

Decision Support Release Notes

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1. Catalog & Schedule

1.1 Correction to "Exploding" Terms Issue

Products Affected: Catalog & Schedule EDW Tables

Universe Affected: N/A

Case Number: 20041104_809

Implemented On: December 15, 2005

Description: Decision Support noted an error in the processing logic for Catalog tables that was causing data to appear for courses in terms during which the course was not offered. For example, a course that had a specified end term in the T_CRS_LISTING table would appear in the T_CRS_GNRL_INFO table in all terms through the "end of Banner time". The ETL transformation logic did not take into account the end term that is designated by Banner table SCBCRKY.

To correct this error, Decision Support has modified the processing logic to ensure that the Catalog tables only contain records for Terms during which courses were active.

2. Financial Aid

2.1 Add Level GPA Objects to Financial Aid Universes

Products Affected: Financial Aid Security Roles

Universe Affected: EDW – STU – Financial Aid

Case Number: 20051110_543

Implemented On: December 1, 2005

Description: Users of Financial Aid data with the appropriate security roles (FINAID and DM_FINAID_4) may now connect to and use the Student Academic History Term (T_STUDENT_AH_TERM) and the Student Academic History Term GPA (T_STUDENT_AH_TERM_GPA) tables via ODBC. Users can use these tables in their queries to find Term GPA data for students.

3. Human Resources/Payroll

3.1 Correction to Current Contract Object

Products Affected: HR Business Objects Universe

Universe Affected: EDW – HR – Position and Job Hierarchy

Case Number: 20051109_317

Implemented On: December 6, 2005

Description: An object for "Current Contract" was erroneously included in the Position-Job Hierarchy universe. Current Contract should have been a pre-defined condition, and not a reporting object. The erroneous object has been removed from the universe, and a new pre-defined condition has been added. Users may use the Current Contract pre-defined condition to limit report results to data associated with an employee's current contract.

3.2 Missing Job Labor & Position Labor Distribution Records

Products Affected: HR EDW Tables

HR Business Objects Universes

Universe Affected: EDW – HR – Position and Job Hierarchy

EDW - HR - Salary Planner

Case Number: 20040909 493

Implemented On: December 22, 2005 (table) and January 5, 2006 (universe)

Description: Decision Support noted an error in the way that Job and Position Labor Distribution records were processed that was causing some records to be excluded from the EDW tables T_JOB_LBR_DISTR and T_POSN_LBR_DISTR. These tables were processed to only include Banner records with a status of "A" (Active), although some records could progress from A to H (Historical) and D (Deleted). Records with a Banner status of H or D were not included for processing into the Data Warehouse.

In order to ensure that all records are included in the Data Warehouse, Decision Support has added one new table (T_JOB_LBR_DISTR_AUD_HIST) that will capture the Job Labor Distribution data each night exactly as it appears in the Banner system, including the H and D status records. These tables are available via ODBC. The existing tables will continue to contain only the Active status records.

The Data Status Description and Data Expiration Date objects in the universes listed above have been corrected to ensure that they display the proper information for all records in the T_JOB_LBR_DIST and T_POSN_LBR_DIST tables.

Finally, the Labor Distribution Percentage field has been modified from an integer (25, 50, 100, etc.) to a decimal field (.25, .5, 1.0, etc.).

4. Records & Transfer Articulation

4.1 Correction to Race Ethnic/IPEDS Race Ethnic Code Mismatches

Products Affected: Academic Records Business Objects Universe

Universe Affected: EDW – STU – Academic Records

Case Number: 20051214_302

Implemented On: December 22, 2005

Description: Decision Support has corrected an error in the Records universe that caused mismatched Race Ethnic and IPEDS Race Ethnic data to appear. An erroneous universe join has been corrected, and Race Ethnic and IPDES Race Ethnic codes now appear with their correct descriptions.

4.2 Correction to PDL Primary Degree Department Code Logic

Products Affected: Academic Records EDW Table

Universe Affected: N/A

Case Number: 20050822 1426

Implemented On: December 8, 2005

Description: Decision Support has noted an error with the Primary Degree Department Code data in the Pending Degree table T_STUDENT_PDL_DEG_HIST. The Primary Degree Department Code field was being incorrectly populated with default values of 1NON, 2NON, and 4NON. Decision Support has corrected the processing logic, and this field is now populated with the correct Primary Degree Department Code data as available in the Banner table SZDGMR.