











The Maryland Connector Volume 13

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Registration for Workday Training Sessions are Now Open!

Registration for the forthcoming Workday training sessions is now open and will remain so until the end of June. These sessions are tailored to individual roles and job functions within USM, offering a hybrid learning approach that caters to diverse learning styles. Participants can access self-paced learning with Computer-Based Training (CBT) videos, comprehensive Workday feature explanations, instructor guidance, step-by-step job aids, screenshots, and interactive Learning Labs to enhance their platform proficiency. To secure your spot, make sure to register before the end of June via the provided links on our website or through email. Registration is mandatory for access to both Instructor-Led Trainings (ILTs) and Learning Labs, both of which will be conducted via Zoom. Upon registration, you will receive confirmation emails containing access links and calendar invites from Zoom. Do not miss this opportunity to enhance your Workday proficiency!

Workday Preparedness Assessment

The Workday preparedness assessment measures campus readiness for Workday go-live this Summer. This assessment, conducted by all participating USM Universities and Attain Partners/Huron, covers 210 criteria and will be administered three times, or check points (April, May, and June). These criteria span functional and technical areas, change management, training, and operational readiness, providing invaluable insights into program progress and ultimately, readiness for go-live. The recent assessment, held from April 1st to 5th, achieved a notable 96% completion rate. The results of check point one showed that 78% of the assessed criteria are pending and on track, 19% deemed ready for go-live and 3% not ready, 40 identified areas of concern are being addressed proactively. Subsequent check points in May and June aim for continuous improvement, leading to the targeted go-live date of July 1st. Below is the results of check point one.

Rating	BSU	csu	FSU	su	UBalt	SI	РМО	Total	% of Total
Ready	46	7	31	46	13	37	48	228	19%
Pending & On Track	119	168	147	132	135	124	131	956	78%
Not Ready	2	3	3	5	9	13	5	40	3%
Total	167	178	181	183	157	174	184	1224	



Specialist

Welcome Jason Newman, Huron Payroll Specialist

We're excited to welcome Jason Newman as the newest addition to our Maryland CONNECT Project team. With a wealth of experience in Workday implementations, particularly within higher education and healthcare sectors, Jason brings invaluable expertise to our endeavors. His focus on payroll processing and adept analytical skills makes him a versatile asset in tackling any Workday implementation challenge. Jason's approach to problem-solving is holistic, ensuring that he delivers sustainable, long-term solutions for his clients. Jason's mantra, "Work hard and good things happen," perfectly encapsulates his work ethic and determination. Outside work, Jason enjoys golfing and supporting his favorite team, the University of Michigan football team. Welcome aboard, Jason!