

University of Florida's Operational Efficiency Efforts:

- University Committee for Cost Reduction and Operational Efficiency – established and Huron Consulting firm engaged to assist with these reviews
- Utility conservation efforts - continue to save energy costs
- Tracking system for student academic progress in place – UF's best-in-class practices since mid 90's act to reduce time to degree
- Academic advising initiative – implemented to encourage undergraduates to carry increased credit loads to reduce time to degree
- Planned reduction in FTIC class size - underway since Fall 2005
- Daily enrollment tracking system – implemented to enable academic programs to better manage course and section deployment as well as classroom space management
- Online course evaluation pilot – to reduce paper, time and effort associated with course evaluation
- Academic program approval processes – Web-based to streamline approvals for courses and curriculum
- Centrally-managed network - implemented and called the wall plate project
- Central email system - implemented using Microsoft Exchange
- PeopleSoft Student Financials- implemented to achieve major improvements and efficiencies in student billing and accounts receivable
- Purchasing Card (P-Card) has increased the efficiency of purchases through on-line and processes little or no paper. UF is processing nearly \$80m a year via this mode
- Strategic Sourcing - has resulted in significant savings in ten commodity groups with new contracts in place to assure continued savings
- FICA Alternative Plan – savings have generated millions in FICA tax while providing a retirement plan for part-time employees
- FICA Special Pay – avoids FICA taxes on pay for terminal leave, thus saving thousands of dollars for the employer and employee
- Fax Imaging Process – all vouchering & invoice processing has moved to on-line Fax Imaging saving paper and improving processing time significantly

- Remote Deposit Capture – process has expedited the deposit of funds to banks on a daily basis, thus making greater funds available for investment
- Long Term Investments – certain university funds have been moved to longer term investments, thus improving earnings
- Fleet Management System – effort will eliminate the number of cars needed on campus and more effectively maintain and manage the transportation needs of UF
- All construction of new facilities should attain a LEED certification of Silver assuring the building is sustainable and energy efficient