

**Report to President's Cabinet**  
**STLR Progress Report, Q3 Calendar 2015**  
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Infrastructure, Process, & Tools:

- Civitas implementation: working through the process (Project Initiation, CUIT, etc.), high priority for readiness in time to provide preliminary data for BMI project narrative deadline Jan. 30, 2016
- InfoReady Review software in place, 1<sup>st</sup> training session held Sept. 30; cost borne by STLR grant\*
- STLR Project Team: Master To-Do list
- D2L: STLR Student App deployed, currently tweaking implementation
- College Scheduler: cost borne by STLR grant\* but had to catch up back to 3/2015 on license; CS will be solution for Phase 2 of the app, which will allow students to see next term's tenet-tagged sections
- STLR Employer Advisory Board Aug. 28 meeting very successful
- Late Sept invitation to NASPA-AACRAO-Lumina Foundation Beyond-the-Transcript initiative: two consultants provided who will make six campus visits through end of 2016; \$50K provided to support UCO's BtT project (which is STLR/IKPP); report due Dec. 2016

Student TL Projects:

- Formal vetting process about to launch with InfoReady software usage imminent (reformulated TL Steering Committee meeting to introduce use of software and role of Committee sub-groups)
- Highlights: over 100 students representing every college now receiving STLR project stipends (\$10/hr undergrad, \$12/hr grad)
- Integrative Knowledge Portfolio Process (IKPP) STLR projects underway, incl. BMI 90-day project; Dr. Melissa Peet consultation continues w/training sessions and follow-up\*\*

STLR Training:

- Ongoing STLR training underway: faculty not yet STLRizing classes but leading student TL projects comprise a significant percentage of trainees (reflecting the popularity of TL projects and student stipends)

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## STLR Marketing:

- New student orientation STLR survey completed & analyzed
- STLR Style Guide completed (necessary for consistency of internal/external STLR PR in multiple media)

## STLR Assessment:

- STLR grant external evaluator annual report will be included as part of annual report to DoE due Oct. 30
- Bringing student app online will eventually allow for student usage data

## STLR ROI:

- Calculations done by Civitas and verified by Enrollment Management show a \$750K recoup for each 1% improvement in persistence year to year; by second year of operation, other Civitas-using campuses show a 3-7% improvement
- Grant proceeds timing: Title III through Sept. 2019; BMI is across 3 yrs from start date of funding (anticipated late spring/early summer 2016), so BMI funding will end approximately the same time as the Title III funding; Beyond-the-Transcript funding ends Dec. 2016

\* These two software implementations affect end-of-grant institutionalization costs: approx \$13K/yr for InfoReady Review, approx \$25K/yr for College Scheduler

\*\* Financial support for Dr. Peet's visits to UCO prior to start of BMI funding are challenging — there is no Title III support available beyond that to be spent for her Sept 2016 visit, and her consultancy and travel support from BMI will not begin until BMI funding starts