



How to Simplify Lawson with Intellias Applications

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Summary

Lawson is a very robust Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, but it's also very complicated. Users require extensive training for even the simplest tasks, and as a result, companies face higher costs in terms of hiring and training more staff or increasing overtime budgets. Lawson tasks are time- and labor-intensive, often requiring days or even weeks to complete, which takes experienced staff away from other priorities. Extensive data input in Lawson means that critical data entry errors often result.

Intellias Applications simplify many Lawson tasks, including those in human resources, payroll, benefits, procurement, accounts payable and accounts receivable. The applications reside on the Lawson web server and work seamlessly with Lawson. Simple and easy to use, Intellias Applications reduce your operational costs, require no specialized training, ensure greater data accuracy, and accelerate your operations.

How to Simplify Lawson with Intellias Applications

The Challenge:

Lawson is a very robust Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, but unfortunately it is also very complicated. Most users get bogged down in Lawson operations and quickly discover the challenges of using it on a daily basis.

- *Users require extensive training:* Because each Lawson form is complex and includes numerous tabs, lengthy training is required before users can complete even simple Lawson tasks, such as adding vendors, customers, invoices, employee records, payroll time records, employee deductions, benefits, requisitions, purchase orders and expenses. But because proper training means a costly investment of time and money, many companies do not or cannot afford to adequately train their people.
- *Higher costs to hire more staff or increase overtime budgets:* Human resource, payroll, benefits, procurement, accounts payable and accounts receivable departments often have to increase staff to operate Lawson software. If a company can't or won't hire more staff, the only other option is often to increase the overtime budget for existing staff.
- *Data entry errors are common:* The complex Lawson forms require extensive data input, and critical and costly data entry errors are all but inevitable. For example, when a new employee is added, data must be input on at least seven different Lawson forms, which increases the likelihood of data errors. Correcting errors can be costly and time consuming.
- *Staff time is used inefficiently:* Lawson tasks are time- and labor-intensive. For example, adding time records requires opening a unique form for each and every employee in the company. If a company has 1,000 employees, the user must open 1,000 unique forms to add those times records. Adding a project or contract means adding records to 11 different forms and then maintaining that data in multiple screens. Likewise, adding and managing requisitions and purchase orders requires user input on five different forms.

The Solution: Intellias Applications

Intellias Applications simplify Lawson tasks by reducing data entry time, reducing data errors, and allowing your employees to do their jobs without any Lawson training. As a result, you achieve greater data accuracy, reduced costs and increased employee productivity.

The Benefits of Intellias Applications

- **Reduce operational costs.** Regardless of your industry, Intellias solutions will save you time and money on your Lawson tasks. Every one of our clients has reduced its operational costs, and in fact, one client saved more than \$1 million a year.
- **Eliminate the need for costly training.** Anyone can run Intellias Applications with little or no Lawson training.
- **Reduce data entry errors.** Intellias Applications embed all your business rules to ensure your users enter data correctly.
- **Accelerate your operations.** Intellias Applications combine Lawson forms into one interface so you don't have to transfer data and tab to each form and section of Lawson. Furthermore, Intellias Applications display only the fields required for your business.
- **Ensure integrity of Lawson data.** Intellias Applications utilize Lawson's web APIs and the Intellias Web APIs to ensure the integrity of Lawson data.
- **Save time with rapid application development and deployment.** Because Intellias has its own development toolkit, applications can be developed and deployed in days, not weeks.

How Intellias Applications Simplify Lawson

- Run Lawson applications from one simple interface.

Intellias Applications use AJAX technologies along with our proprietary toolkit to consolidate, simplify and expand Lawson functionality into one simple, self-evident user interface. (See Figure 1 below.)

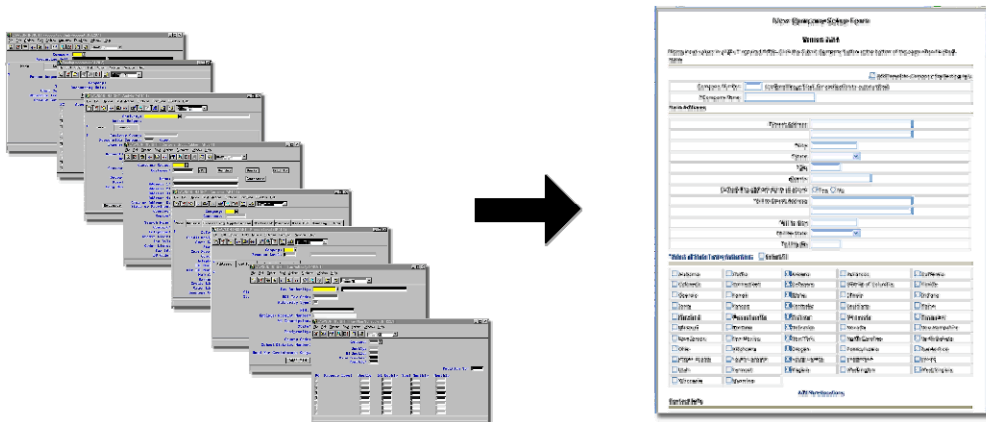


Figure 1

➤ **Expand your data entry rows.**

Most Lawson forms are severely limited with only 5 to 10 data entry rows. Intellias Applications remove that restriction and expand Lawson forms, giving you unlimited number of rows for data entry and display. (See Figure 2.)

The screenshot shows the Lawson Speed Requisition Entry interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with buttons: Add, Change, Delete, Inquire, Next, Previous, Release, Print, and Add Rows. Below this, the form header includes fields for Requestor (437), Requisition Number (31), Unreleased status, and Requesting Location (CFO). A sidebar on the left contains navigation links: Home, My Shortcuts, Manage Shortcuts, Speed Requisition Entry, Requisition Approval, Data Viewer, PO Worksheet, and Speed Purchase Order Entry. The main area is a table with the following columns: Item, Description, Quantity, UOM, Cost, Account Unit, Account, Activity, Category, Item Type, Service Code, Vendor, and a trash icon. The table contains 15 rows of data, with the first five rows populated with specific items and the remaining ten rows being empty templates for data entry.

Item	Description	Quantity	UOM	Cost	Account Unit	Account	Activity	Category	Item Type	Service Code	Vendor	
ATSR200	200 AMP TRANSFER	100	EA	764.8900	4400	129999			I			
ATSSHM-3	PATCH PANEL BRAR	200	EA	764.8900	4400	129999			I			
ATSSB-PNL-24	24-PORT PATCH PA	30	EA	764.8900	4400	129999			I			
ATSSHM-1	PATCH PANEL BRAR	20	EA	764.8900	4400	129999			I			
ATSSB-PLN-12	12-PORT PATCH PA	20	EA	764.8900	4400	129999			I			

Figure 2

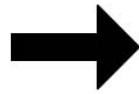
➤ **Simplify your data entry.**

Enter and view all data in one user interface. Many Lawson forms (e.g., the PR35.1 Time Record Entry, PR14.1 Employee Deductions, and TA70.1 Time Accrual) force you to enter records at the employee level, which requires a new Lawson form for each employee.

Figure 3a demonstrates the multiple Lawson forms that are required to enter time records for an entire department. Figure 3b shows the Intellias Application, which allows you to consolidate the payroll process by entering payroll information by department, process level or company.



Figure 3a



Time Record Entry

Company Name: 2100-Intellias Co Period End Date: 11/05/2005 Pay Plan: S144

Number	Name	Pay Class	Reg Hrs	Salary Hrs	OT Hrs	Holiday Hrs	Sick Hrs	Vacation Hrs	Bonus
1001	Hob01001, mroastal	S	80.00						
1002	Bueh1002, default	S	80.00						
1003	Glodder1003, default	S	80.00						
1004	Knocken1004, partal	H	80.00						
1005	Draen1005, none	S	80.00						
1006	Buehert1006, partal	S	80.00						
1007	Fankert1007, none	S	80.00						
1008	Nobis, Hestl	S	72			8			
1009	Kerry_B, John	S	80						
1010	Kerry_B, John	S	72			8			
1011	Kerry_B, John	S	80						
1012	Kerry_B, John	S	72			8			
1013	Kerry_B, John	S	80						
1014	Kerry_B, John	S	72			8			
1015	Kerry_B, Wallace, John	S	80						
1016	Sacke_B, Norbert	S	72			8			
1017	test, test	S	80						

Calculate Totals Select New Pay Period Add Deleted Time Delete All Total Rate Total Hours

Figure 3b

➤ **Simplify your Lawson tasks.**

Intellias has developed a wide range of applications that will simplify the following Lawson tasks:

- Company Setup
- Company Maintenance
- Process Level Setup
- Process Level Maintenance
- Employee Setup
- Employee Maintenance
- Customer Setup
- Customer Maintenance
- Billing Revenue Setup
- Billing Revenue Maintenance
- Benefit Setup
- Benefit Maintenance
- Time Accrual Setup
- Time Accrual Maintenance
- Speed Time Entry
- Speed Deduction Entry
- Speed Time Accrual Entry
- Speed Procurement
- Manual Check Entry
- Adjustment Entry
- Time and Attendance
- Benefit Enrollment
- Applicant New Hire
- New Hire Enrollment
- Worker Comp. Setup
- EEO Setup
- Tips Setup
- Invoice Automation
- Payroll Automation
- AP Automation
- AP Void Automation
- Void Payroll Automation
- Company Conversion

Key Features of Intellias Applications

1. Reside on the Lawson web server and work seamlessly with Lawson.
2. Consolidate Lawson functions to run from one simple user interface.
3. Expand Lawson forms and allow you to have an unlimited number of data entry rows.
4. Simplify data entry by allowing you to enter data at the company, process, or department level.
5. Eliminate the need to know Lawson line function code logic. Intellias has removed the Lawson form function codes and has embedded the function code logic into the Intellias Application.
6. Eliminates or reduces staff training.
7. Creates greater efficiencies in your Lawson processes.

About Intellias Inc.

Since its founding in 1999, Intellias Inc. has had one goal: to simplify Lawson software.

We have successfully met that goal by combining Lawson forms and jobs into simple user interfaces using the latest technologies, including AJAX, intellias servlets and our proprietary development toolkit.

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We look forward to simplifying your Lawson!