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SET IT Discovery

Preliminary Findings



Introduction

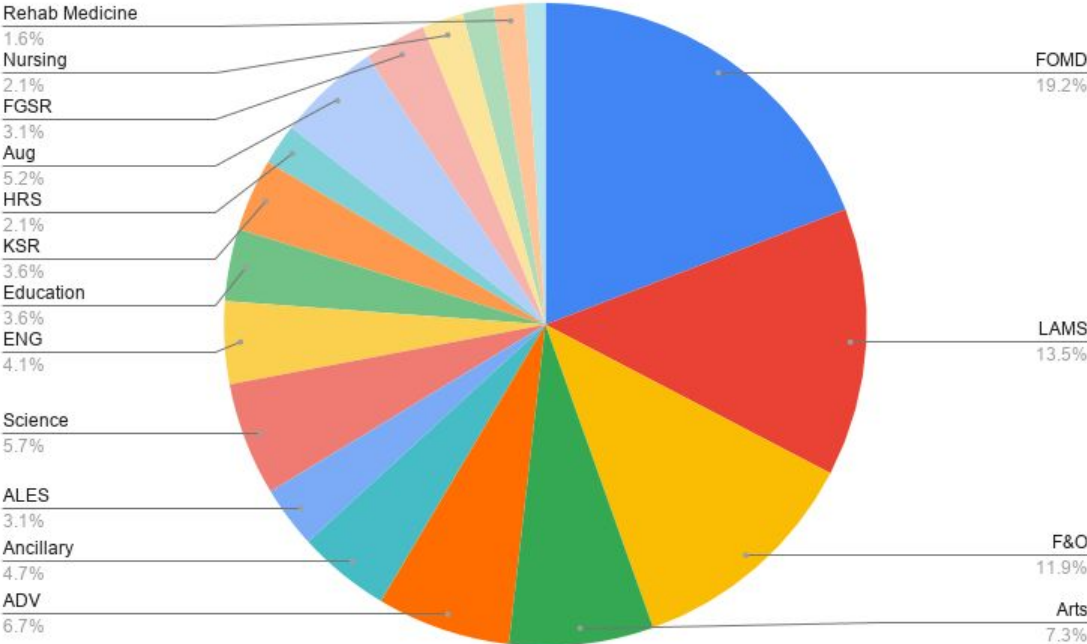
- Research Support
- Applications
- Analysis of Services

Responses

- 25 IT units submitted responses
- 158 technology submissions
- 193 IT staff described

Responses

Non-Central Staff
193 (Headcount)



Methodology

- Reviewed submissions on a per-unit basis, validated understanding with each IT unit lead
- Reviewed the submissions on a per-service basis to understand gaps and differences between how each service is offered
- Explored the data using Tableau to gain additional insights
- Summarized major considerations and gaps in information

Support for Researchers

IT Time Spent on Researchers

- Work for Researchers: 3,834 hrs/mo
- Work for All: 26,829 hrs/mo

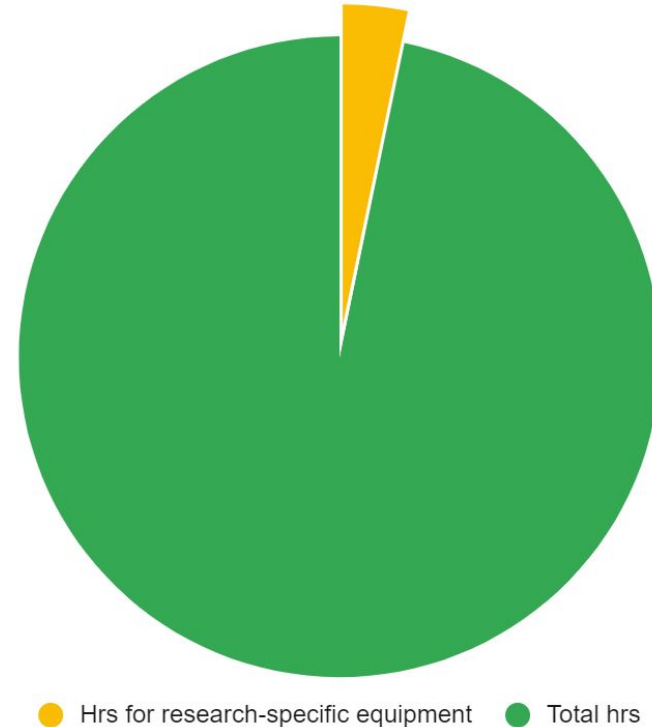
However, this includes data centre, phone lines, corporate front-end applications, AV equipment for learning spaces, and others that would not usually be associated with research.



IT Time Spent on Research Equipment

- Work for Researchers: 872 hrs/mo
- Work for All: 26,829 hrs/mo

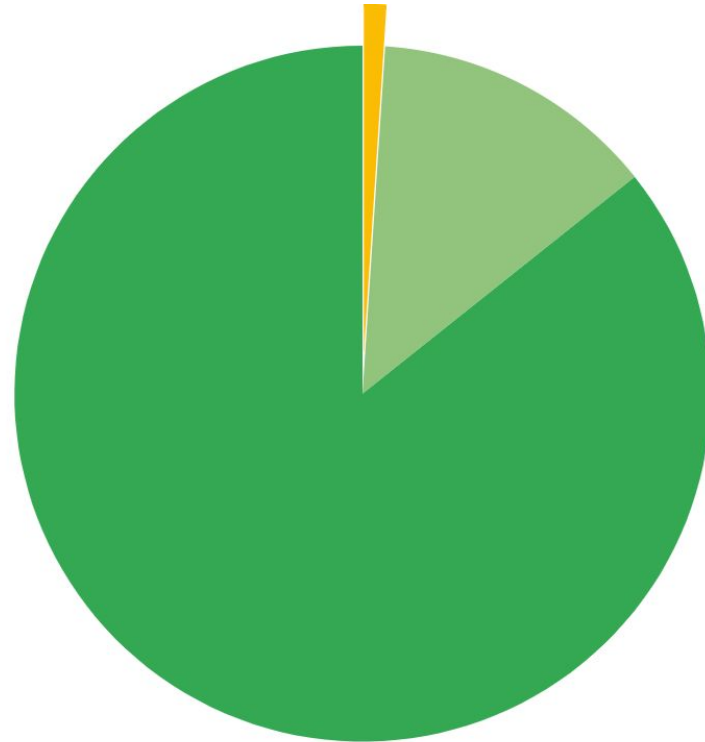
However, this includes support for staff, students, instructors and others that would not usually be associated with research equipment.



IT Time Spent on Research Equipment, for Researchers Only

- Work on research-specific equipment & applications, for researchers only: 279 hrs/mo
- Work for All: 26,829 hrs/mo

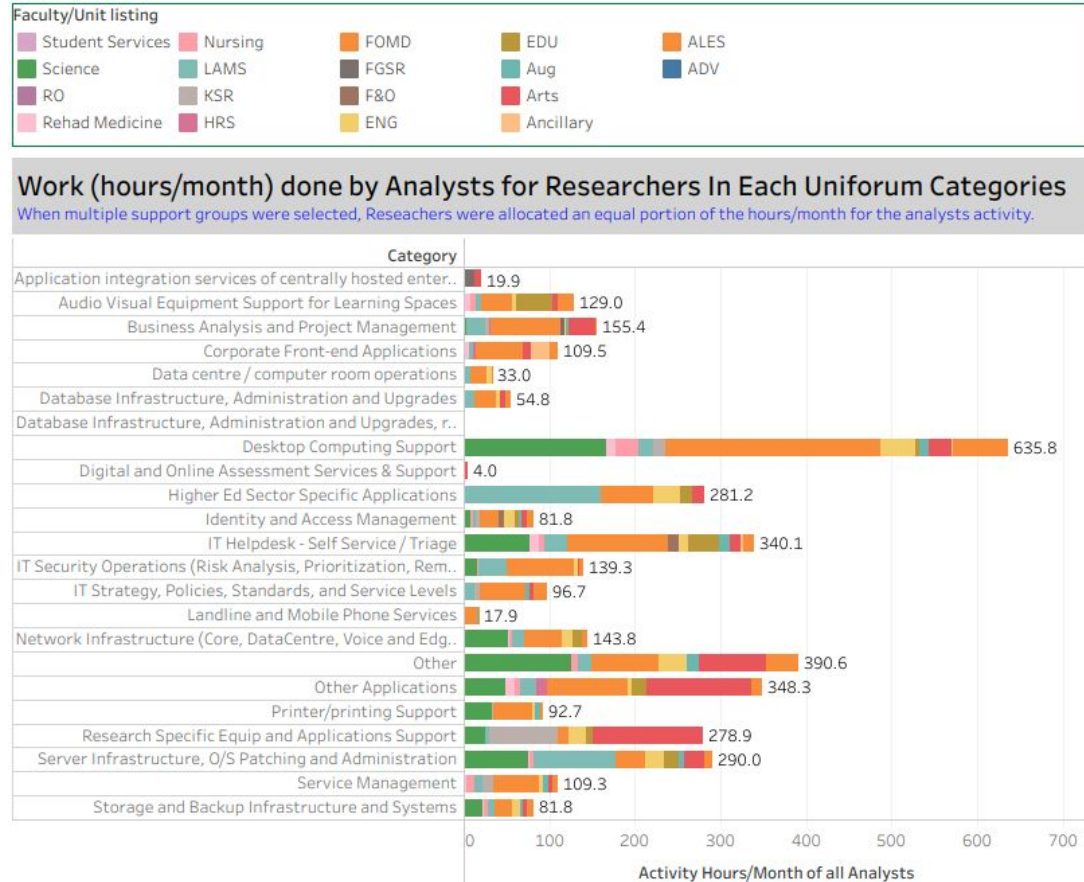
Note: Does not include hours spent on infrastructure related to research, such as a network within a research lab.



● Hrs for research-specific equipment for researchers ● Hrs for researchers ● Hrs on everything else

Time Spent on Researchers

- Suspect a lot of responses included “work for researchers” without distinguishing which work was in support of researchers performing their research.
- Majority of support is desktop and applications.
- ~279 hours/month support for research-specific technology across the whole institution.



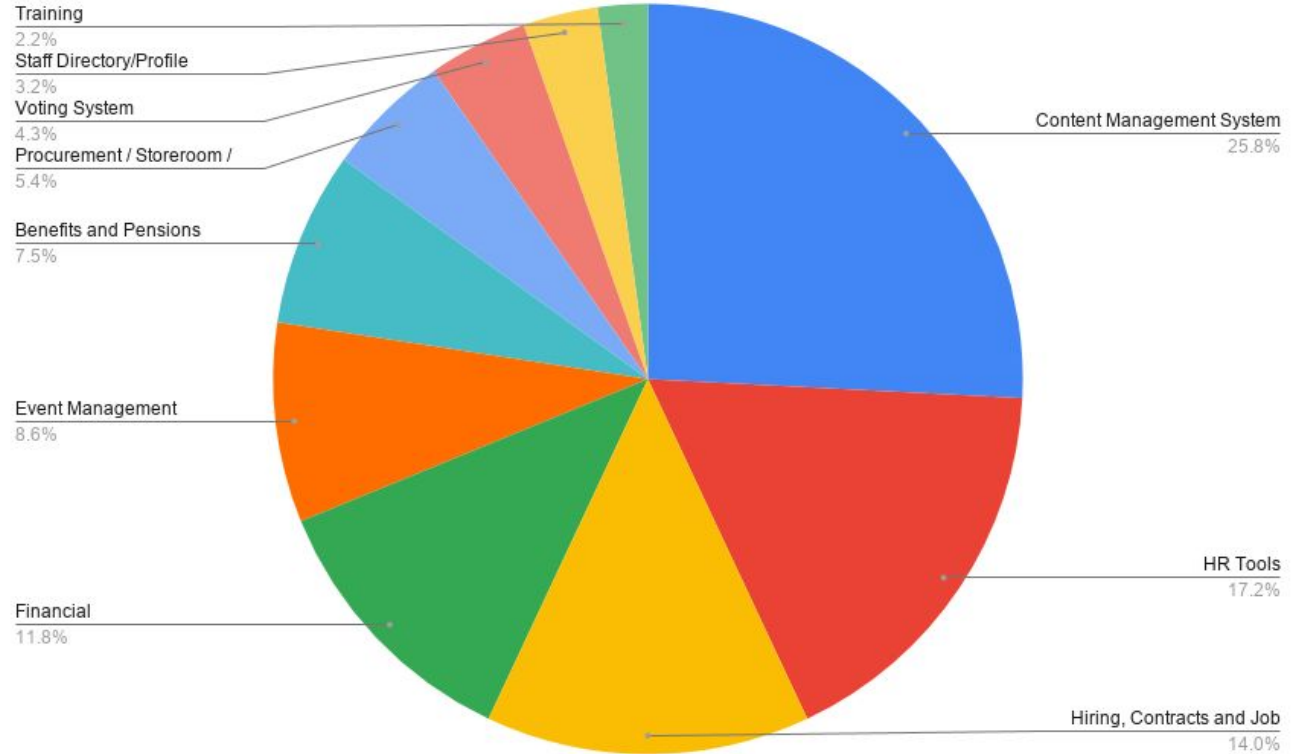
IT Support Provided to Researchers

- Faculties have differing levels and types of support for researchers, e.g.
 - Computer evergreening
 - Support for administrative activities
 - Patching & security
 - Development or support for research-related code
 - Fabrication/support of hardware to support research projects
- “IT support for people who are researchers” vs. “IT support for research equipment and applications” are not well distinguished in the data

Applications

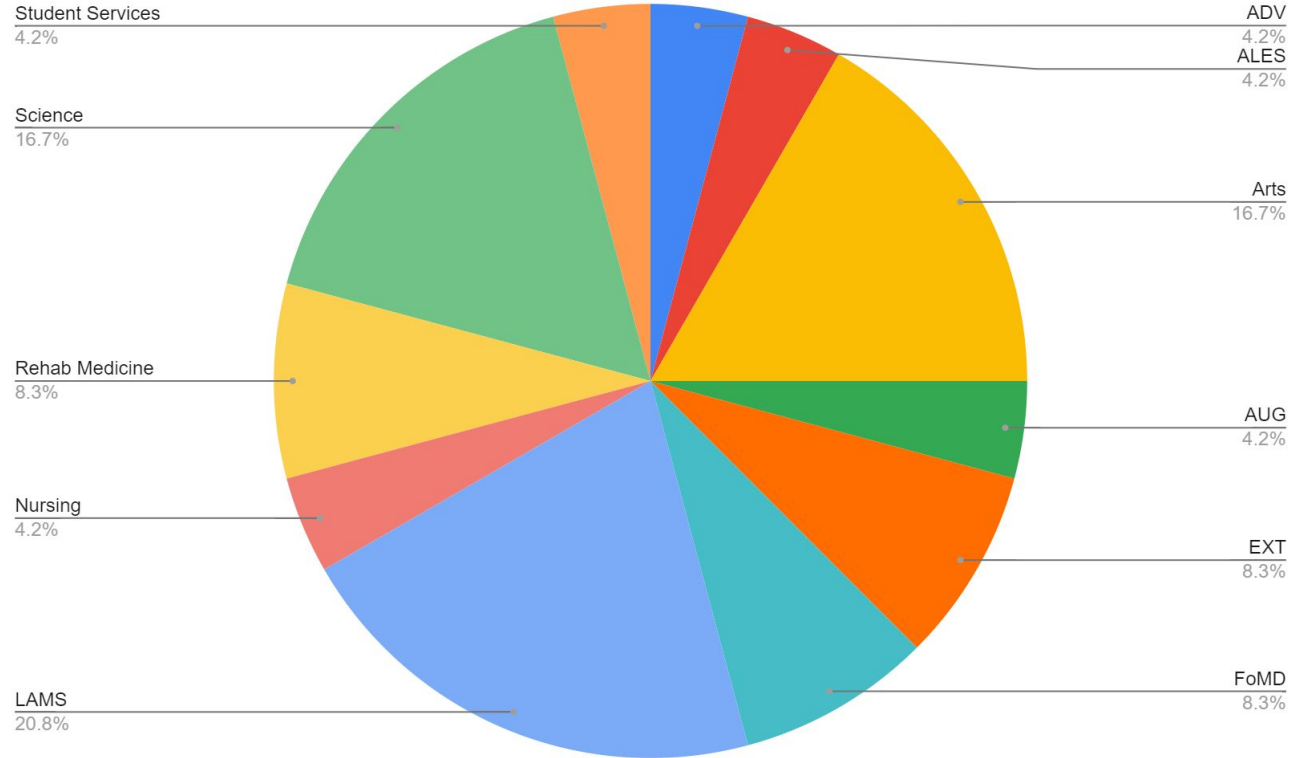
Administrative Applications

186 applications



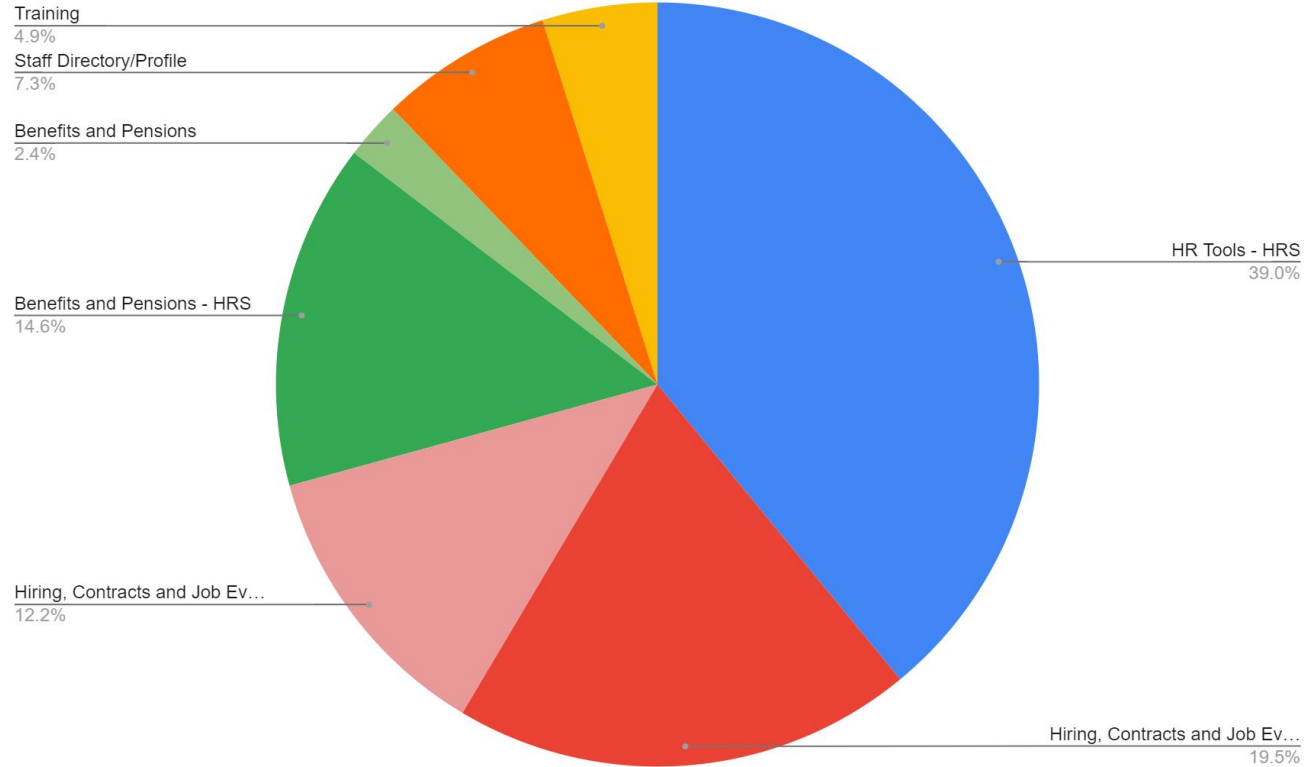
Content Management Applications

24 applications

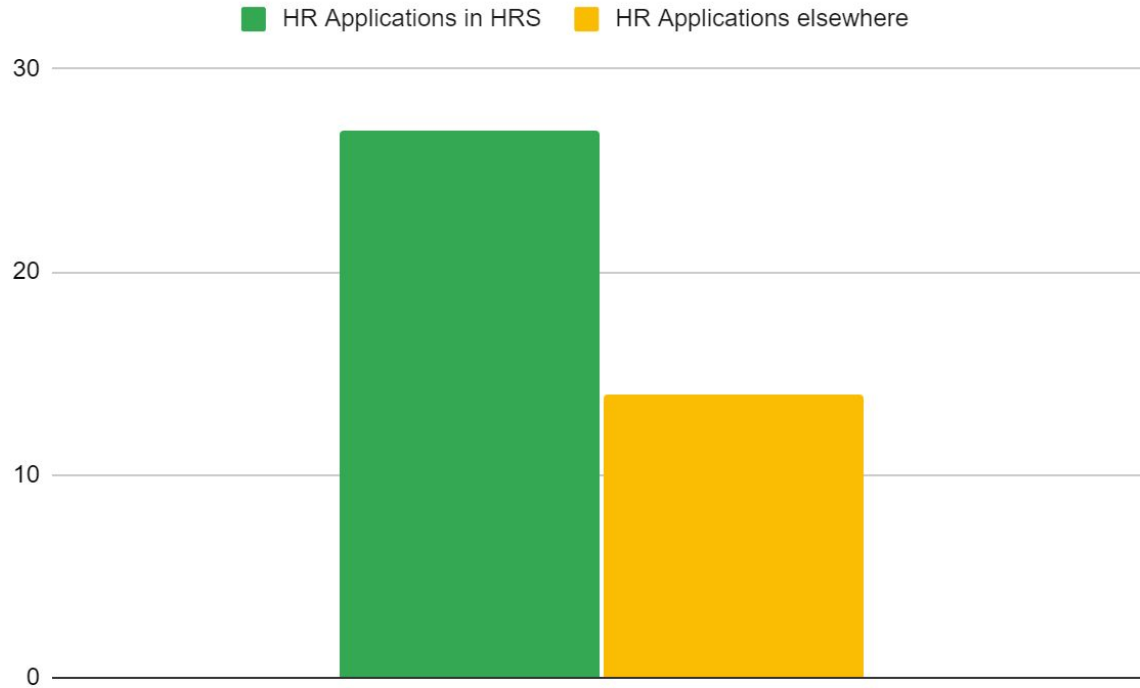


HR-Related Applications

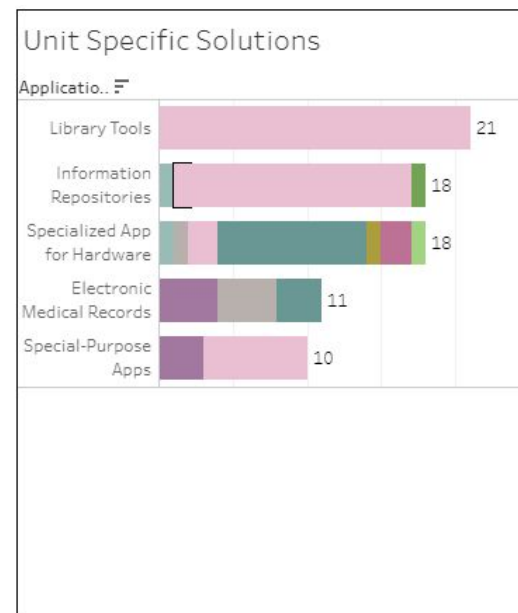
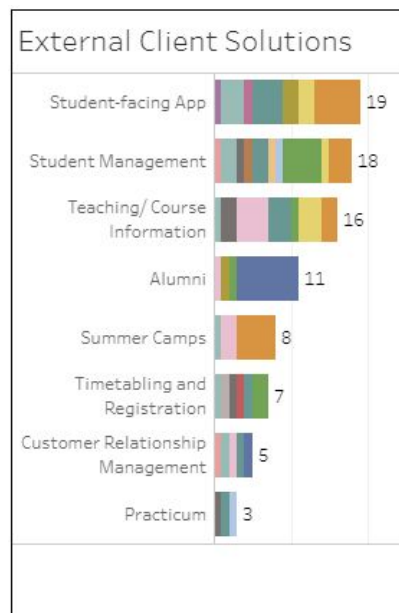
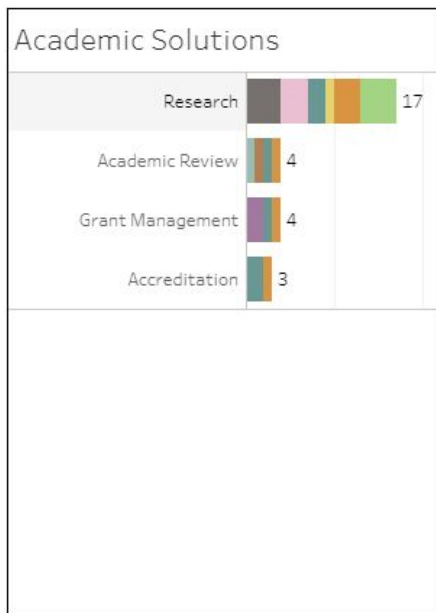
41 applications



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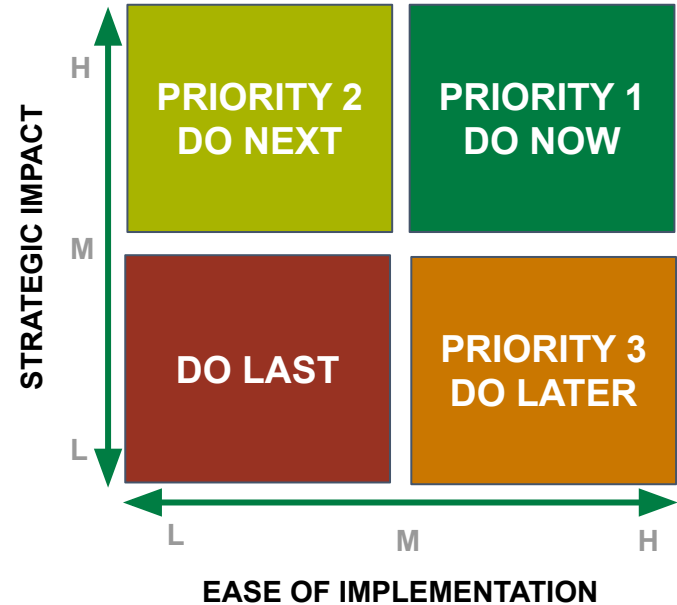
Student & Academic Applications



Analyzing Services

Prioritization Matrix

Strategic Impact/Value/ Benefits	Potential cost savings	Current FTE
	Potential service improvement	# of units with different service scope/standard
Ease of Implementation	Time required to consolidate	# of unconsolidated technologies/# of consolidated
	Investment required to rationalize	# of units with different technologies
	Faculty/Unit willingness to consolidate	Anecdotal

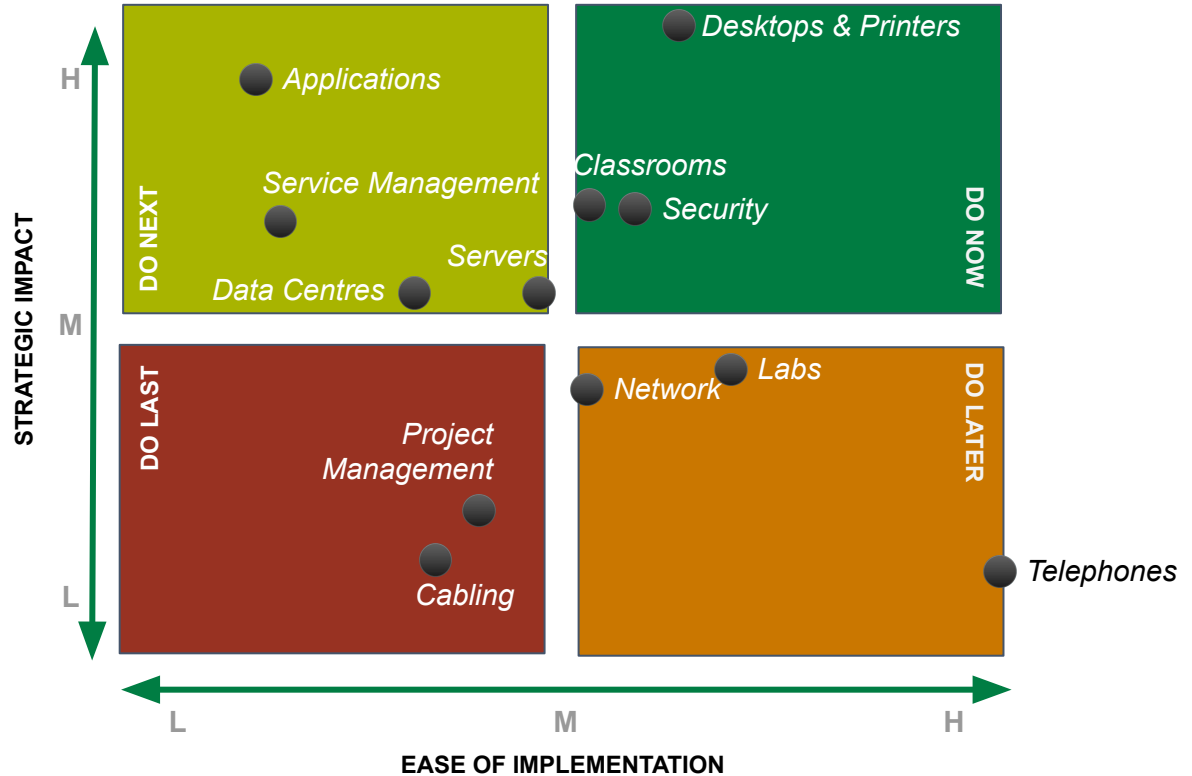


Base Grid

Subject to change based on the creation of the transition roadmap where additional factors will be included.

Note: There is a wide range of values between faculties for each service.

Note: Prioritisation != scheduling



Next Steps



Create a Transition Roadmap

- **Transition Roadmap**
- Next step: Determine the sequence in which IT services will move into the new administrative model.

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