


**workday. @ GVSU Monthly Update**


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**Two Years of Workday @ GVSU: Call for Input**

As we mark two years with Workday HR, Payroll, and Finance, we want to thank our faculty and staff for learning and growing with us. Your feedback has helped us gain valuable insights, and we remain committed to continuous improvement.

In 2026, we're focusing on making Workday even better for everyone. The [Workday Governance Group](#) is making a request for all Appointing Officers to gather feedback on Workday issues, challenges and ideas for improvement. If you have suggestions or concerns, please share them with your direct supervisor or unit head so they can be passed along to your Appointing Officer.

All submissions will be reviewed and prioritized by the Workday Governance Group, with a summary of key themes and planned updates shared with campus this spring.


**Finance Reference Guide Now Available!**

The [Finance Reference Guide](#) is now available for faculty and staff. This one-stop resource brings together essential information on finance concepts and transactions, with links to relevant policies, procedures, trainings, articles, and videos. Topics and features include:

- Introduction & Basics of Accounting at GVSU
- Workday Concepts
- Travel & Expense
- Spend Authorizations
- Payroll Costing Allocations
- And more!

Along with the Guide, we recommend [subscribing to Finance Updates](#) to receive timely notifications about changes and information.


**Workday Student Enters Final Design Stage**

The design phase for Workday Student will conclude in March. During this phase, GVSU teams worked closely with our implementation partner, Alchemy, to define how student processes (like registration, advising, curriculum, and records) will function in the new system.

After the design work is complete, the [Workday Student Project Team](#) will begin extensive testing throughout the spring and summer. GVSU will start its first activities in Workday Student in late 2026, with larger transitions and activities taking place throughout 2027.


**Workday Student Survey Summary**

Thank you again to everyone who shared feedback through the Workday Student Survey. Your input continues to shape our priorities as we move forward with Workday Student. We compiled key themes into a summary report that outlines what we heard as well as our next steps. To learn more, view the [survey summary report](#).

For questions on the survey summary, contact [wdstudentproject@gvsu.edu](mailto:wdstudentproject@gvsu.edu).


**Learn to Speak Workday:  
Change Management Workstream**

The Change Management Workstream supports the people side of our Workday transition. This team helps the GVSU community understand what's changing, get prepared, and feel confident using Workday. They lead communications, engagement, and training, so faculty, staff, and students stay informed and supported every step of the way.

Learn more about the Change Management team's work by visiting the [Community Messages](#), [Communications Advisory Group](#), and [Workday Student Training](#) pages.


**Need Assistance? Workday Support Resources**

A variety of Workday support resources are available to the GV community. You can access these resources through the [Workday Support webpage](#).

Here you'll find quick access to [Workday Help articles](#), support contacts across the university, links to [submit tickets](#) and more.

Any other Workday questions can be emailed to [wdstudentproject@gvsu.edu](mailto:wdstudentproject@gvsu.edu).

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