



The YDUQS Holding Group Deploys HID Mobile Access to Unify Its University Access Control

The YDUQS Holding Group is one of the largest higher education organizations in Brazil, with operations in more than 700 Brazilian cities and serving more than 700,000 students. Among its universities in Brazil, three are located in the northeast: UniFanor Wyden in Fortaleza (two campuses: Dunas and Bezerra de Menezes), Ibmec's University Brasilia and ÁREA1 university in Salvador.

CHALLENGE

The YDUQS Holding Group's legacy physical access control system at these four campuses was difficult to administer, and it did not integrate or communicate with systems and databases across its other universities. This limited their ability to manage building security and access for students, faculty and staff.

These challenges made it impossible to gain insight into who entered and exited its campus buildings. As a result, the previous security system was ineffective in preventing the frequent theft of university computers and laboratory equipment by people not authorized to be on campus or in certain areas.

"We needed a security system to control who enters our campuses, and the ability to know who was on our campuses and where they were at all times," said Erick Moraes Dantas, operations manager at University Center UniFanor in Fortaleza



SOLUTION

The YDUQS Holding Group partnered with HID Global and local integrator Imagem Segurança to develop a unified and streamlined access control system that integrated with the universities' existing infrastructure, increased overall security and provided students, faculty and staff with a convenient way to access campus buildings.

The iControlSmart software from Imagem Segurança was chosen as the foundation for the new access control system and unifying the various databases across all the universities.

The YDUQS Holding Group installed HID Global readers at entrances and turnstiles at the three universities. HID Mobile Access®, powered by Seos® credential technology, was selected to issue more than 200 Mobile IDs to faculty and staff, which enabled them to access university campus buildings and parking lots using their iOS® or Android® smart phones. HID Mobile IDs are issued over the air to a mobile app on the user's phone, and they seamlessly integrate with the iControlSmart platform. Additionally, the iControl platform is used to issue 34,000 high-frequency smart cards to students.

RESULTS

The new access control system is fully deployed across the YDUQS Holding Group's campuses, where administrators issue and manage student and staff credentials from a centralized platform. The system manages 40,000 access transactions a day, providing efficient access to campus classrooms and facilities, and significantly reducing system downtimes.

"Gone are the past complaints about the system or turnstiles not working. Thanks to our new access control system, students and staff no longer have long wait times to enter the building because of an outdated system. Also, the new campus access control solution is easy for our team to manage," said Dantas.

One of the universities also noted significant monthly cost savings resulting from deploying HID readers.

The new system allows the YDUQS Holding Group to locally manage the database of students and faculty across all campuses at UniFanor Wyden, Ibmecc's University Brasília and ÁREA1 university. Additionally, the new access control solution will allow administrators to onboard more YDUQS campuses across the country without duplicating registration, which was not possible with the old system.

Due to the success of the project, the YDUQS Holding Group is moving forward with rolling out the new access control system at an additional 20 campuses and locations, with a goal of completing the deployments by the end of 2021.



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Solutions:

- HID Mobile Access
- HID Global iCLASS SE® R10 readers integrated with iControlSmart software



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