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UW System purchases Oracle BI Toolset to replace Interactive Reporting

The University of Wisconsin System has taken a big step toward managing and reporting its data with the purchase of a Business Intelligence toolset from Oracle Corporation. Those who need quick access to data for intelligent, responsive decisions will find the Toolset extremely helpful.

The BI Toolset will replace the soon to be discontinued Interactive Reporting software used by all thirteen UW campuses. Included in the toolset is OBIEE 12c, BI Publisher, Endeca Information Discovery, and a “Sandbox” environment for Oracle BI Cloud Service (BICS).

Key new features in OBIEE 12c, released in October, include Visual Analyser that brings Tableau-style reporting to OBIEE users along with another new feature called “data-mashups,” which enables users to upload spreadsheets of their own data to combine with their main curated datasets. Oracle Endeca Information Discovery also offers a broad range of features for the exploration and visualization of information. Each feature is accessible through an improved user interface.

Planning for implementation has begun, and will span the next couple of years. To learn more about the tools and their features, plan to attend a New BI Tool Day January 13th at the Pyle Center on the Madison Campus or via video link to other campuses. An agenda for that day is being developed and will be announced as soon as it is known.

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