

IWMS Project

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Why is Facilities Management replacing FAMIS?

Facilities Management's role on campus is to manage all of its work in the most efficient and productive way possible. Our current system (FAMIS) has worked remarkably well since 2005, but integrated work management software platforms have come a long way since then and our work demands additional functionality. Effective data capture is a key requirement for accurate reporting. The university has increased its reliance on reporting on an ever increasing number of data points over the past number of years. Newer systems permit data capture in a way that FAMIS has not been set up to do. In addition, Dalhousie's version of FAMIS will no longer be supported by the vendor, Accruent.

Dalhousie embarked on an extensive and highly competitive procurement process to replace FAMIS in 2022. As of June 2023 Dalhousie and Assetworks executed an agreement to implement Assetworks as the new IWMS at Dalhousie. FM strongly believes that AssetWorks is the right vendor to meet our future work management needs. AssetWorks will provide a more intuitive, user-friendly interface using mobile and desktop platforms, integrate time reporting for payroll and customer billing, improve access to current and historical information and metrics, improve process automation and streamline workflow, allow for predictive maintenance, and expand customer communication and data sharing options.

Facilities Management looks forward to having this important tool in its toolbox in the near future. The implementation is expected to be completed in phases over the coming 24-30 months. We invite you to stay tuned for future updates.