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How Pennant represents divisions

What?

In the Banner software used in Pennant, the three-character SRS division code is changing from three characters to two.

How?

The new codes employ a two-character alphabetic schema in which the first letter identifies the School.

See page 2 for a mapping of SRS codes to new codes.

Background: A working definition for “division” at Penn is “an organizational entity within a School that administers academic programs and manages students, courses, and/or faculty.” Academic programs at Penn are generally identified by specific combinations of division, degree, and major.

SRS division codes were designed to be mnemonic, resulting in most cases in a first character that represents the School; the remaining characters, in most cases, indicate the division within the school.

The NGSS team carefully reviewed options and opportunities for defining equivalent codes in Pennant. Members agreed that, within Banner constraints, the codings should be as meaningful and as intuitive as possible.

Recognizing that the new coding schema will be unfamiliar and less than perfectly intuitive, the NGSS team will implement features, training, and documentation to orient Pennant users.

When?

The new codes will apply to Release 1 of Pennant and to all subsequent releases.

Who?

Analysis and mapping of SRS division codes to Pennant division codes was done by the NGSS project team, including representatives from several administrative units.

In Release 1, only limited student data will be loaded to Pennant and anyone viewing this data will see the new codes labeled as “College.” Users of Accounts Receivable data in the Data Warehouse will also see the new codes, but mapping and translation tables (from SRS three-character to Pennant two-character codes) will be provided while SRS remains the system of record for academic data, to allow for cross-collection reporting. In all places where the division code is displayed, a description (e.g., “College of Arts and Sciences”) will also be displayed. In later Pennant releases, additional processes and personnel will work with the new codes.

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Divisions in Pennant

SRS	Pennant	Description*	School
CGS	AL	College of Lib & Prof Studies	A = Arts & Sciences
COL	AU	College of Arts & Sciences	A = Arts & Sciences
GAS	AP	Graduate Arts & Sciences	A = Arts & Sciences
SPC	AE	ELP-Engl For Foreign Students	A = Arts & Sciences
SS	AS	Summer Sessions	A = Arts & Sciences
ASC	CM	Annenberg Masters	C = Communications
ASP	CP	Annenberg PhD	C = Communications
DEN	DM	Dental Medicine	D = Dental
DPH	DY	Dental Medicine Post Grad	D = Dental
EDG	GM	Education Masters/Doctorate	G = Education
EDP	GP	Education PhD	G = Education
GEN	EM	SEAS Masters	E = Engineering
EAS	EU	SEAS Undergraduate	E = Engineering
GEP	EP	SEAS PhD	E = Engineering
GEX	EX	SEAS Exec Education	E = Engineering
GFA	FM	School of Design Prof	F = Design (Fine Arts)
GFP	FP	School of Design Grad	F = Design (Fine Arts)
GPL	LY	Law Post Graduate	L=Law
LAW	LR	Law	L=Law
LWP	LD	Law Doctorate	L=Law
BMP	MP	Medicine MD/PhD	M=Med School
MED	MR	Perelman School of Medicine	M= Med School
NUG	NM	Nursing Masters	N = Nursing
NUP	NP	Nursing PhD	N = Nursing
NUR	NU	Nursing Undergraduate	N = Nursing
NRP	ND	Nursing Doctorate	N = Nursing
SW	SM	SP2	S = Social Policy & Practice
SWD	SD	SP2 Doctorate	S = Social Policy & Practice
SWP	SP	SP2 PhD	S = Social Policy & Practice
VEM	VP	Vet Medicine VMD/PHD	V=Vet
VET	VR	Veterinary Medicine	V=Vet
WEM	WX	Wharton Graduate	W= Wharton
WH	WU	Wharton Undergraduate	W= Wharton
WHG	WM	Wharton Graduate	W= Wharton
WHP	WP	Wharton PhD	W= Wharton

Note: Obsolete divisions will be converted using codes having a “Z” as the first character.

* Descriptions in SRS that are longer than 30 characters will be abbreviated in Banner.