This project will allow us to implement a software system to better manage applications, awards and compliance issues:

- Documents are stored in an electronic repository
- Registration forms are electronically routed
- Federal applications are submitted via system-to-system technology
- Compliance modules provide tracking features
- Robust reports are accessible
- Award information imports directly into Marquette’s financial system

Investigators will readily know how much money is in their account.

A small group of us first got together in Summer 2014, well before the innovation program existed, as this was a pressing issue. We made a list of our needs and wants, then saw three vendor demos. With innovation funds, we were able to fast-track our process. We brought in IT Services, held new demos and invited many others on campus to weigh in on the selection. KualiCo was selected as our vendor. We are finishing the contracting process and look forward to beginning implementation very soon!

Improved research infrastructure (i.e., enhancement of organizational effectiveness) will support the grant application and award management process (i.e., research in action). As the university doubles its research, we need to make sure we have processes in place to support faculty/staff with their applications and awards. Any efficiencies will go a long way as we increase our volume. More importantly, we need to have good systems in place to make sure that we are in compliance with federal and other sponsor guidelines at all times.

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