

# SUNY Enhances Integration and Security with Oracle Identity Federation



The State University of New York

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## INDUSTRY:

Higher Education

## DEMOGRAPHICS:

555,000 Students, Faculty & Staff

## ORACLE PRODUCTS & SERVICES:

Oracle Identity Federation

“Oracle’s 11G Identity Federation solution is on track and has allowed SUNY to integrate our diverse campus security into a fully functional solution.”

### Dave Powalyk, CTO SUNY

“With the integration of Oracle Identity Federation, the SUNY community benefits from the capability to participate in other federated services provided by other Higher Education institutions outside of SUNY. That is a huge value added benefit for everyone involved and allows our campuses to participate in services provided both nationally and internationally with minimal effort.”

Ken Runyon, Project Manager,  
SUNY OAS

## Profile

The State University of New York (SUNY) is the nation's largest comprehensive system of public higher education, offering programs at 64 geographically dispersed campuses. Its thirty four (34) State-operated campuses are partially funded via New York's State budget. The SUNY community also includes 30 Community Colleges that are partially funded by local counties. Its University-wide Alliance Centers (SUNY Alliance for Strategic Technologies (AST)) are responsible for aligning necessary technology with campus needs. SUNY's IT serve a diverse community of users ranging from students to the general public, faculty and staff as well as interfaces with New York State government agencies.

## Challenges

- Given its geographically distributed campus structure, SUNY must leverage existing campus-based Identity Management infrastructures, combining staff resources in the most efficient and effective manner to provide SUNY-wide service access.
- SUNY has been mandated to provide access to online security training programs provided by New York State Office for Technology (NYS OFT). The NYS OFT identity management infrastructure is based on a completely different technology. The SUNY technology solution must be capable of interoperating with a variety of potential service providers and be committed to open standards.
- SUNY has to facilitate seamless access to its larger community for federated service access hosted outside of its own network of Higher Educational institutions.

## Solution

- With Oracle Identity Federation 11g (OIF 11g), SUNY has successfully enabled participating campuses and universities to maintain the security of their data and user base while facilitating secure access to shared services.
- OIF 11g's support for industry standards has enabled SUNY to establish SAML v2.x federated access to NYS OFT services. This was the first ever federation of a NYS government entities. Additionally, Oracle's OIF 11g's commitment to standards has enabled SUNY to rapidly deploy federated access for its larger community in a matter of weeks.
- Integration with OIF 11g also enables the SUNY community to access federated services provided by other Higher Education institutions outside of SUNY seamlessly.

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