



Ellucian Colleague

Higher education technology is evolving—
and Ellucian Colleague is taking the lead

Facing a changing marketplace and greater demands on resources, today's colleges and universities are looking for ways to work faster, smarter, and more efficiently.

As expectations keep rising, the right technology is key to delivering better services, streamlined business processes, and increased transparency.

But that's not all. To stay competitive, institutions increasingly need to offer users—especially students—a convenient, connected technology experience that simplifies their daily tasks. Ellucian Colleague® delivers.

Over 650 institutions count on Colleague to keep students, faculty, and staff connected. Colleague maps across higher education's unique business areas—including admissions, registration, student services, advising, assessment, financial aid, human resources, and finance—giving you the tools to handle all your administrative needs.

A strong, modern technology environment must also adapt to new innovations and keep pace with the shifting higher education landscape. That's why we keep enhancing Colleague: to give you the tools to help every student succeed, make every resource count, meet changing expectations, and offer more opportunities for collaboration.



What makes Ellucian different?



A passion for helping our customers

For 50 years, we've made higher education our first and only priority. We're inspired by the mission of higher education and are always focused on helping your institution, your students, and your employees succeed. Our dedication runs deep: most Ellucian employees have a background in higher education, and we use that unique experience to deliver exemplary customer service.



Solutions built to power higher education

Our unparalleled higher education expertise informs all of our solutions and services. Our solutions are developed with a comprehensive, mobile-first approach, and we deliver a superior user experience through user-centric design. Our portfolio is built on a unified strategy using the Ellucian Ethos framework, which defines a common language across systems, enables powerful analytics, and eliminates the need to build and maintain point-to-point integrations for every new application on campus.



Innovative and ready for the future

We developed one of the richest technology frameworks in the industry—and we designed it for future innovation. We're the largest provider of cloud services in higher education. Because no two institutions are the same, we offer deployment models that provide flexibility when modernizing. Last but not least, we lead the industry in new tools for workforce development and constituent relationship management, offering you new opportunities for growth.



Strength of community

Our vast and active user community gathers regularly to discuss the hottest topics, trends, and challenges in higher education. You'll find them at user groups, conferences, and training events, as well as online at Ellucian eCommunities. Each year, hundreds of Colleague users participate in the development process, working hand-in-hand with the Ellucian product team to improve Colleague together. Through beta programs, problem solving, and shared best practices, we put the power of community to work for each and every one of our customers.



We wanted a solution that could provide a great registration experience [and a] holistic approach to advising. Now the students can spend their time with advisors actually mapping what they want to do in their curriculum. They can talk about what their future looks like.

Eric Satterly

Chief Information Officer and Vice Provost for Information Technology, Bellarmine University

Keep your institution running at peak efficiency

Colleague offers self-service capabilities for students and staff that make it easier for them to do what they need to do, when they need to do it. We also offer flexible deployment models that let you choose your own pace—even as you benefit from managed upgrades and fast access to new functionality. That means you can respond to the changes and challenges you're facing today: funding cuts, rising student expectations, authentic engagement, and improving student outcomes.

Continued investment for continual innovation

Designed for ongoing evolution, Colleague is adaptable, flexible, and modern. It's the first full ERP delivered to higher education as a SaaS solution, giving you the option of managed upgrades and fast, easy access to innovation. And we just keep making it better, with new additions like parking-management capabilities, built-in compliance checks for federal financial aid requirements, and a fast-path option that shows students their quickest path to program completion.

The Colleague difference

Ellucian Colleague is more than an enterprise resource planning (ERP) system—it's a complete suite built to address your most pressing challenges. The suite includes:

- **Colleague® Student**

Lets students conduct their business on any device—whether they're buying books, checking grades, registering for courses, or getting financial aid notifications.

- **Colleague® Financial Aid**

Helps both students and staff access the information they need to process applications, determine eligibility, and get the funds students need to stay in school.

- **Colleague® Human Resources**

Empowers staff to manage their personal information, view benefit histories, and access their to-do lists, which frees them to spend more time helping students achieve their educational goals.

- **Colleague® Finance**

Automates financial processes like compiling, analyzing, and sharing information, and supports web-based purchasing and procurement so you can make better financial decisions.

- **Ellucian Analytics**

Delivers the insight you need to understand enrollment, hiring, and financial-aid trends; measure the effectiveness of campus initiatives; and address other institutional challenges. Personalized, user-friendly dashboards help administrators, faculty, and staff turn data into valuable insights that drive student success, institutional growth, and operational efficiency.

Colleague delivers:

- Flexible, configurable technology to manage your institution's unique needs and processes
- All the tools and services you need to build a total solution that's easier to manage, maintain, and evolve
- Features that improve departmental workflows, business processes, productivity, and efficiency campus-wide
- Innovative tools that help you meet expectations for services, mobility, and support
- Ways to collaborate, connect, and engage with a customer community

“ As a 25-year Colleague customer, we’ve seen a lot of changes over the years. There is a need for more reporting, more analytics, and more mobile—and how to do those things faster. It’s all about more and doing it with fewer dollars.”

Bob Wisler

Chief Information Officer,
Northwood University

An integrated solution that offers a smoother experience for everyone

Better integration results in a better user experience. With the Ellucian Ethos Framework as the foundation for evolution, we design solutions that can adapt to future changes as rapidly as your needs change. That way, you can make every resource count, meet rising expectations, and help your students succeed.

A higher education approach to the cloud

Migrating to the cloud can help you modernize your enterprise system to protect your technology investments, adapt to new challenges, and lower your costs. But that doesn't mean you have to follow one path or one timeline. Nor does “being in the cloud” look the same for every institution. With the Ellucian higher education cloud, you have a range of deployment options.

Ellucian Cloud solutions deliver:

- A great user experience for today's tech-savvy students and staff, based on intuitive technology, mobile-first design, and a modern interface
- Modern, more flexible technology that reduces the cost of maintaining enterprise systems so you can invest more in strategic IT initiatives—which lowers your total cost of ownership
- Unparalleled higher education-specific functionality that provides the most complete set of applications designed specifically to meet your students' needs
- A safe and reliable cloud platform that gives you control and helps you manage your investments in student- and staff-facing system customizations
- A cost-effective transition to the cloud that helps you avoid the costs, disruptions, and downtime associated with a major IT implementation
- A continued commitment to choice that empowers you to choose the delivery method (cloud software, cloud hosting, or on-premise solution) and pace that works for your institution



Ellucian is the market leader charting the digital future of higher education with a portfolio of cloud-ready technology solutions and services. Serving more than 2,700 customers in over 50 countries, reaching over 26 million students, Ellucian delivers student information systems (SIS), finance and HR, financial aid, integration, analytics, recruiting, retention, and advancement software solutions. Ellucian also supports the higher education community with a range of professional services that includes application software implementation, management consulting, and grants services.

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