# Research on informatization reform of university educational administration system

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Abstract: With the rapid development of information technology, the informationization reform of university academic management systems has become an important issue in the field of education today. The academic management system is the core of the daily operation of universities, covering multiple aspects such as student management, curriculum arrangement, and score management, which directly affects the improvement of the quality and efficiency of university education and teaching. With the continuous expansion of the scale of universities and the increasing demand for information technology, traditional academic management methods can no longer meet the needs of modern universities. Therefore, information technology reform is imperative. This article explores the informationization reform of university academic management systems, introduces the background and importance of informationization reform, and then explores the principles, including security, stability, compatibility, and high concurrency support. A series of countermeasures have been proposed, such as improving system functionality, strengthening information sharing, improving construction plans, and strengthening personnel team building.

#### 1. Introduction

With the continuous development of information technology and the increasing complexity of academic management in universities, the informationization reform of academic management systems in universities has become an important issue in the current field of education management. As an important venue for knowledge inheritance and talent cultivation, universities play a crucial role in their academic management system in the operation and management of the school. The informatization reform aims to improve the efficiency, quality, and service level of educational management, in order to adapt to the rapid changes in the educational environment and social needs. With the continuous expansion of university scale and diversified educational needs, traditional academic management methods are no longer able to meet the needs of universities. The information technology reform has introduced modern information technology into the educational management system, making it more intelligent, efficient, and convenient. This not only improves the transparency of school management and the scientificity of decision-making, but also enhances the quality of teaching and the level of student service, thereby promoting the sustainable development of universities.

### 2. Principles of Informationization in University Academic Affairs Management Systems

### 2.1 Principles of safety and stability

Ensure that sensitive data of schools and students is not illegally accessed, leaked, or tampered with. The system should adopt strong authentication and permission control mechanisms to ensure that only authorized users can access specific data. The system should have high availability to ensure that the academic management process is not interrupted due to system failures or maintenance. This can be achieved through redundant systems, load balancing, and backup solutions. Universities routinely safeguard their academic system data to mitigate potential data loss or corruption. They also implement an efficient data recovery mechanism to swiftly restore system functionality in the event of a catastrophe. Emphasis is placed on fortifying network security to deter malicious attacks, viruses, and the intrusion of malicious software<sup>[1]</sup>. This is achieved through the adoption of technologies such as firewalls, intrusion detection systems, and encrypted communication. Adherence to national and regional laws and regulations, particularly those pertaining to personal privacy and data protection, is a top priority in system operations. To ensure the lawful processing and storage of data, the system incorporates compliance controls. Additionally, universities regularly update system software and security patches to address known vulnerabilities, while maintaining a robust maintenance process to sustain optimal system performance.

### 2.2 Principle of strong compatibility

The academic management system should be able to run on different operating systems, such as Windows, Mac, Linux, etc., to ensure that different types of computer users can access and use the system. The system should support various mainstream web browsers, such as Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Microsoft Edge, etc., so that users can access the system in their preferred browsers without the need to install additional plugins or applications. Considering that users use different types of devices, including desktops, laptops, tablets, and smartphones, the system should be able to adapt to different screen sizes and resolutions to ensure good display and operation on various devices. The system should support multiple database management systems to integrate with different database systems, which helps ensure data security, accessibility, and scalability.

The system should be able to import and export multiple data formats for data exchange with other systems and applications. Common data formats include Excel, CSV, JSON, and more. The system should follow standard communication and data exchange protocols, such as HTTP, HTTPS, SOAP, REST, etc., in order to integrate and interoperate with other systems. Considering that universities may have students and faculty from different countries and regions, the system should support a multilingual interface so that users can choose the language they understand to use the system. Although compatibility is important, the system must also maintain a high level of security to ensure the protection of academic data and user privacy. Security measures should not hinder system compatibility, but should be balanced with it.

### 2.3 Principle of supporting high concurrency

The system should have the ability to flexibly expand and increase server resources as needed to meet high concurrency requirements. This can be achieved through cloud computing technology or load balancers to ensure that the system can also provide high-performance services during peak periods. Team members implement caching technology to reduce the strain on databases and servers<sup>[2]</sup>. This involves storing frequently accessed data in a cache to minimize the frequency of database queries and enhance response times. Team members also work on enhancing database

performance, which includes optimizing query execution, designing efficient indexes, and implementing database sharding techniques to enable the database to handle a high volume of concurrent requests. Additionally, some time-consuming operations, such as sending email notifications and generating reports, are designed as asynchronous tasks. This approach prevents these operations from blocking the main system functions, ensuring a smoother user experience. To balance the server load and ensure timely responses to requests, a load balancer is employed. It distributes incoming requests across different server nodes, maintaining a balanced load and optimizing system performance. System availability is a top priority, and mechanisms like redundant backups and failover systems are put in place to ensure system stability. This means that even if one server fails, the system can continue to function normally, minimizing downtime and ensuring a high level of service availability.

# 3. Countermeasures for the Informationization Reform of the Academic Affairs Management System in Universities

### 3.1 Improving the Functions of the Academic Affairs Management System

Universities have implemented a suite of digital solutions to enhance the educational experience, including online course selection and withdrawal, a course evaluation system for student and teacher feedback, comprehensive student profiles for easy access and updates, online grade inquiry to reduce paper transcript processing, intelligent course scheduling to avoid conflicts, a classroom reservation system for efficient resource use, unified faculty management for teaching and research data, online teacher evaluations for continuous improvement, a data warehouse for informed decision-making, reporting and statistical tools for monitoring, and robust security measures with data encryption, access control, and permission-based user accounts to safeguard sensitive information<sup>[3]</sup>.

### 3.2 Strengthen information sharing among various departments in universities

Universities need to establish a comprehensive information sharing platform or system that can connect various departments and institutions of the university to achieve centralized management and sharing of information. This platform can adopt modern information technologies such as cloud computing and big data analysis to ensure efficient storage, retrieval, and distribution of information. To ensure that information from different departments can be understood and collaborated with each other, universities need to establish clear information standards and norms. This includes unified data formats, naming rules, and information security and privacy protection policies. These standards and norms should be implemented throughout the entire university. To ensure that university staff can fully utilize information sharing platforms, relevant training and awareness raising activities need to be provided. This can include training courses, seminars, and training materials to help employees better understand how to use shared information to support academic management work. Information sharing not only includes the sharing of documents and reports, but also the integration and interaction of data. Universities can achieve data sharing between different systems by establishing data interfaces and application programming interfaces (APIs), in order to achieve higher levels of data analysis and decision support.

### 3.3 Improving the System Informatization Construction Plan

Universities clarify the specific goals of information technology reform. These goals may include improving the efficiency of academic management, improving teaching quality, and

providing better student services. The goals should be clear, measurable, and consistent with the school's long-term development strategy. Universities select appropriate technology platforms and solutions based on needs and goals. Considering the scale and complexity of universities, a comprehensive academic management system may be needed, covering aspects such as student registration management, curriculum arrangement, score management, and exam arrangement. Universities ensure that the selected technology can be expanded and customized to adapt to future demand changes. Develop a detailed project plan, including schedule, budget, staffing, etc. Ensure reasonable project progress and controllable risks. Considering that information technology reform is usually a complex project, project management methods and tools will be crucial. Universities integrate existing data into the new system to ensure data accuracy and consistency. This may involve data cleaning, migration, and transformation work to ensure that historical data is not lost or damaged. Universities provide training and support to faculty and students to ensure they are able to effectively use the new system. The training plan should include both basic and advanced training to meet the needs of different users. Universities ensure system security and data privacy. Take appropriate security measures, including authentication, data encryption, permission management, etc., to protect the security of the system and user data.

### 3.4 Strengthen the construction of academic management personnel team

Universities should actively cultivate and introduce management talents with knowledge in information technology and educational management. These talents need to possess professional knowledge in computer skills, information management, data analysis, and other aspects to better understand and apply information technology tools. Universities should encourage personnel with rich educational backgrounds to participate in the management team to ensure a close integration of information technology reform and educational practice<sup>[4]</sup>. Provide information technology training and continuing education opportunities for existing academic management personnel. This can be achieved through organizing internal training courses, external seminars, and online learning platforms. The training content should include knowledge of the latest developments in information technology, data analysis methods, information security, and other aspects to ensure that management personnel keep up with the pace of information technology development. Universities can establish interdisciplinary teams that bring together personnel from different fields such as information technology experts, education management experts, and data analysts to jointly promote information technology reform. This interdisciplinary team can promote knowledge exchange and cooperation in different fields, which helps to better understand the complexity of academic management. Universities should ensure that every academic management personnel understand their specific responsibilities and responsibilities in information technology reform. This can be achieved by establishing clear workflow and division of responsibilities. Universities regularly evaluate and monitor work progress to ensure team members fulfill their responsibilities and encourage active participation in information technology reform work. Establish incentive mechanisms to reward managers who have performed well in information technology reform. This can include promotion opportunities, bonuses, or other incentive measures to stimulate the motivation and creativity of management personnel.

# 4. Conclusion

The informationization reform of the academic management system in universities is aimed at adapting to the needs of modern educational management, improving management efficiency and service quality. Information technology reform must adhere to the principles of security, stability, strong compatibility, and support for high concurrency. These principles are key to ensuring the

smooth operation of the educational management system and meeting various needs. Reform needs to focus on improving the functionality of the academic management system to better support various academic affairs in universities. This includes the improvement and optimization of functions such as student information management, course arrangement, and grade management. Information sharing is another important aspect of reform. Information sharing among departments can reduce repetitive work and improve work efficiency. Therefore, strengthening information sharing among various departments is one of the necessary measures for information technology reform.

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