# Transitioning to a Cashless Environment

STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

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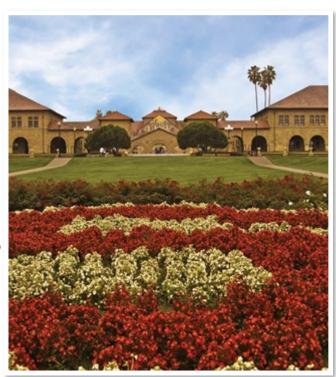
### **Our Time**

- Student Payments
- Department Depositors
- The Result



# **Student Payments**

WHAT DO WE DO WITH OUR CASH PAYMENT?



## Stanford Background

- Private Institution
- Approximately 16,000 students (UG & GR)
- Currently bill ~ \$1.0B per Academic Year





# July 2013

# Student Financial Advisory Board

770+

## Why in 2013?

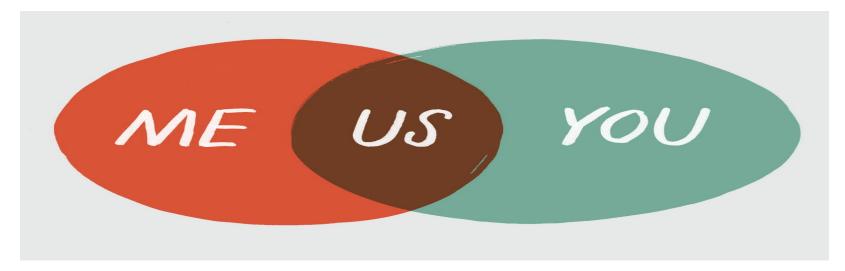
- E-banking services
- International Funds Transfer



- Tracking and reconciliation of payments
- Audit risks
- Vulnerabilities of cash handling by staff

## The Logistics

- Collaboration with banks
- Organized trainings
- Go-live August 20<sup>th</sup>!!



### Return of Investment (Benefit to the Community)

- International Funds Transfer (IFT) payments
- Extra security
- Being cashless...



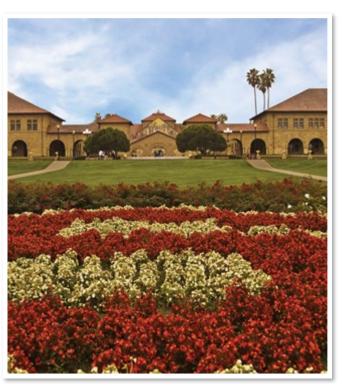
#### **Outreach & Communication**

- Email
- Website
- Stanford ePay
- Student "To-Do"
- Campus Meetings
- New Student Orientation



# **Department Depositors**

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#### **Department Deposits**

- Cashnet.com
- Direct bank deposits
- University bill additions
- Course Fee module



#### **University Bill**

Payment Due Date: 10/15/2011

Jane Stanford

Student ID No: xxxxxxxxx Total Due: \$11,447.40 (USD)

Bill No: STANF0002113698A
Bill Date: 09/20/2011

#### Messages

Paying online via Stanford ePay is the fastest, most convenient and secure way to pay. Using Stanford ePay is free of service charges, and online payments are accepted 24/7 via all U.S. bank accounts.

Direct Deposit is the fastest, most convenient and secure way to receive funds from the University. Students should enroll in Direct Deposit via the Student Center (Finances section drop down menu) in Axess.

Payments not received by the due date are subject to a 1% late fee.

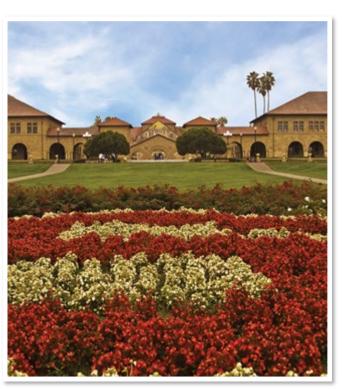
Term Summary						
Term	Charges	Payments/Other	Financial Aid	Refunds	Amount Due	
2011-2012 Autumn	\$13,075.00	-\$1,628.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,447.00	
2010-2011 Spring	\$12,188.10	-\$12,187.70	-\$91.00	\$91.00	\$0.40	

Refunds Pending: \$0.00

Anticipated Aid			
Term	Description		Amount
			\$0.00
		Total Anticipated Aid:	\$0.00

The Result

HOW DID IT ALL TURN OUT?



#### Initial Response

- Student payments
  - > First year = 60% reduction
  - Today = 90 cash payments (via bank deposit)
- Department Deposits
  - > Password frustration
    - Collaboration with Controller's Office
      - Messaging to staff
    - Single sign-on (2016)
- Do not touch cash at all!



#### Things to Consider

- Technology and payment receivable evolvement = skill set of the staff evolvement
  - Ongoing training
  - > Transaction focused to validating systems
- Bank location



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