CAMELWEB: THE CAMPUS INTRANET

It has been more than 12 years since CamelWeb made its debut on campus as the College’s intranet portal, and it has served the College well. The portal has served as the College’s main online resource for information important to our internal campus community: students, faculty and staff. Needs, expectations and technology continue to evolve; thus, Enterprise Systems is undertaking a project to modernize and revamp CamelWeb.

In the spring 2013 semester, Information Services and College Relations began the effort to renew the aging portal, which was last updated in 2009. A team collected valuable input and ideas from the campus community through surveys and town meetings. Over the summer, the team continued to work on refining the many possibilities of campus services, information sources and collaboration tools that could be included in the portal.

Throughout the fall 2013 semester, the team has continued to discuss the content and conduct circular reviews with the campus, in search of agreement on the structure and character of the new CamelWeb, called CamelWeb 5. The anticipated rollout to the campus of CamelWeb 5 will take place in the early part of the spring 2014 semester. The enhanced portal will deliver services based on a particular individual’s role on campus, and thus will be tailored to his or her unique needs. For example, the team will build a virtual center that enriches our community with information, assistance, collaboration tools and participation opportunities; its intention is to make CamelWeb 5 an online center essential to life and learning at the College.

THREE THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT CAMELWEB:
- The enhanced campus intranet portal, CamelWeb 5, will be rolled out to campus during the spring 2014 semester.
- CamelWeb 5 will deliver information and services based on an individual’s needs and campus role(s).
- CamelWeb will transition to a knowledge management tool through integration with existing systems such as Banner and Campus Directory, Web content management software and self-service functionality.

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