



IT Governance

Banner Bank acknowledges the importance of effectively managing business technology changes in operations and infrastructure. These changes can be disruptive to the business and present capital and operational risk. Strong Information Technology (IT) governance is fundamental to a standard systems approach to design, development, and ongoing optimization for all lines of technology processes.

IT governance is an integral part of the Bank and helps to support Banner's goals and mitigate IT risks, delivering IT value and operational efficiency of the enterprise. IT governance drives strategic alignment between IT and the business. IT governance objectives include:

- Setting authority rights and accountability, as well as establishing policies that are aligned to business objectives
- Making balanced technology investments in accordance with policies and in support of business objectives to coherently realize strategy
- Establishing measures to monitor adherence to decisions and policies
- Mitigating risk by helping to ensure that processes, behaviors, and procedures are in accordance with Bank policies
- Providing staff with flexibility to use IT resources in compliance with Bank policies
- Enabling Enterprise Architecture (EA) to determine how the Bank can most effectively achieve its current and future objectives

The Bank's IT Department, in partnership with other business units, seeks to align all technology solutions with the Bank's IT strategic, tactical, and operational objectives, and to implement technology solutions in a cost-effective manner that also supports secure, sound IT systems and operations.