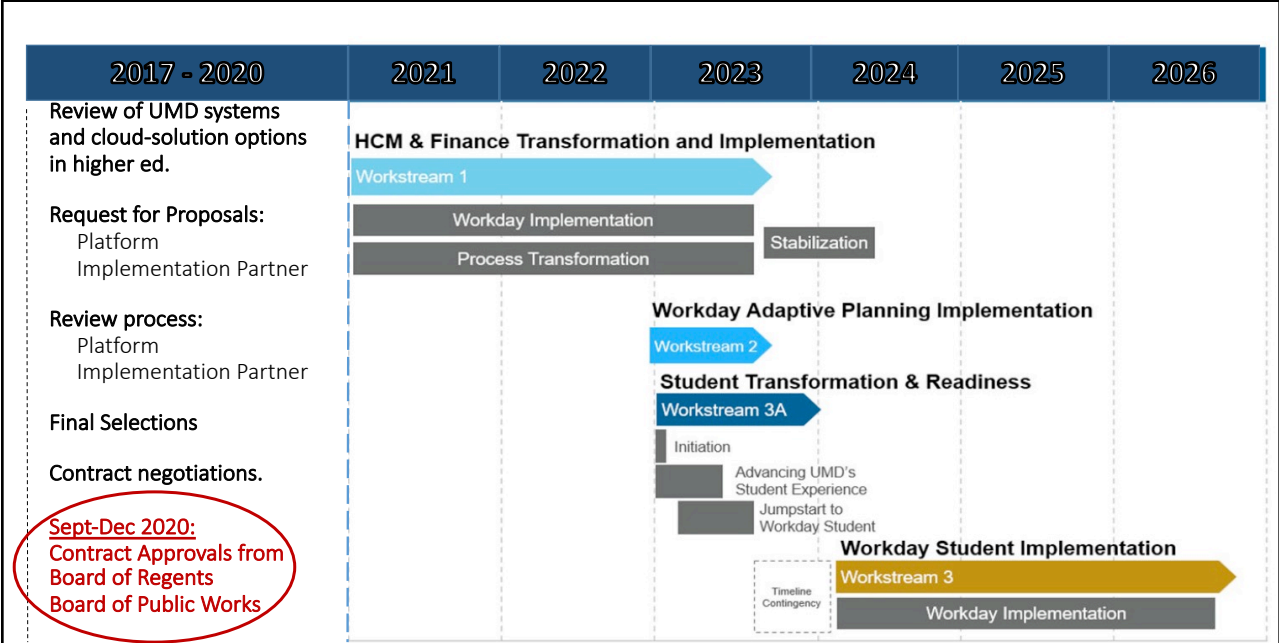
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# When will this happen?



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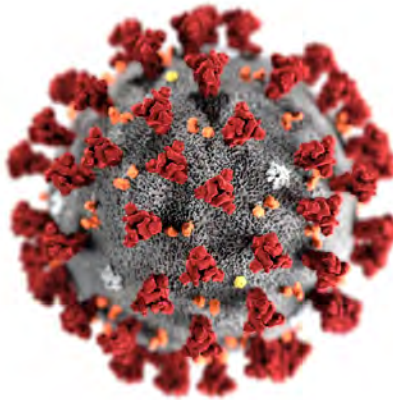


**Sept-Dec 2020:**  
 Contract Approvals from Board of Regents  
 Board of Public Works



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## What about COVID-19?



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## Adapting to COVID

- COVID-related challenges confirm our need for modern cloud-based systems that allow us to adapt and thrive.
- Postponed Elevate start date from August 2020 to January 2021.
- Implementation partner can do remote or “virtual” implementation.
- The Elevate project will be funded on internal sources through FY21.

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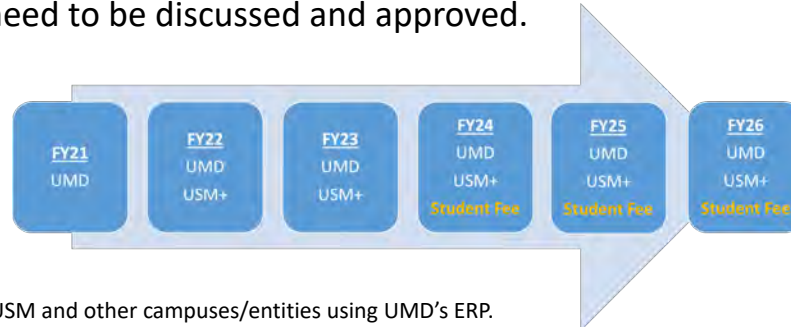




## Costs and Funding

Approximately \$145 million over 6 years.

- Preliminary - negotiations are to be completed.
- Funding details are being determined but will involve UMD, USM and related entities using UMD's ERP, and a student fee (in future years) that will need to be discussed and approved.



USM+ = USM and other campuses/entities using UMD's ERP.

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## Who is involved in Elevate?

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### Stakeholders

- Students
- Staff
- Faculty

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### Executive Sponsors

**Mary Ann Rankin**  
Senior Vice President and  
Provost

**Carlo Colella**  
Vice President for  
Administration & Finance

**Jeff Hollingsworth**  
Vice President & Chief  
Information Officer

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## Who is involved in Elevate?

### Steering Committee

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## Thank you!

Reach out with questions, suggestions

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