

## THE UNITED STATES SPORTS ACADEMY USES EMPOWER TO MANAGE ROLLING ENROLLMENT



### CHALLENGE:

With students and faculty all over the world, the United States Sports Academy (The Academy) uses EMPOWER to help manage the many unique challenges created by distance learning in a rolling registration environment. Students can begin study at any time without waiting for a specific school-established start date. The Academy was looking for a new SIS system and considered 14 vendors before choosing EMPOWER.

### SOLUTION:

EMPOWER allows The Academy to deliver courses online in an asynchronous environment where the professor and student do not have to be in simultaneous contact for learning to take place or assignments to be completed. EMPOWER helps The Academy manage many complex factors from rolling enrollment, facilitating faculty assignments and tracking course materials in addition to managing all of its student data.

### THE EMPOWER DIFFERENCE:

According to Executive Director of Administration and Technology for Student Services Greg Rosandich, “EMPOWER’s interface with Moodle has greatly enhanced the accuracy and quality of automating the setting up of courses for students.” EMPOWER is used to track each student’s course work and schedule. The faculty uses the EMPOWER Student (Web) Portal to enter grades.

Possibly the biggest benefit they have seen from using EMPOWER has been the ability to create accurate reports. To properly manage the distance learning process in a rolling environment, a powerful administrative “back end” is needed.

The Academy’s management relies heavily on numerous reports generated from the EMPOWER SIS and these are shared with the Faculty, Student Services and Institutional Effectiveness Committee. EMPOWER is also the source of data for reports to Federal agencies such as the NCES (IPEDS), State Educational Agencies and The Academy’s regional accreditor. Rosandich credits EMPOWER with assisting The Academy to create the best possible learning environment for its students. “According to our surveys, most of our students have expressed that they have learned more with our delivery system than during their classroom experience with other schools—and EMPOWER has helped to facilitate this.”

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