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MANAGING PSIS COMPLIANCE

Simon Fraser University (SFU) faced a challenge in manging its annual data submission to Statistics Canada's Postsecondary Student Information System (PSIS), particularly as the responsibility for this task shifted from IT Services to the Registrar's Office. With updated PSIS requirements, technical debt, and delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Registrar's Office turned to Plaid for assistance. SFU has relied on Plaid's support to complete and certify the PSIS returns for 9 consecutive submissions.

HOW PLAID HELPED

1

Process Analysis & Documentation
Plaid conducted a thorough analysis of the existing PSIS submission process, identifying inefficiencies and creating new functional and technical documentation to improve future submissions.

2

Reconfigured Process & Updated Requirements
Plaid integrated updated PSIS requirements from StatsCan, including the removal of certain elements and changes to the definitions of others, ensuring that the University's submissions met the revised standards, and mandatory errors were corrected.

3

Recommendations for Long-Term Improvements
Plaid provided strategic recommendations to address accumulated technical debt and enhance oversight and responsibilities related to the PSIS process, setting the foundation for future system upgrades.

MODERNIZING THE PSIS SUBMISSION

Plaid modernized SFU's PSIS submission process to be fast, smooth, and up-to-date with data requirements. Plaid provided thorough documentation, including strategic recommendations to address technical debt and improve long-term efficiency.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

1 Demonstrated expertise to analyze and improve intricate data submission workflows, ensuring compliance with evolving requirements.

2 Successfully integrated updated PSIS standards, including adjustments trigger by the pandemic.

3 Delivered strategic recommendations that addressed a backlog of technical debt and set the stage for sustainable process enhancements.

"Plaid Analytics has ensured that Simon Fraser University successfully submits required annual reporting to Statistics Canada's Postsecondary Student Information System data submission process since 2016...Contracting Plaid for this work has meant that our submission is done on a timely basis with no errors.

I highly recommend working with Plaid to support enrolment data and the business processes related to it."

Dina Shafey
Associate Registrar, Information, Records & Registration, SFU

ABOUT PLAID

Plaid Analytics empowers Strategic Enrolment Management with enrolment & tuition forecasting, automated data pipelines, and data governance to ensure your staff can access decision support data accurately and securely.

What we do is based on creating data insight, but how we do it begins with first understanding what you want to achieve, how you are currently working with your information, and the people behind the data. We then work to bridge the gaps with customized solutions specific to your needs, providing you with the tools and techniques you need to achieve your goals.

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