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Leadership Forum - Survey Report Out



Leaders from **49 UF colleges and units** came together for **two** Leadership Forum sessions held in early March. At the conclusion of each session, leaders were asked to share their impressions of the Workday implementation, identifying areas of **opportunity**, **perceived hurdles**, areas of **excitement** and any **potential concerns**. The **top responses** are outlined by the numbers, key **takeaways** and considerations in developing the **future state**.

Top Opportunities

Survey Question: What do you see as the top three opportunities for your area when considering the Workday Implementation?





40% mentioned streamlined processes and more efficient operational workflows. 32% expressed the desire for better and more accessible reporting and analytics capabilities.

15% indicated strong enthusiasm for consolidating systems, standardizing processes and eliminating redundant systems.

Top Opportunities – Free Responses

Free Response: What do you see as the top three opportunities for your area when considering the Workday Implementation?

Better reporting and **availability of reports** to more people in the college

Make *informed decisions* to build and support *strategic plans*

Clear and efficient business processes

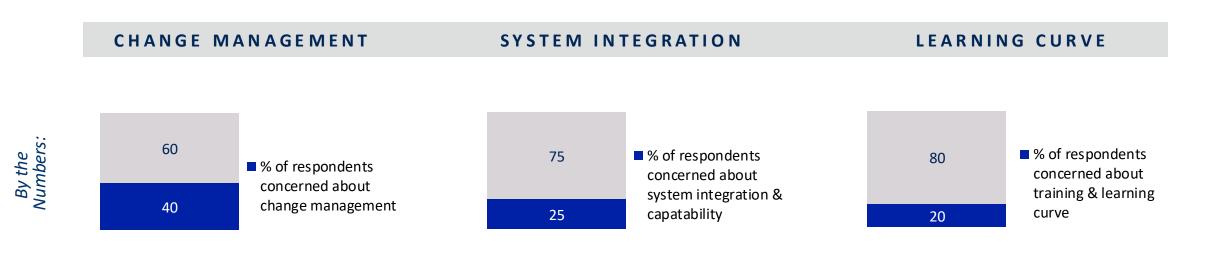
Cross college collaboration

Having a **one stop shop**, a fully **centralized** system

Integration with our project management system

Anticipated Hurdles

Survey Question: What do you imagine will be the top three hurdles your area may face throughout this project?



Key Takeaways: 40% of respondents highlighted managing change as a concern, including overcoming resistance and shifting mindsets to embrace new processes. 25% of respondents highlighted concerns with Workday's ability to integrate with existing systems and ensuring compatibility between the two systems.

Training was noted as a concern by 20% of respondents, with emphasis on the need for a robust and sustained training plan.

Anticipated Hurdles – Free Response

Free Response: What do you imagine will be the hurdles your area may face throughout this project?

Resistance to change (e.g., concerns about losing things in translation), and addressing the nuances unique to various units

Adding **another software** for our project managers to interact with

Managing **workforce churn** during implementation

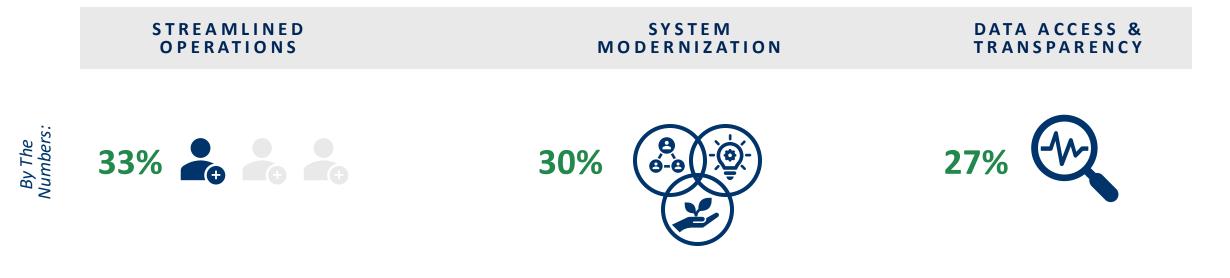
Getting rid of shadow systems and adjusting to **process changes**

Integration with current systems such as UFIRST, UF GO, and others

Learning **new processes** and a **new system** at one time

Areas of Excitement

Survey Question: When you think about the people in your area who will be impacted by Workday, what will they be most excited about?



Key Takeaways:

33% expressed eagerness about the opportunity for streamlined and improved processes and the elimination of redundant systems. 30% communicated excitement regarding a modern, efficient and user-friendly system along with integration of innovative features.

27% cited improved transparency, access to data and enhanced reporting capabilities as beneficial aspects across various departments.

Areas of Excitement – Free Response

Free Response: When you think about the people in your area who will be impacted by Workday, what will they be most excited about?

The potential to finally **manage** finances and HR **centrally**

Having all or most *information/data* more readily available and in *one place*

Having a working system that can **meet** the **demands** needed, **process improvement**, **no more shadow** systems

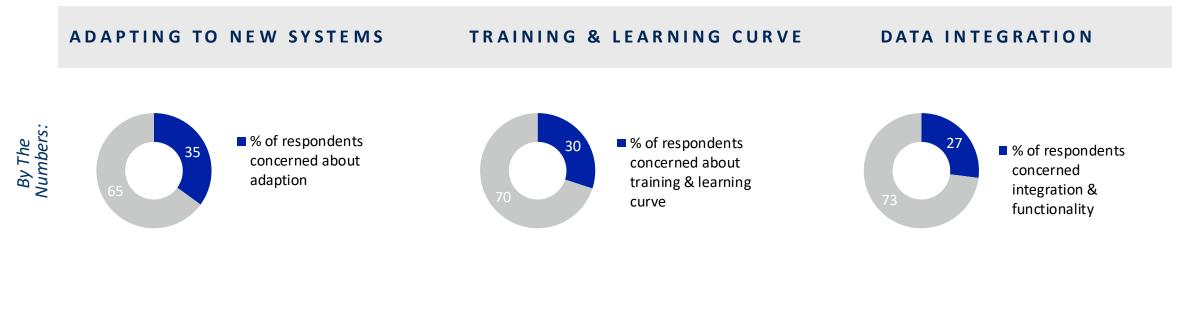
Efficiency

The potential to streamline processes and not rely upon emails to track financial processes

Ease of pulling relevant data

Areas of Concern

Survey Question: When you think about the people in your area who will be impacted by Workday, what will they be most concerned about?



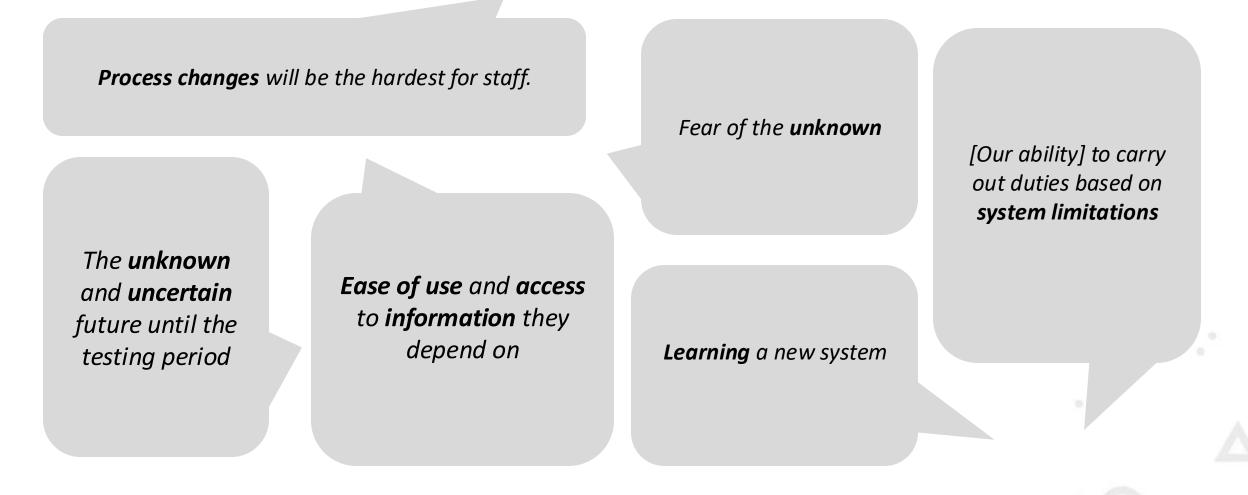


35% of respondents noted concerns about adapting to new processes and systems as well as losing current customized workflows. 30% of respondents feel worried about the adequacy and availability of training and the steep learning curve as potential areas of concern.

27% emphasized maintaining data integrity, secure and seamless access to historical data, and ensuring no loss of critical functionality from previous systems during the transition to the new system may be future concerns.

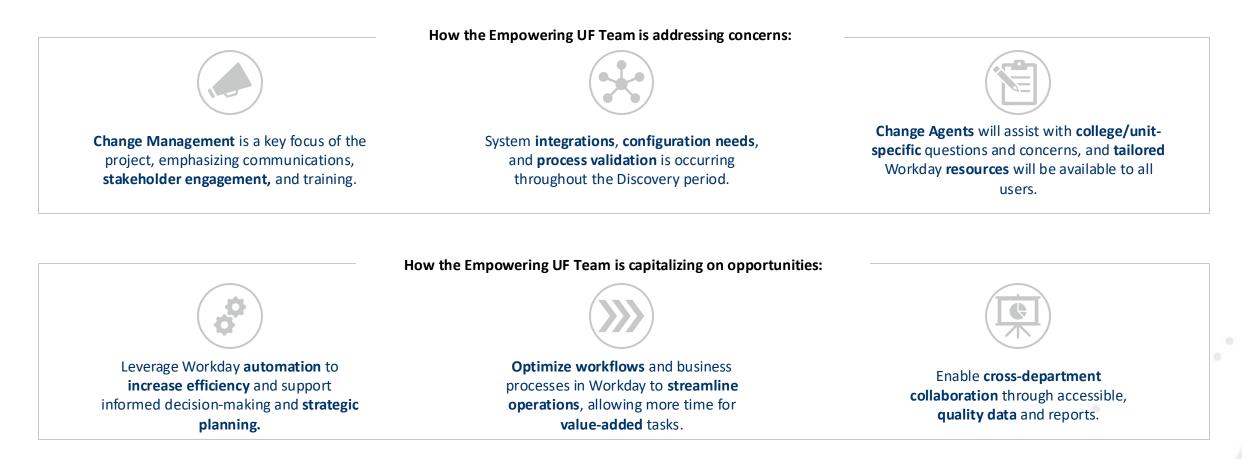
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Empowering UF Mitigation Strategies

The Empowering UF Team is prepared to support UF in navigating challenges and capitalizing on opportunities.



Call To Action

Nominate an individual for the Change Agent Network, by completing this <u>survey</u> by April 8.

