



Introducing

RHODYBUY

The new procure-to-pay solution

Project Overview w

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THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Strategic Procurement

Overview

Introducing RhodyBuy :
URI's New Procure -to -Pay System

URI is implementing a new, easy to use eProcurement tool to modernize and improve the procure -to -pay process and user experience.

This is a significant technological and cultural change that will affect employees who purchase (and approve) goods and services.

RhodyBuy will replace PeopleSoft Purchasing and Accounts Payable modules.

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Who is Impacted

Which URI employees will see changes

- All Academic Departments
- All Administrative Units
- Employees who purchase and approve goods or services
- Employees who request new suppliers

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RhodyBuy Timeline

Project Timeline

Pilot
Go Live

Campus
Go Live

CY2024

Spring

Summer

Fall

We are spending this SPRING to finish the configuration of RhodyBuy, with a group of Pilot departments that will be accessing RhodyBuy in late Spring.

After year-end close, in late SUMMER, we will ramp up a deliberate deployment of RhodyBuy to the broader campus.

During the early FALL, we will continue deployment and training across the campus



Pilot Group



Testing



Training

Campus

RhodyBuy Goals

Implementation of a University -wide procure -to -pay solution



INCREASE

- Increase efficiency through process automation
- Increase ease of use and consistency across the campus
- Increase visibility for suppliers
- Increase payment efficiency to better serve our suppliers



ELIMINATE

- Eliminate errors with workflow automation and data validation
- Eliminate duplication
- Eliminate shadow systems
- Eliminate the use of emails as a workflow process

Key Benefits

Of implementation of a University -wide procurement system

Faster Order Processing

RhodyBuy automates requisition submissions, approval workflows, and order processing, leading to **shorter purchasing cycles**.

Improved Visibility into Purchases

Real-time integration with financial systems enhances expenditure monitoring and budget tracking. Allows **active view of budgeting** for requested purchases, approval workflow and order status.

Specific for URI

The system is designed for **ease of use**, ensuring that everyone can navigate and make the most of its features, including **simpler searching** for orders and invoices. Departments can access a marketplace of URI **tailored catalogs** and preferred vendors.

Enhanced Vendor Management

A centralized platform for vendor interactions **streamlines communication** and collaboration.

Additional Information

Where to find more information on RhodyBuy

1. Stay Informed

Additional project information and updates are available on our [Strategic Procurement website](https://web.uri.edu/strategic-procurement/purchasing/)

2. Questions?

Please contact RhodyBuy at: [Questions -RhodyBuy -Group@uri.edu](mailto:Questions-RhodyBuy-Group@uri.edu)

Your involvement and feedback are vital as we transition to a more streamlined and efficient procure-to-pay process.

We encourage you to ask questions!

