As individuals advance their careers and businesses advance their strategic models, some organizations remain in the PESC Membership for long periods of time, some for shorter periods. Along the way collaboration allows us to learn from each other and pass on the much-needed collective wisdom within higher education.

As PESC plans for its 25th Year Anniversary in 2022, we are taking the time to reflect and share testimonials and endorsements from organizations regarding PESC, PESC Membership and standards.
"The Chamber Foundation is excited to join PESC and to contribute toward the ongoing development of data standards for education."
RUTH BLADES
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
COUNCIL ON ADMISSION & TRANSFER OF NOVA SCOTIA

“The Council on Admission and Transfer of Nova Scotia is excited to become a PESC Member. We are happy to support development of the standards that are key to our success.”
KEN SAUER, PH.D.
SENIOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER AND CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER, INDIANA COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

"PESC... a strong and influential voice for promoting national and international standards to facilitate postsecondary data exchange."
“As the exchange of student data becomes digitized, we maintain our commitment to standards and join PESC in its mission to develop data standards in the education domain and to staying in the forefront of technological advancement.”
AMBER GARRISON DUNCAN
STRATEGY DIRECTOR
LUMINA FOUNDATION

“Lumina Foundation believes that data standards are an essential aspect for improving data quality, transparency, and interoperability on competencies and credentials for students, employers, and institutions. We are proud to join the data standards community & support efforts that allow systems to connect data together to ensure the ability of students to pursue further education and employment.”
MATTHEW PITTINSKY, PH.D.
CEO
PARCHMENT

"Parchment is committed to driving industry standards for the exchange of credentials data among educational & professional organizations because it improves efficiencies from all sides."

TESTIMONIALS – Through the Years
Mike McIntyre
President and COO
AcademyOne

“Using the PESC standards…was instrumental in the automated work flow we created to support the reverse transfer process [University of Tennessee System].”
"We have discussed PESC and were excited to…join as Members. We are endeavouring to follow PESC Standards wherever possible as we map our data fields and consider the systems impact of our business practices during our [systems] renewal project."
JOANNE DUKLAS
PRESIDENT
DUKLAS CORNERSTONE CONSULTING

"PESC is a core partner in the digitization space and their activities and focus are directly aligned to the work ongoing in Canada and around the world."

NICK HATHAWAY  
MANAGING DIRECTOR  
eLOCKER  

“E Locker.org empowers students and families to truly own educational records and use them to advance education and employment. Your data guiding your life! Our team at E Locker is excited to take part in the important work of PESC.”
CHRIS JAGERS
CEO
LEARNING MACHINE

“Learning Machine is proud to become members of PESC and join in the mission building data standards that ensure the interoperability and longevity of digital academic records.”
“At Liaison, we’ve seen the power of bringing together higher education communities through our Centralized Application Services (CAS) to improve the enrollment management process for all involved. By partnering with PESC, we’re hoping to use that same community-minded approach to standardize open data exchange, which will make it easier for prospective students to explore their educational options and will simplify data management for our on-campus partners.”
Amit Panchal
Sr VP and Region Head – Americas
eMudhra

“eMudhra, a premier software company that specializes in Digital Transformation, AI based Analytics and Cybersecurity solutions, is pleased to support PESC as a Member and engage with the global PESC community.”
CATHERINE MCKENZIE
PROJECT MANAGER FOR
THE CHANCELLOR’S OFFICE
CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

“In California’s Community College System, we’re implementing the XML Postsecondary Transcript. It will save us time and most importantly resources and money. We are looking for one way to process transcripts and this will be it.”
"The alliance between HR Open Standards and PESC allows us to coordinate standards development efforts, exchange knowledge, advance interoperability, and educate the community regarding standards, all of which benefit our members and the industry."
Pete Nalli
Director of Architecture & Software Development
Datatel

“PESC standards set the guidelines for the higher education industry. By following these guidelines, Datatel ensures its clients the most interoperable solutions that will provide the top-notch services their constituents deserve.”
“As a college that builds its own homegrown applications, Penn College deals with data exchanges from many different organizations. Providing input while the standards are under development gives us an opportunity to impact how well our own systems will be able to integrate the new standards. We are pleased to join PESC’s efforts in creating national, open standards for higher education.”
David K. Moldoff  
CEO and Founder  
AcademyOne, Inc.

"The importance of data specifications and standards to support the Academy cannot be understated. The multitude of touch points spanning data systems reveal the complexity and burden of system integration and information access. If we are ever going to address the means to improve how data systems interoperate and coexist, we must come together to develop and maintain a meta data dictionary, the methods and protocols spanning touch points, & the rules governing change. PESC is where the higher education community comes together to create the building blocks and sustainable process
underlying integration and information access long term."

**Jack Kramer**

*Sr. Vice President for Solutions Architecture and Enterprise Applications, SunGard Higher Education*

"Our vision of the Unified Digital Campus relies on system interoperability across the enterprise. PESC standards help us deliver environments in which systems, individuals, and communities interact seamlessly for learning, teaching, administration, and achievement."

**Testimonials – Through the Years**
**Bill Hollowsky**  
**Senior Director of Applications Strategy**  
**Oracle Corporation**

“Working with PESC has helped enable Oracle to begin early adoption of the standards in our software development life cycle. Not only does this assist in reducing Oracle’s development time and effort but more importantly it helps reduce complexity and lower costs for our customers.”
"We believe that creating and implementing standards is the key to a fluid system of transfers, which broaden attainment and create a more cohesive educational community. We're looking forward to the work ahead and encourage our colleagues, both corporate and institutional, to join us in PESC and in the important tasks at hand. When institutions speak the same technical language, students are the winners."
BARBARA S. CLEMENTS, PH.D.
CHIEF STANDARDS OFFICER
NATIONAL TRANSCRIPT CENTER

“All of us at the National Transcript Center are passionate about the increased use of open standards in education data exchange. Because of this, we are pleased to be working directly and more officially with the membership of PESC to ensure these standards will promote more efficient transmission of data across all levels of the education system.”
"We are excited to continue to work with PESC to expand electronic standards throughout the postsecondary education community. Increasing data consistency and standards drives down costs and improves services for government agencies and individual schools. We look forward to collaborating with PESC, the federal government, and schools to continue to improve interoperability within the community."
"We are delighted to be joining PESC and to be participating in the advancement of electronic standards for the postsecondary education community. Integration is a core component of our product suite, particularly with respect to our cutting-edge Transfer and Articulation technology. Collaborating with industry experts on data standardization is strategic to our organization in helping us to lower costs for our customers, expedite solution implementation and generate partnering opportunities with likeminded technology companies and institutions."
Russ Bilotta
Director of Administrative Systems
Neumann College

"Neumann College has been experiencing a growth rate over the last few years. As part of the growth, all business system models are being reviewed for ease of entry. With the continued integration of information from external sources, the College has realized the need for standards across all Business Units. In that vein, the College has created a Data Standards panel to review and collaborate information processing. At times postsecond-ary institutions tend to 're-invent the wheel', but by finding PESC, we have a beginning template to assist in our future decision-making."
"Kaplan University is dedicated to providing innovative postsecondary education with a student-centered service and support approach. With a trend of ever-accelerating student mobility and transfer between institutions of higher learning within and outside of state and national borders, Kaplan University considers PESC's mission of standardized data exchange to facilitate collaboration across educational communities to be a key element in defining higher education in the 21st century. We are pleased to join this association and look forward to taking part in this effort to improve the educational experience for students."
RICHARD BACKES
SENIOR ASSOCIATE REGISTRAR
WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

"Washington State University is very interested in using the electronic standards provided by PESC in delivering transcripts electronically, both to our colleagues' institutions as well as to employers and others. Having recently completed an online transcript order system, we see this as the next logical step, and we are relying on those involved with these standards to help us with this implementation. We have also begun to investigate the delivery of University Catalog data in electronic form and are very excited about the joining the effort in this area as well."
"Systems must be designed to meet the standards & guidelines of NCES…including the schemas of PESC."
"Embrace common standards & data systems so we can know where we stand and how to move forward."

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In the eleven states of MHEC, "schools not only save time and can improve processes, but also recoup an estimated $6.70 per paper-based transcript processed (according to NCES study on cost per transcript to secondary/post-secondary schools). With an average of 6 transcripts per student being requested, that adds up to over $40 per college bound student. Postsecondary institutions will also see a savings, calculated at over $9 per incoming high school transcript."
“In Ontario the cost to process a hardcopy postsecondary transcript was $4.18. The calculated cost to exchange an electronic transcript is $1.14, resulting in a savings of $3.04 for each transcript processed. This represents a reduction of approximately 73% in preparation and transport cost and does not include any savings being realized by the institutions for not having to manually load grade records into admission systems.”
CRAIG POWELL
PRESIDENT AND CEO
CONNECTEDU

“ConnectEDU welcomes these new industry standards, particularly the Admissions Application & Education Test Score Reporting, which directly impact our ability to enable student success by streamlining the way student records data is moved to institutions of higher education. ConnectEDU will provide colleges and universities nationwide with the opportunity to receive the new XML standard for electronic admissions applications from over 2,000,000 students in the ConnectEDU National Network™.”