Bring out the best in each and every student

To improve student success, colleges embrace data analytics and virtual assistants

Whether it’s helping students select a major, pass a course, or pursue opportunities for growth, there are many points in the journey where students need support. Technology offers institutions powerful ways to provide that support and better understand their students – in the form of personalized assistants, real-time insights, collaboration tools, and more.

Improve student services with personalized support

To help students get the information they need, when they need it, Strayer University launched Irving in 2017. A virtual assistant built on Dialogflow, Irving categorizes student questions by topic, then searches campus databases for responses.

Strayer University is using Google Cloud machine learning tools to provide 24/7 support to students and free up Strayer staff to serve students with more complicated questions and needs. Irving now handles 93% of student enquiries – and as of January 2020, 89% of students agree that Irving helped them solve their issues easily.

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Break down silos and get insights from teaching & learning data

Universities generate terabytes of data from teaching tools, and that volume is growing year over year. Too often, this data stays within its source system, resulting in an incomplete picture of student engagement and progress.

Unizin, a nonprofit consortium of higher eds focusing on data integration, learning analytics, and digital content, exists to solve this challenge. The Unizin Data Platform, built on Google Cloud, is an integration and warehousing solution for data generated by teaching tools. It leverages industry standards to aggregate data from the LMS, SIS, and LTI tools and then deliver that data to universities providing real-time insights that improve student success.

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“I'm already busy with a full time family,” explained one student. “Having Irving, 24/7, to be able to—even at two o'clock in the morning when I'm working on a research paper—to click on and see Irving down in the bottom right hand corner is a strong benefit.”
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