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EA Practice at a Glance	
Year formed	2013-2018 (In hiatus?)
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EA team is located in	Central IT
Roles on EA team	Business, Application, Technology, and Data Domain Architects
Narrative	In response to a consultant recommendation an Enterprise Architect was hired in early 2013. The EA attempted to build out the practice with collaboration with "other duties as assigned" application, technology, and business domain architects. An Enterprise Data Architect was hired in 2015. There were challenges getting organizational buy-in and direction associated with the practice. The Enterprise Architect left the university in August 2018 and the Enterprise Data Architect left the university in February 2019.
Maturity	1

What is your name and title?

Dana P. Miller: Business Analyst

How did your architecture practice get started?

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What is the focus of your practice – e.g., enterprise, business, technical, solution, data architecture?

Dana P. Miller, Business Analyst is currently in the role of Business Domain Architect and has incorporated the CAUDIT Higher Education Business Reference Model into the ITSM tool, TeamDynamix which can then be used for more informed strategic portfolio discussions with the business.

How big is your practice and where is it located in the organization?

The current business domain architecture practice is located within the portfolio management team of the Solution Delivery department of the central IT organization called IT Services.

What is your practice model for working with related teams – e.g., federated architecture practice?

We have no federated architecture practice but there is potential.

How would you describe the maturity of your architecture practice in terms of:

- See the [Higher Education Enterprise Architecture Maturity Model](#) for more about:
 - Scope definition-1
 - Engagement-1

- Impact assessment-1
- Delivery-1
- Management-1

What are major trends you see in your practice and your enterprise?

Getting better alignment of work flowing to delivery teams. Translating strategy into portfolio decisions.

How does your team manage its work internally and on projects?

Finding time between project portfolio work and building out the business architecture models and validating with the business.

What are your major challenges?

A new CIO came on board in early December 2019 and a new path forward regarding architecture has not been determined.

What projects have been your major focus lately?

Adding business capabilities to all application/software assets and building a maintenance process.