# Mobile Application Project

## Overall Project Vision

*Moving towards a mobile platform and automated workflow for students and faculty by implementing a mobile solution*

### Overview

Rhode Island College is planning to implement a Mobile System Project in FY2018~2019. This project will install a mobile application platform so that the College will be able to fully engage with its students via this new mobile platform. This new mobile app will facilitate social engagement with the students while letting administrators measure levels of use and track emotional trends and potential problems among the student body serves both communities.

### Objectives

- Install the new Mobile System
- Complete the configuration of the mobile software so that it integrates with RIC’s existing PeopleSoft systems
- Complete the training of RIC staff who will be using on the software
- Design the business workflow for all of the related offices
- Engage with all students so that the positive experiences can set the tone for the remainder of their educational careers.
- Allow students to keep up on events, communicating on specific topics, and asking questions quickly and conveniently.

### Guiding Principles

1. Integrate the new Mobile System with the College’s Administrative System
2. Integrate academic and nonacademic events/activities beyond the classroom
3. Immerse students in the community.
4. Report functions that would allow administrators to analyze student interaction data and make adjustments as needed.

## Sponsor Offices

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## Project Approach

- The Mobile Application project is a FY17-18 project.
- This project will be jointly managed by the mobile vendor, VPSS Office, and MIS
- The new mobile system, once implemented, will become part of Rhode Island College’s administrative systems
- This project plan follows the proven product/service life cycle

## Communications

- Will communicate to the appropriate teams:
  - VPSS Office staff
  - MIS Department staff
  - Provide training to all related staff
  - Develop and update RIC specific documentation
  - Project progress will be monitored using a Gantt Chart and shared among project team members

## Metrics

- VPSS Office
  - The number of students using the mobile app;
  - The percentage of students using mobile app for academic activities
  - The percentage of students using mobile app for non-academic activities