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CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Student Planning, a software program designed to aid students in class registration and class scheduling, is now available to Cedarville University students.

Cedarville University’s Information Technology and Office of the Registrar collaborated to create this application, which merges technology and course scheduling and helps students plan their courses over their four-year college careers. The program will help students stay on course with their academic choices and may improve graduation rates since students will know when a course will be offered during their four-year education.

Earlier this year, both offices piloted and tested this program with a group of faculty and allied health and social work students. The results were overwhelmingly positive as the students successfully registered for spring semester 2015 classes. The program interfaces directly with the university’s degree audit system and checks a student’s progress toward graduation. During freshman year, students will be able to create a four-year degree-completion plan, as the software serves as a platform for students to register for classes included in their academic program.

Students beginning in their freshmen year will benefit from easier class registration for terms and the discontinuance of class codes. Student advisers will be able to provide students with planning assistance and can also make changes to a plan to address the specific student. Students will also be able to view their unofficial transcripts, the university catalog, their GPA and fulfilled admissions requirements.

The program is available to both graduate and undergraduate university students, and multiple
training sessions will be available on Wednesday, March 11.

“The Student Planning system will change the way students work with advisers, register for courses and visually enact a four-year plan, making it easier to graduate on time,” says Scott Howder, Cedarville’s assistant chief information officer.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 3,620 undergraduate, graduate and online students in more than 100 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings and leading student satisfaction ratings.