

INTRODUCTION

With authorization from the presidents, the five undergraduate Claremont Colleges (5C) have contracted with Anthology to build and implement a new student information system (SIS) for the 5Cs. The SIS supports academic records, course scheduling, degree audits, academic advising, student accounts, institutional research, and internal and external reporting. The current system, Jenzabar CX, is approaching obsolescence and soon will cease to be supported by its vendor.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Implementing a new system is complex, especially because participating colleges have different policies and unique requirements. We expect it will take about two years (until mid-2025) before the new Anthology system will go live.

This project is being coordinated by teams from Anthology and The Claremont Colleges Services (TCCS), along with representatives and key stakeholders from each of the colleges. Colleagues in the Registrar, Student Accounts, and Information Technology Services offices from each of the colleges will be heavily invested in this project, along with colleagues from various other offices on each campus. Faculty and student involvement will come later, with the opportunity for input, testing, and training before the new system is finalized. In the meantime, TCCS has launched [SISProject.claremont.edu](https://sisproject.claremont.edu) to keep the 5C community informed about the project's progress.

TIMELINE



The implementation will follow a phased approach from planning and design through building, testing, and deploying our new system. The project calendar will evolve over time, so check the website for updates on our progress.

FEATURES AND FUNCTIONALITY

The SIS provides the backbone for accurate and secure academic operations at the 5Cs. Students and faculty interact with it currently as “the portal,” where students manage their accounts and course schedules and where faculty manage their class rosters, grades, and advising responsibilities. Beyond those functions, the SIS supports student and faculty records, transcript services, degree and enrollment verifications, degree progress auditing, and institutional research. It also integrates with systems that support other campus offices including residential life, admission, financial aid, advancement, emergency management, facilities, and central services like the library, the bookstore, student health, campus safety, and financial systems. Our goal is to implement a new, contemporary SIS that will enable smooth and secure administrative operations and allow end users to focus on the teaching, learning, and research activities that define our educational community.

TRAINING AND SUPPORT

We recognize that our community will need help getting accustomed to a new system. Staff from the administrative offices involved in the SIS project will test and troubleshoot the system before rolling it out to faculty and students. They will also contribute to developing training materials to help end users transition. As we get closer to our go-live date, we will communicate with students and faculty about this change and point them to the resources and people they can rely on for support.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

A team based at TCCS is managing the implementation project, and each of the colleges has identified a point person to facilitate the SIS implementation for their respective campus. If you have questions about how the project is progressing or would like to contact your campus point person, email sisproject@claremont.edu for more information.