Higher Education Digital Services 2021–2022 RadarView

Denotes other providers and their practice maturity in the Higher Education Digital Services 2021–2022 RadarView
TCS: RadarView profile

Practice overview
- Practice size: 1,700+
- Active clients: 80+
- Delivery highlights: 30 delivery centers

Industry-specific solutions/offeringings

- **Student enrollment**: An automation-based AI solution for end-to-end student outreach to gain enrollment growth.
- **Content management**: An AI-based solution for providing immersive and hyperpersonalized learning experiences.
- **Remote proctoring**: A cloud-based solution using AI and analytics for monitoring students.
- **TCS iON™**: A cloud-based platform for digital campus, assessments, marking, and learning solutions.

Partnerships/alliances

- **SAP**: Developed joint GTM for finance, procurement, and HCM solutions for institutions.
- **Microsoft**: Developed industry-specific solutions using MS Learn and white spaces on MS Dynamics using Power platform.
- **MuleSoft**: Developed joint GTM across geographies to leverage enterprise integration application for back-end operations.
- **salesforce**: Partnered for using consulting services and integration of Salesforce education cloud.
- **ORACLE**: Co-developed Crystallus™ solution for Education cloud along with finance, procurement, and HCM solutions.
- **Adobe**: Co-developed solutions for student enrollment, to be jointly taken to the market.

Sample clients
- A public research university in Canada
- An engineering university in India
- A university in the UK
- A technical and research university in India
- A university in South Africa
- An educational association in Japan
- A University in Middle East

Service line coverage

- Student engagement
- Faculty engagement
- Curriculum and learning management
- Administrative services
- Infrastructure management
- Security and risk services

Practice maturity

- Investments & innovation

Partner ecosystem

Driving value by leveraging synergies from the Tata ecosystem and strong partner network. It has a broad portfolio of IP assets and digital solutions.
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| A public research university  | Automation       | • The university needed to optimize its operations to simplify service and reimagine the student experience.  
• TCS deployed its automation capabilities to simplify administrative processes such as form filing. It also digitized many frontend operations to expedite processes. | Reduced processing time significantly.               |
| in Canada                      |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                      |
| An engineering university in   | Analytics, Cloud | • The university was unable to share knowledge and best practices because of the absence of a platform. It also faced difficulty in sharing content and related material with students.  
• TCS deployed its iON Digital Glass Room to connect students and faculty through blogs, bytes, and wikis. It also enabled on-the-go assessment with instant evaluation and personalized feedback. | Enhanced the overall experience.  
• Reduced assessment efforts.  
• Expedited results delivery.  |
| Tamil Nadu, India              |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                      |
| A large university in the UK   | Automation       | • The university wanted to upgrade existing finance modules to eliminate errors from manual processing, ensure tax compliance, and integrate data from multiple sources.  
• TCS deployed Oracle’s finance re-implementation program to automate the invoicing process, increase the use of projects, and facilitate budgeting and planning activities. | Improved reporting of accounts.  
• Optimized costs.  
• Enabled tax compliance.  |
| A technical and research       | Analytics, Automation | • The university wanted to simplify its admission process and replace manual interventions in collecting relevant documents.  
• TCS automated the admission process including seat allocation based on the university’s requirements. It also streamlined communication by automating messages sent through SMS and e-mail. Using analytics, it provided insights on admission statistics. | Increased seat fulfilment from 82% to 98%.  
• Eliminated errors in the admission process.  
• Increased productivity.  |
| university in India            |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                      |
## TCS: RadarView profile

### Analyst insights

#### Practice maturity

- To gain more traction in the higher education vertical, TCS has established a business unit that specializes in transforming student and faculty experiences (through adaptive learning, education models, digitized assessment, and hyper-personalized and gamified content) and modernizing campuses (through process automation, bots-led assistance, and cloud-based learning).
- It is providing differentiated services by leveraging the Tata ecosystem. Specifically, it is reaping the benefits of continuous investments in Tata ClassEdge (a digital learning content management platform) and Tata Tomorrow University (a digital university) to demonstrate digital experience.
- To align with emerging industry dynamics, TCS has developed solutions using its IP assets and digital capabilities. For example, its iON platform has enabled digital assessments for around 250M students of which around 1M have been remotely proctored. Additionally, for universities in Africa, it partnered with a leading secure print solutions company in the UK to provide tamper proof digital certificates.
- TCS has built long-standing relationships with many educational institutions while assisting them in their digital transformation journey. For example, it has been the strategic advisor for a university in Canada for 15 years and has assisted them in critical projects such as campus automation.

#### Investments and innovation

- To promote digital adoption in the higher education vertical and facilitate collaborative innovation, TCS is investing heavily in its Co-Innovation Network (COIN, which connects startups, academia, and clients) and has multiple ongoing projects in the field of research and innovation.
- Through TCS iON™, it has transformed many critical processes for the educational institutions. TCS iON™ has filed 135 patents and has been granted 25 patents related to remote proctoring and detecting unfair examination means. It has applied for 53 trademarks for TCS iON™ in four countries.
- To promote an innovation-led approach in universities, TCS has set up Pace Port labs in different regions. Specifically, the TCS Pace Port in North America specializes in leveraging design thinking capabilities to identify potential solutions for the institutions’ business challenges.

#### Partner ecosystem

- To provide customized solutions across the educational service line, TCS has co-developed solutions and/or planned a joint GTM strategy with leading technology providers. For example, it partnered with Microsoft globally for co-developing seven functional areas on MS Dynamics using Power platform and Oracle for co-developing SIS and ERP solutions on Oracle Student Cloud in Europe.
- TCS has built a robust partner ecosystem to implement end-to-end digital solutions for clients. It partnered with hyperscalers (such as AWS and GCP), CRM and ERP solution providers (such as SAP, Salesforce, and Ellucian), integration platform providers (such as Dell and MuleSoft), and data intelligence companies (such as Collibra and Informatica).