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System Requirements Specification

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1. Introduction

This capstone project serves as a step forward and a transition from the University of Maine's physical storage of Programs of Study (POS) documents, to the digital storage of these documents. This capstone project serves as a partial fulfilment of the Computer Science Bachelor of Science degree for the University of Maine. All parties involved with this capstone project benefit from its development and completion, those parties being: *Integral Solutions*, a capstone group of five University of Maine undergraduate seniors who are the facilitators of this project, our client Professor Harlan Onsrud, the School of Computing and Information Science (SCIS) graduate faculty mentors, our instructor Doctor Terry Yoo, the Programs of Study department at the University of Maine, and the University of Maine as a whole.

1.1 Purpose of This Document

The purpose of this document is twofold. This document serves as a contract between ourselves, *Integral Solutions*, and our client, Doctor Harlan Onsrud. Additionally, this document outlines the requirement specifications of our product, whose temporary name at the moment is Project Graduate Modernization (PGM). Due to this project intending to be largely a "proof of concept" for the idea, the intended readership should be for both our client and for the high-ranking academic staff at the University of Maine, with the former being prioritized to ensure absolute clarity for agility's sake.

Within this document we discuss the need that this product fulfills and the plan to accomplish it, such as through: our requirements sections where the aspects of the system are carefully outlined in order for the system to function properly; specifications of the user interface where we demonstrate at a high level what the system is going to look like and requirements to be inferred from it; as well as the logistical overhead associated with the partnership between ourselves and our client, that being what will be delivered, expectations, and signatures recognizing that this document has been accepted by all involved parties.

1.2. References

• "UMaine Graduate Student Program of Study Creation and Approval System" Proposal

o Author: Doctor Harlan Onsrud

o Date: September 2021

1.3. Purpose of the Product

The original proposal for this document outlined the need for a digital system to be created due to the large swathe of physical documents which are housed for the various graduate departments at the University of Maine. Specifically, the POS that graduate students use to dictate their graduate careers are cumbersome in both maintaining and updating. Professor Onsrud outlined the idea that POS's will sometimes get lost and that

a number of signatures from advisors are required with every minute change that occurs with a given POS. While physical documents may be fine for a smaller number of students, at larger scales such as the one that the SCIS graduate programs are currently experiencing, it becomes unruly and a new solution is needed.

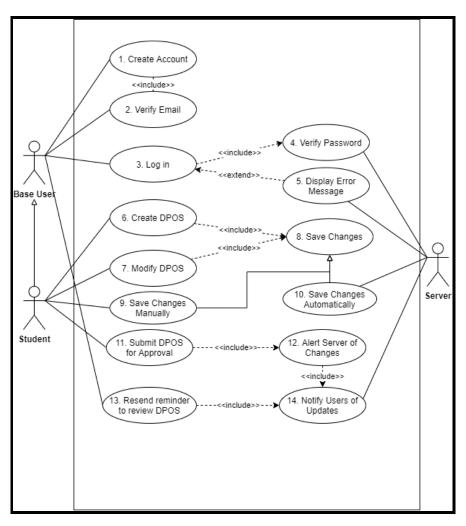
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The goal of this project is to completely digitalize future POS's and remove the difficulty associated with the logistics of having physical copies, such as the ones outlined above. The system will house a given student's current POS, as well as provide avenues for students and advisors alike to make changes to a POS. Signatures needed will be replaced with electronic signatures and greatly reduce the labor and overhead associated with both significant and insignificant changes alike. Through housing a student's current POS and having a centralized digital hub for students to access their POS, pressure will be taken off of both students and professors alike. This should serve as a proof-of-concept for the University of Maine to take the proposal seriously and integrate our system into Mainestreet as a whole.

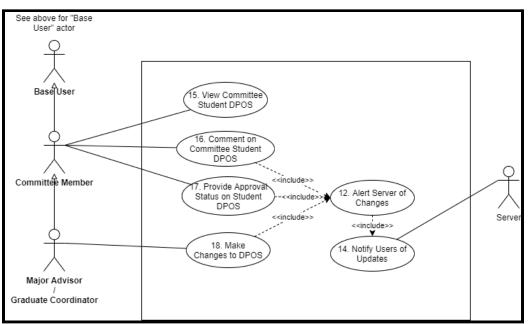
1.4. Product Scope

The next page (page 5) gives a visual representation of the project's scope. It details a limited number of actors and does not include moderators or administrators of the project. In another document, an updated variation of this Unified Modeling Language (UML) model will give information about such actors. The baseline of the project itself though will only include a high level view with actors that will experience this project on a "day-to-day" basis. Said "day-to-day" basis modeled below includes the process of creating an account, a student's POS experience, and a student's advisory committee experience interacting with their advisee's Draft POS (DPOS).





Account Creation and POS Management Diagram



Advisory Committee Actions Diagram



2. Functional Requirements

As outlined in section 1.4, there are a number of use cases relevant to the proposed system. In this section: Showcase the requirements that these use cases will satisfy and list the tests that will be performed to ensure that all functional requirements of the system have been met. In Appendix D, we will demonstrate all of the use cases and break them down with a template that has been adapted from Alistair Cockburn (as seen below). This is done to mitigate the "fluff" that becomes present with the addition of the use cases below.

Number	< use	< use case number >	
Name	< use	case name - a short active verb phrase >	
Summary	< a br	ief summary of the use case >	
Priority	< how	critical this use case is to the customer (1 to 5, 5 being most critical >	
Preconditions	< cond	ditions that must be true before the use case trigger >	
Postconditions	< cond	< conditions that will be true after the use case completes >	
Primary Actor	< a ro	le name for the primary actor >	
Secondary Actors	< other systems that are relied upon to accomplish the use case >		
Trigger	< the action that starts the use case >		
Main Scenario	Step	Action	
	1	< steps of the use case from trigger to goal delivery >	
	2	<>	
	3	<>	
Extensions	Step	Branching Action	
	1a	< condition causing branching >:	
		< action or name of sub use case >	
Open Issues	< list of	of issues awaiting decisions that affect the use case >	

2.1 Requirements

2.1.1 Website Navigation Requirements

- 1. The system shall have a navigation bar at the top of the screen.
- 2. The system shall contain several dropdowns in the navigation bar of areas a user would need to access for full site functionality.
- 3. The system shall have a "back-to-previous page" button in the navigation bar.
- 4. The system should contain a navigation panel.
- 5. The system should have a "?" help button in the navigation bar.

2.1.2 Account Management Requirements

- 1. The system shall allow users to log in with a specified email and password combination.
- 2. The system shall allow users to create accounts with a specified email and password combination.
- 3. The system should allow users to enter additional information.
- 4. The system should assist users based on the additional information they have entered.



- 5. The system shall allow the user to submit an account creation form upon filling out the required account creation information.
- 6. The system shall verify that the email used is in the "University of Maine System" (UMS) email domain.
- 7. The system shall notify the user that their email will not be accepted if it is not in the UMS email domain.
- 8. The system shall notify the user if the email they have entered does not follow a proper email format.
- 9. The system shall not accept the account creation submission if the user does not enter a valid UMS email address.
- 10. The system shall return a message if the account creation submission is not accepted.
- 11. The system shall clarify the reason why an account creation submission was not accepted on a case-by-case basis.
- 12. The system shall send the user an email to their specified email address if the account creation submission was accepted.
- 13. The system shall store an inactive account with the user's information upon receiving a valid account creation submission.
- 14. The system shall set the status of an inactive account to active upon the associated user clicking on a link within a system-sent email to verify their account.
- 15. The system should remove accounts that have an inactive status after a period of 7 days.
- 16. The system should have an account management feature for administrators to remove/modify user accounts.
- 17. The system should have an account management feature for administrators to swap a user's account from inactive to active.
- 18. The system should have a log of account management actions taken by administrators.
- 19. The system should have a button to allow an administrator to undo the most recent account manipulation action taken.
- 20. The system shall include an account recovery button.
- 21. The system's account recovery form shall include an email field.
- 22. The system shall provide a submission button for the user to send an account recovery email.
- 23. The system shall only send an account recovery email if the email exists within the database.
- 24. The system shall inform the user that an email has been sent, regardless of whether the email is in the database.
- 25. The system shall not allow the user to sign up with an email that already exists in the database.
- 26. The system should inform the user that an email has been sent, regardless of whether the email exists in the database.
- 27. If a user attempts to sign up with an email that is already in use, the system should notify the email address owner of the attempt via email.



2.1.3 DPOS Form Submission Requirements

- 1. The system shall let students with accounts create DPOS's.
- 2. The system shall not let a student create multiple DPOS's for the same field of study.
- 3. The system shall allow the user to fill out a digital form for a DPOS.
- 4. The system shall have a dropdown that includes each type of DPOS.
- 5. The system shall adjust the input fields within a DPOS form based on the dropdown option selected.
- 6. The system should provide a link to the catalog of courses for students to reference
- 7. The system shall allow a user to electronically sign their DPOS for review via typing their name.
- 8. The system shall allow a user to submit their DPOS form for review.
- 9. The system shall save the progress of the form every 30 seconds.
- 10. The system shall also include a button that manually lets a user save their form changes.
- 11. The system shall let students with accounts adjust their DPOS forms they have not yet submitted for approval.
- 12. The system shall send the user a confirmation email after submitting their DPOS for approval.
- 13. The system shall update the user's DPOS for the given Field of Study when their form is submitted.
- 14. The system shall immediately notify a student's advisory committee that the student's DPOS has been submitted for review.
- 15. If members of a student's advisory committee do not exist within the database, the system shall allow a user to have those advisors receive email notifications.
- 16. The system shall allow the user to indicate their "primary" advisor via a selection of registered SCIS graduate advisors.
- 17. The system shall allow advisory committee members to comment on a submitted DPOS.
- 18. The system should default to a committee member giving their approval if the respective committee member does not comment or post a status within 2 weeks.
- 19. The system shall allow advisory committee members of a given student to request revisions for that student's DPOS.
- 20. The system shall allow the graduate coordinator to request revisions for a student's DPOS.
- 21. The system shall allow an advisor to give their approval status (includes rejections and revision requests) of a DPOS that has a review requested.
- 22. The system shall allow for an advisor to electronically sign off on their approval status of a DPOS.
- 23. The system shall allow for the graduate coordinator to electronically sign off on their approval status of a DPOS.
- 24. The system shall notify the student user of their advisor's approval status.
- 25. The system shall allow a user to adjust their DPOS if it was not approved.
- 26. The system shall allow a user to re-request review of a DPOS that was not approved.



- 27. The system shall flag a DPOS as an Approved POS (APOS) when all necessary parties have signed off.
- 28. The system shall create a PDF document when a DPOS becomes an APOS.
- 29. The system shall email the PDF document to Harlan Onsrud when a DPOS becomes an APOS.
- 30. The system should allow for the graduate coordinator to download programs of study.
- 31. The system shall add the PDF of the user's APOS to that respective user's database entry when their DPOS becomes an APOS.
- 32. The system shall store relevant identifying information of an APOS, such as date of approval and version number, when entering the form data into the user's database entry.
- 33. The system shall allow a student to create a new DPOS to make changes to from a previous APOS.

2.1.4 Changes to APOS

- 1. The system shall highlight courses that a student has changed that have not yet received approval.
- 2. The system shall create a DPOS when a student has made a change to a given APOS that the student has on record.
- 3. The system shall remove highlights from courses when it receives advisory committee and graduate coordinator approval.
- 4. The system shall remove flags on a DPOS when it receives advisory committee and graduate coordinator approval.
- 5. The system shall include a button that manually lets a user save their POS form changes.
- 6. The system shall automatically save form changes every 30 seconds.

2.1.5 Communication Requirements

- 1. The system should give students a button to "remind" their advisors of necessary action relevant to the student's DPOS.
- 2. The system should automatically inform the users of important upcoming deadlines within 2 weeks of said deadlines.
- 3. The system shall keep emails to a 50 word limit.
- 4. The system shall include pertinent information only (Student name, subject of POS, relevant deadlines, accreditation level) when sending emails.
- 5. The system should allow users to opt-out of emails.

2.1.6 Database Management Requirements

- 1. The system shall always store the most up to date POS that a student has requested changes on.
- 2. The system shall always store the most recent DPOS's for each field of study the user has a POS for.
- 3. The system shall contain all APOS's associated with each student.
- 4. The system should contain an up-to-date list of the SCIS graduate advisors.



2.1.7 Other Functional Requirements

1. The system shall be accessible from Google Chrome.

2.2 Test Cases

Per a discussion with Professor Terry Yoo, the test cases outlined are **generalized**. It is the intent of integral solutions to create a functioning system that both works as a standalone product and as a proof of concept. To ensure we manage to create this system, and in line with the requirements of the class itself, we are following through with the generalization of test cases. This does mean that they will not be entirely exhaustive, however, they serve as a guide for which to ensure the system works sufficiently.

The test case section will be broken down into the use cases shown in section 1.4.

2.2.1 Create Account

- 1. Attempt to put in all "valid" student information. (Valid email, valid password)
- 2. Attempt to put in all "valid" employee information. (Valid email, password, ID)
- 3. Attempt to put in invalid email. (Non-UMS email)
- 4. Attempt to put in a valid email and password with invalid employee ID number. (valid email, valid password, invalid employee ID)
- 5. Attempt to put in a valid email with student information but an invalid password (valid email, invalid password)
- 6. Attempt to put in a valid email with employee information but invalid password (valid email, valid ID, invalid password)

2.2.2 Verify Email

- 1. Attempt to use a "valid" email address within 7 days. (Email address in database)
- 2. Attempt to use an invalid email address within 7 days. (Email address not in database)
- 3. Attempt to use a valid email address after 7 days.
- 4. Attempt to use an invalid email address after 7 days.

2.2.3 Log In

- 1. Attempt to log in with an invalid password and a valid email address.
- 2. Attempt to log in with a valid password and an invalid email address.
- 3. Attempt to log in with a valid password and valid email address.

2.2.4 Verify Password

1. Test cases here are analog to Use Case "Log In"

2.2.5 Display Error Message

1. Pass a -1 value to the "Display Error Message" function with an attempt to log in with an invalid password and a valid email address.



2. Pass a -1 value to the "Display Error Message" function with an attempt to log in with a valid password and an invalid email address.

2.2.6 Create DPOS

- 1. The user selects "Graduate Certificate" and fills out the form to completion.
- 2. The user selects "Master's Degree" and fills out the form to completion.
- 3. The user selects "PhD Degree" and fills out the form to completion.
- 4. The user selects "Graduate Certificate" and does not fill out the form to completion.
- 5. The user selects "Master's Degree" and does not fill out the form to completion.
- 6. The user selects "PhD Degree" and does not fill out the form to completion.
- 7. The user attempts to create a DPOS when they currently have no DPOS.
- 8. The user attempts to create a DPOS when they have between 1 and 4 DPOS's on file.
- 9. The user attempts to create a DPOS when they have 5 DPOS's on file.

2.2.7 Modify DPOS

- 1. The user does not make changes to the form.
- 2. The user does make changes to the form.
- 3. The user makes changes to the form but does not manually save them.
- 4. The user makes changes to the form and does manually save them.
- 5. The user attempts to select "modify DPOS" when they have no DPOS on file.
- 6. The user attempts to modify a DPOS when they have a DPOS on file.
- 7. The user attempts to modify a DPOS when they have multiple DPOS's on file.

2.2.8 Save Changes

- 1. Trigger the use cases that are children of this use case.

 This interacts with the server and the database, so the children of this use case include the test cases present here. Storage of a DPOS in the database, specifically, are included in the save changes stuff below.
- 2. The DPOS form being saved to the database has information stored within it, but the storage is unsuccessful.
- 3. The DPOS form being saved to the database has information stored within it, but the storage is successful.

2.2.9 Save Changes Manually

- 1. The user clicks on the "Save Changes" button on a form with an empty DPOS that has not been previously saved.
- 2. The user clicks on the "Save Changes" button on a form with a filled DPOS that has not been previously saved.
- 3. The user clicks on the "Save Changes" button on a form with a partially-filled DPOS that has not been previously saved.
- 4. The user clicks on the "Save Changes" button on a form with an empty DPOS that has been previously saved.
- 5. The user clicks on the "Save Changes" button on a form with a filled DPOS that has been previously saved.



6. The user clicks on the "Save Changes" button on a form with a partially-filled DPOS that has been previously saved.

2.2.10 Save Changes Automatically

- 1. A 30-second, looping timer triggers on a form with an empty DPOS that has not been previously saved.
- 2. A 30-second, looping timer triggers on a form with a filled DPOS that has not been previously saved.
- 3. A 30-second, looping timer triggers on a form with a partially-filled DPOS that has not been previously saved.
- 4. A 30-second, looping timer triggers on a form with an empty DPOS that has been previously saved.
- 5. A 30-second, looping timer triggers on a form with a filled DPOS that has been previously saved.
- 6. A 30-second, looping timer triggers on a form with a partially-filled DPOS that has been previously saved.

2.2.11 Submit DPOS for Approval

- 1. The user attempts to submit a DPOS that has not been completely filled out.
- 2. The user attempts to submit a DPOS that has been filled out completely.
- 3. The user clicks outside of the prompt area that asks if they are sure they want to submit their DPOS for approval.
- 4. The user clicks "Yes, submit" on a form that is completely filled out.
- 5. The user clicks on "No" on a form that is completely filled out.

2.2.12 Alert Server of Changes

1. Trigger the use cases that require this use case.

This has no direct interaction with the user, so it should only trigger off the other use cases triggering. It sends a response to the server, so it should interact with the server in that regard. As long as the server receives notice of the alert, this use case is satisfied.

2.2.13 Resend Reminder to review DPOS

- 1. A user manually submits a reminder for members of their advisory committee to provide comments/feedback on their DPOS.
- 2. Advisory members have not reviewed the DPOS within a 2 week period.

2.2.14 Notify Users of Updates

- 1. The server sends out a reminder for all advisory members to review the DPOS.
- 2. The server sends out a reminder for specific advisory members to review the DPOS.

2.2.15 Join Student Committee

- 1. A committee member accepts an invitation to join a student's committee.
- 2. A committee member declines an invitation to join a student's committee.
- 3. An advisor accepts an invitation to join a student's committee.
- 4. An advisor declines an invitation to join a student's committee.



2.2.16 View Committee Student DPOS

- 1. An advisor attempts to view a committee student's DPOS.
- 2. A committee member attempts to view a committee student's DPOS.
- 3. A graduate coordinator attempts to view a committee student's DPOS.

2.2.17 Comment on Committee Student DPOS

- 1. An advisor attempts to provide a comment on a committee student's DPOS with a text field that is left blank.
- 2. An advisor attempts to provide a comment on a committee student's DPOS with a text field that is filled out.
- 3. A committee member attempts to comment on a committee student's DPOS with a text field that is left blank.
- 4. A committee member attempts to comment on a committee student's DPOS with a text field that is filled out.
- 5. A graduate coordinator attempts to comment on a committee student's DPOS with a text field that is left blank.
- 6. A graduate coordinator attempts to comment on a committee student's DPOS with a text field that is filled out.

2.2.18 Provide Approval Status on Student DPOS

- 1. A major advisor attempts to provide their approval status on a committee student's DPOS.
- 2. A committee member attempts to provide their approval status on a committee student's DPOS.
- 3. A graduate coordinator attempts to provide their approval status on a committee student's DPOS.

2.2.19 Make Changes to DPOS

- 1. A major advisor attempts to make changes on a change form that has no changes in it.
- 2. A major advisor attempts to make changes on a change form that has changes in it
- 3. A graduate coordinator attempts to request changes on a change form that has no changes in it.
- 4. A graduate coordinator attempts to request changes on a change form that has changes in it.

3. Non-Functional Requirements

Listed below are the non-functional requirements (NFRs) associated with the project as a whole. Test cases associated with each requirement are listed below, along with the respective ID # that the test case addresses. Some requirements will have more than one test case, while others may be lumped together in a single, larger test case.



ID#	NFR Description	Priority
1	The system shall abide by all FERPA requirements.	3
2	The system shall abide by any addendums that the University has made to its specific FERPA requirements.	3
3	The system database shall be hosted from a University of Maine owned computer.	1
4	The system shall handle up to 1,000 asynchronous users.	4
5	The system shall handle up to 100 concurrent users.	4
6	System response times must not exceed 8 seconds (real time).	2
7	Modified data in the database shall be updated for all users accessing it within 1 minute (real time).	3
8	The system shall notify student users of approved proposals within 1 minute of approval.	3
9	The system shall verify user passwords within 8 seconds of the login attempt.	3
10	The server shall automatically save modified data within 1 minute of any changes made.	3
11	The system database shall be copied to a backup database every hour.	3
12	The system database shall be protected from power surges.	3
13	The system database shall be stored in a room secured from unauthorized access at the University of Maine.	3

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3.1.1. NFR #1

i. System review will take place to ensure this is followed through and unauthorized access is not permitted.

3.1.2. NFR #2

i. Analog to NFR #1.

3.1.3. NFR #3

i. System review will take place of our physical server location and shall be ensured that it is on a University of Maine owned device.



3.1.4. NFR #4

i. A testing tool that creates and populates 1000 accounts shall be utilized to test that the server is capable of handling this number of stored users.

3.1.5. NFR #5

i. A testing tool analogous to NFR #4 will be used to create batches of 99 accounts at a time in order to stress test the number of concurrent users the system can handle.

3.1.6. NFR #6

i. Testing tools will be utilized during the testing of NFR #4 and NFR #5 to ensure that even under high stress environments, the system maintains a low page response time.

3.1.7. NFR #7

i. Analog to NFR #6.

3.1.8. NFR #8

i. Analog to NFR #6.

3.1.9. NFR #9

i. Analog to NFR #6.

3.1.10. NFR #10

i. Analog to NFR #7.

3.1.11. NFR #11

i. Tools will be used to monitor and inspect a database backup that occurs every hour.

3.1.12. NFR #12

i. Largely analogous to NFR #3, proper inspection of physical equipment will be necessary to ensure proper protection of the server.

3.1.13. NFR #13

i. Analog to NFR #3.

4. User Interface

See the User Interface Design Document (UIDD) for Integral Solutions' website application after the required turn in date.



5. Deliverables

The following is a list of deliverable items which will be delivered to the customer by Integral Solutions. Included in the chart is the format of the document, expected completion date, and the means of delivery.

Item	Expected Completion Date	Format	Delivery means
SRS	October 10th 2021	Word Doc	Email / In Person
SDD	November 10 2021	Word Doc	Email / In Person
UIDD	November 29 2021	Word Doc	Email / In Person
User Manual	TBD	Word Doc	Email / In Person
Administrator Manual	TBD	Word Doc	Email / In Person
Final Software (FS)	TBD	TBD	Email / GitHub
- FS Source Code	TBD	TBD	Email / GitHub
- FS Website	TBD	TBD	Email / GitHub

6. Open Issues

The following is a list of all open issues which are being actively worked on by Integral Solutions. The chart below includes the issue name, expected completion date, and priority level (Low-Medium-High)

Issue	Expected Completion Date	Priority Level
Find University Owned Host Computer	November 29 2021	Medium
Pick Programming Language	November 22 2021	Medium
Pick Database System	November 22 2021	Medium
Aquire Email Account for Automated Messaging System	TBD	Medium
Get FERPA Approval	November 22 2021	Medium



Appendix A – Agreement Between Customer and Contractor

By signing this document, the customer and development team agree to the requirements listed above. Both parties will also agree to the defined function and scope of the project, as well as to all functional and non-functional requirements that the project must meet. Both parties will additionally agree to the contents of each promised deliverable stated above. The development team agrees to provide a software system that meets said requirements at a later date.

In the case of changes to the document, the customer will be informed of the changes via email. These changes would have to be approved by the customer before they are made. Meetings may be scheduled in order to discuss any proposed changes to the document. By signing this document, both parties agree to use said procedure in the event of changes to the document.

By signing below, the customer and development team agree to the above. Additionally, the customer may write any comments or concerns they may have in the space below.

Customer Comments:
Customer Signature:
Development Team Signatures:



Appendix B – Team Review Sign-off

By signing below, both parties confirm that they have reviewed the contents of this document. Additionally, both parties will confirm that they have agreed on the document's content and format.

Team Member Comments:		
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4		
5		
Customer Name:	Customer Sig	gnature:
Date of Signature:		
Team Names:	Team Signatures:	Date of Signatures:



Appendix C – Document Contributions

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Appendix D – Use Case Tables

Below are the use case tables referenced in Section 2. These are included here to keep the document itself from being flooded with these tables.

Number	1			
Name	Create Account			
Summary	Sumn	narizes creating user account which give database access to student		
ĭ	and staff			
Priority	4			
Preconditions	Valid	Valid @maine.edu email account,		
Postconditions	Valid	login account, ability to create/destroy/modify/submit POS. If the		
	account is owned by staff they may create/destroy/modify/approve/request			
	chang	es to POS.		
Primary Actor	Stude	nt and Staff		
Secondary Actors	Serve	r		
Trigger	Clicki	ng on create account link. The link may be represented in many		
	forms	button, link, ect.		
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	User navigates to website		
	2	User clicks create account		
	3	User enters @maine.edu email		
	4	User enters desired passcode		
	5	System displays creating account loading screen		
	6	System directs the user to the account home page.		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
	3a	Verify email is invalid		
		Return -1 / Loop back to step 3.		
	3b	Email is valid		
		Check to see if email is registered with staff member		
	3b.1	Email is not registered with staff member		
		Return 1/ Assign Student Key		
	3b.2	Email is registered with staff member		
		Ask user for employee ID number / Assign Staff Key - Can		
		be Graduate Coordinator, Major Advisor, or Committee		
	4	Member depending on email / Return 1		
	4a	Passcode invalid (Does not contain: 1 capital letter, 1 special		
		character, string length <8 characters.) Return -1		
	4b	Passcode valid (Contains: 1 capital letter, 1 special character, string		
	40	length >=8 characters)		
		Return 1		
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Number	2			
Name	Verify	Verify Email		
Summary	Serve	checks to make sure @maine.edu email is valid		
Priority	3			
Preconditions	Serve	must be set up		
Postconditions	User v	vill be able to create or access their account and use all website		
	function	onalities		
Primary Actor	Servei			
Secondary Actors	Student and Staff			
Trigger	Step 3 in log in, step 3 in create account			
Main Scenario	Step	Step Action		
	1	User attempts to log in or create an account		
	2	Email is sent to server as a query		
	3	Server searches database		
	4	Returns sentinel value to requesting interface		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
	3a	Server confirms email valid		
		Returns 1		
	3b	Server confirms email invalid		
		Returns -1 / Goes to next step		
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Number	3			
Name	Log in	Log in		
Summary	Serve	logs user into account and directs them to user homepage		
Priority	4			
Preconditions	User r	nust own account		
Postconditions	User v	vill be able to access website functionalities		
Primary Actor	Stude	nt and Staff		
Secondary Actors	Serve	Server		
Trigger	Studer	nts or Staff click login on the website UI.		
Main Scenario	Step	Step		
	1	User enters username and password		
	2	User clicks on login button		
	3	Server searches through database to verify email		
	4	Server searches through database to verify passcode		
	5	User is directed to their profile homescreen		
Extensions	Step			
	3a	Server confirms email valid		
		Returns 1		
	3b	Server confirms email invalid		
		Returns -1		



	4a	Server confirms passcode is valid
		Return 1
	4b	Server confirms passcode is invalid
		Returns -1
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Number	4		
Name	Verify Password		
Summary	The server verifies that the password submitted by the user is correct for the		
•	email provided.		
Priority	5		
Preconditions	The us	ser must have pressed the login button and filled out the email and	
		ord fields.	
Postconditions	There	will exist a variable that indicates whether the password/email	
		nation was correct.	
Primary Actor	Servei		
Secondary Actors	Base U	Jser	
Trigger	The se	erver receives an email and password combination from the user.	
Main Scenario	Step		
	1	Server receives receives an email and password combination	
	2	Server queries database for the provided email	
	3	Server compares the hashed value provided by the user and the	
		hashed value stored in the database	
	4	Server returns the result of the compared values from the previous	
		step	
Extensions	Step	Branching Action	
	2a	Server finds a database entry for the provided email:	
		Server grabs the hashed value of the user's password	
	2b	Server does not find a database entry for the provided email:	
		Server skips step 3 and returns -1	
	3a	Compared values are the same:	
		Returns 1 in step 4	
	3b	Compared values are not the same:	
		Returns -1 in step 4	
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Number	5			
Name	Displa	Display Error Message		
Summary	The sy	ystem displays an unsuccessful login attempt message		
Priority	2			
Preconditions	Use ca	ase #4 returns -1		
Postconditions	The server displays an error message that the user sees to notify them of an unsuccessful login attempt.			
Primary Actor	Server			
Secondary Actors	Base User			
Trigger	Use case #4 returns -1			
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	The front-end of the system receives a -1 value from use case #4		
	2	The system updates the front-end display to indicate the user's login attempt was unsuccessful.		
	3	The user sees the login screen displaying an error message stating that the email and password combination was not valid.		
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Number	6	6		
Name	Create	Create DPOS		
Summary	The us	The user creates a new Draft Program of Study that the system stores.		
Priority	5			
Preconditions	The us	ser must have a registered account		
Postconditions	The se	erver must store the completed form that the user creates.		
Primary Actor	Stude	nt User		
Secondary Actors	Server			
Trigger	The student user selects the "Create DPOS" button.			
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	2	The system makes sure the user doesn't already have an open DPOS for desired program credentials (Prompt asks what SCIS graduate degree or certificate is being sought) The user is brought to a screen that defaults to "Graduate		
	2	Certificate", but has a dropdown option for the user to select "Master's Degree" and "PhD Degree"		
	3	The user makes additions to fill the form		
	4	The user or server attempts to save the work completed within the form so far		
	5	The user completes the DPOS form they selected		
	6	The user selects the "Submit" button		
	7	Send notification to Graduate Coordinator, Major Advisor, and Committee members.		
	8	Committee member timer starts.		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		



	1a	The user has an open DPOS for desired program credential:
		Use case is halted and user is presented an error message
	3a	The user does not fill out the form:
		A variable called "formStarted" is set to 0
	3b	The user does fill out at least some of the form:
		A variable called "formStarted" is set to 1
	4a	If "formStarted" equals 0:
		The system will not save the DPOS form
	4b	If "formStarted" equals 1:
		The system will trigger use case 9
	5a	The user has completed the DPOS form:
		The system sets a variable called "formComplete" to 1
	5b	The user has not completed the DPOS form:
		The system sets a variable called "formComplete" to 0
	6a	The user does not select the submit button:
		Loop back to step 3
	6b	The user selects the submit button and "formComplete" equals 0:
		System displays an error message and loop back to step 3
	6c	The user selects the submit button and "formComplete" equals 1:
		Trigger use case #12
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Name	Modif	Modify DPOS		
Summary	The us	ser attempts to modify a DPOS they have previously saved.		
Priority	3			
Preconditions	The us	ser must have at least one saved DPOS.		
Postconditions	The D	POS will be updated per the student user's changes		
Primary Actor	Stude	nt User		
Secondary Actors	Serve	Server		
Trigger	The us	The user selected the "Modify DPOS" button.		
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	The server receives the request from the user to modify their DPOS.		
	2	The server queries the database for the DPOS.		
	3	The server returns the DPOS to the front-end system.		
	4	The form that the user originally used to create or previously modify		
		their DPOS is populated with their previously saved information.		
		(See use case #6)		
	5	The user makes changes as necessary to the form.		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
	3a	The server fails to locate and/or return the requested DPOS:		
		The use case ceases and an error message is displayed to the user.		
	5a	The user makes at least one change to the form:		
		The system sets a variable called "formModified" is set to 1		



	5b	The user does not make any changes to the form: The system sets a variable called "formModified" is set to 0
Open Issues		

Number	8		
Name		Save Changes	
Summary		erver stores the DPOS that the user is currently populating with	
l a s	information		
Priority	5		
Preconditions	The u	The user must have created a DPOS and populated some of the fields with	
	inforn		
Postconditions	The server stores the DPOS or updates a previously stored iteration of the		
	DPOS	DPOS.	
Primary Actor	Stude	nt User	
Secondary Actors	Serve		
Trigger		the student user presses a "save" button or the server automatically	
		the form after 30 seconds. (See use cases 10 and 11)	
Main Scenario	Step	Action	
	1	The server receives one of the two triggers mentioned above.	
	2	The server creates a temporary form object if the form currently	
		being worked on is not blank.	
	3	The server adds the unique identifier that corresponds with the	
	4	current DPOS.	
	4	The server updates fields of the temporary form object with exact	
		copies of the information present in the DPOS at the time of the trigger.	
	5	The server updates the DPOS with the same unique identifier on	
		record with the temporary form object that contains the same unique	
		identifier.	
	6	The server returns the status of whether the temporary form object	
		was successfully saved.	
	7	The system displays whether the attempt to save the current form	
		was successful or not.	
Extensions	Step	Branching Action	
	2a	The DPOS form is blank:	
		The use case ends and no further action is taken	
	3a	No such unique identifier exists:	
		The DPOS is assigned a unique random identifier	
	5a	Update is unsuccessful:	
		Return -1	
	5b	Update is successful:	
	<u> </u>	Return 1	
	7a	Value from step 5 was -1:	
		Display to the user that the save was unsuccessful	



	7b	Value from step 5 was 1: Display to the user that the save was successful
Open Issues		

Number	9		
Name		Changes Manually	
Summary	User r	User manually request for the server to save changes they have made to a DPOS or POS.	
Priority	2		
Preconditions	User r	nust have an account, have logged in, has an open POS or DPOS	
Postconditions			
Primary Actor	Servei	ſ	
Secondary Actors	Stude	nt or staff	
Trigger	Stude	nt or staff clock on save changes button	
Main Scenario	Step	Action	
	1	The server receives user initiated save prompt	
	2	The server creates a temporary form object if the form currently being worked on is not blank.	
	3	The server adds the unique identifier that corresponds with the current DPOS.	
	4	The server updates fields of the temporary form object with exact copies of the information present in the DPOS at the time of the trigger.	
	5	The server updates the DPOS with the same unique identifier on record with the temporary form object that contains the same unique identifier.	
	6	The server returns the status of whether the temporary form object was successfully saved.	
	7	The system displays whether the attempt to save the current form was successful or not.	
Extensions	Step	Branching Action	
	2a	The DPOS form is blank: The use case ends and no further action is taken	
	3a	No such unique identifier exists : The DPOS is assigned a unique random identifier	
	5a	Update is unsuccessful: Return -1	
	5b	Update is successful: Return 1	
	7a	Value from step 5 was -1: Display to the user that the save was unsuccessful	
	7b	Value from step 5 was 1: Display to the user that the save was successful	
Open Issues			



Number	10		
Name		Save Changes Automatically	
Summary		System automatically saves documents every 30 seconds.	
Priority	4		
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Preconditions	Users	must have an open POS or DPOS. Server timer enabled in real time.	
Postconditions	G		
Primary Actor	Server		
Secondary Actors		nts or staff	
Trigger		sentinel value timer hits 30 second mark	
Main Scenario	Step	Action	
	1	The server receives user initiated save prompt	
	2	The server creates a temporary form object if the form currently	
		being worked on is not blank.	
	3	The server adds the unique identifier that corresponds with the	
	4	current DPOS.	
	4	The server updates fields of the temporary form object with exact	
		copies of the information present in the DPOS at the time of the	
		trigger.	
	5	The server updates the DPOS with the same unique identifier on	
		record with the temporary form object that contains the same unique identifier.	
	6		
	0	The server returns the status of whether the temporary form object was successfully saved.	
	7	The system displays whether the attempt to save the current form	
		was successful or not.	
Extensions	Step	Branching Action	
	2a	The DPOS form is blank:	
		The use case ends and no further action is taken	
	3a	No such unique identifier exists:	
		The DPOS is assigned a unique random identifier	
	5a	Update is unsuccessful:	
		Return -1	
	5b	Update is successful:	
		Return 1	
	7a	Value from step 5 was -1:	
		Display to the user that the system auto saved unsuccessfully	
	7b	Value from step 5 was 1:	
		Display to the user that the system auto saved successfully	
Open Issues			

Number	11
Name	Submit DPOS for Approval



Summary	User s	User submits their DPOS for approval		
Priority	5	5		
Preconditions	User n	nust have filled out the form completely		
Postconditions	Alert	server of changes		
Primary Actor	Studer	nt		
Secondary Actors	Serve	Server		
Trigger	User c	User clicks on Submit for Approval button		
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	The user receives a prompt asking if they are sure		
	2	The user responds to the on screen prompt		
	3	The server alerts the appropriate users to review the POS		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
	2a	User clicks on "Yes, Submit":		
		The server alerts the appropriate users to review the POS		
	2b	User clicks on "No":		
		The system returns to the DPOS		
Open Issues				

Number	12			
Name	Alert Server of Changes			
Summary	After t	he user makes changes to their submission, the server gets notified of		
-	it, and	notifies the appropriate users to review.		
Priority	3			
Preconditions	User n	nust have submitted a prior POS submission.		
Postconditions	Server	Server and relevant users have been notified of the changes made.		
Primary Actor	User			
Secondary Actors	Server			
Trigger	All - Use Case #13			
	Student - Use Case #11			
	Advisor Committee/Grad Coordinator - Use Cases #16 and 17			
	Major Advisor/Grad Coordinator - Use Case #18			
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	A user triggers any of the above use cases		
	2	The system recognizes that a noteworthy event has occurred and		
		begins a notification process.		
	3	The system triggers the server to start use case #14		
Open Issues				

Number	13
Name	Resend reminder to review DPOS
Summary	A user can send out a reminder to any member to review the DPOS with any changes it may contain.



Priority	1			
Preconditions	A DPO	A DPOS exists and has not been commented on or viewed by at least 1		
	associated user			
Postconditions	Notify	Users of Updates (Use Case #14) is triggered		
Primary Actor	User			
Secondary Actors	Serve			
Trigger	A user DPOS	selects the "Resend Reminder to Review DPOS" button for a given		
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	The system receives the request to remind users who have not yet commented on or viewed the DPOS.		
	2	The system queries the database to find the DPOS to see who has not yet viewed, commented on, or approved the DPOS.		
	3	The system takes note of the users who have not yet viewed the most recent changes to a DPOS, as well as making note of whether the graduate coordinator and Major advisor have provided their approval status yet.		
	4	The system triggers Use Case #14 with the noted users		
	5	The system emails displays a message that the server is in the process of sending the reminder.		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
	2a	The system fails to find the DPOS in question: Use case ends and displays an error message to the user		
	3a	There is no one that the system is able to take note on, as all members have viewed the DPOS and the graduate coordinator and the Major advisor have both provided their approval statuses: Use case ends and displays a message to the user saying there is no need to resend the reminder.		
Open Issues				

Number	14			
Name	Notify	Notify Users of Updates		
Summary	The se	erver notifies the appropriate users of updates to a DPOS		
Priority	4			
Preconditions	The se	The server must have received changes or comments to a DPOS		
Postconditions	The se	erver will notify users to review the DPOS		
Primary Actor	Servei	Server		
Secondary Actors	User	User		
Trigger	Use Case #12 (Alert Server of Changes) and Use Case #13 (Resend			
	Reminder to Review DPOS)			
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	Server receives a request to notify users of updates		
	2	Server sends the notification email to the appropriate people		
Open Issues				



Number	15			
Name	View	View Committee Student DPOS		
Summary	Displa	y Committee Student DPOS		
Priority	5			
Preconditions	Comn	nittee Student DPOS must be submitted.		
Postconditions	Comn	nittee Student DPOS will be displayed		
Primary Actor	Stude	Student, Graduate Coordinator, Advisory Committee		
Secondary Actors	Server			
Trigger	Server receives request to display committee Student DPOS			
Main Scenario	Step	Step Action		
	1	Server receives request to display committee student DPOS		
	2	2 Server Locates committee student DPOS		
	3	3 Server Displays committee student DPOS		
Open Issues				

Number	16			
Name	Comment on Committee Student DPOS			
Summary		Users are able to leave comments on an Advisory Committee student's		
		submission.		
Priority	3			
Preconditions	Comn	nittee Student DPOS must be submitted.		
Postconditions	A com	ment will be left on the DPOS submission.		
Primary Actor	Stude	nt, Graduate Coordinator, Advisory Committee		
Secondary Actors	Servei			
Trigger	Server receives request to write a comment on the Student DPOS			
Main Scenario	Step			
	1	Server receives request to write a comment on the Student DPOS		
	2	Server locates committee student DPOS		
	3	Server opens a window for the user to write in.		
	4	User submits their comment to the server.		
	5	Server updates the DPOS with the user's comment		
	6	Server notifies the DPOS' owner of the placed comment		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
	2a	The server fails to locate the DPOS in question:		
		The use case ends and an error message is displayed to the user.		
	3a	The window is left blank:		
		The use case ends and no further action is taken		
	5a	Update is unsuccessful:		
		Return -1		
	5b	Update is successful:		
		Return 1		



	6a	Value from 5 was -1:	
		Display to the user that the save was unsuccessful	
	6b	Value from 5 was 1:	
		Display to the user that the save was successful	
Open Issues			

Number	17			
Name	Provide Approval Status on Student DPOS			
Summary	An ad	An advisory member alerts the server of their approval status on a given student's DPOS.		
Priority	5			
Preconditions	Stude	nts' DPOS must be submitted for approval.		
Postconditions	Appro	val Status displayed.		
Primary Actor	Gradu	ate Coordinator/Major Advisor		
Secondary Actors	Server			
Trigger	An advisory member or the graduate coordinator selects either the "Changes Requested - No Approval" button or the "Approve DPOS" on a given DPOS.			
Main Scenario	Step	Action		
	1	The system receives the update to either approve a DPOS or request changes.		
	2	Server locates committee student DPOS		
	3	The system sends the update to the server to attach that higher level user's approval or disapproval to a DPOS (Use Case #12 triggered)		
	4	The system displays to the user that their approval status has been sent to the server.		
Extensions	Step	Branching Action		
0 1	2a	The server fails to locate committee student DPOS: Use case ends and system displays a message of failure to locate DPOS		
Open Issues				

Number	18		
Name	Make Changes to DPOS		
Summary	User Makes Changes to DPOS		
Priority	5		
Preconditions	Students DPOS must be submitted.		
Postconditions	Requests for changes to DPOS will be made		
Primary Actor	Graduate Coordinator, Major Advisor		
Secondary Actors	Server		
Trigger	User selects "Makes changes to student DPOS"		
Main Scenario	Step Action		

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	1	The system triggers a modified use case of use case #7
	2	The higher level user makes modifications to the DPOS form.
	3	The higher level user submits modifications of the DPOS form to the
		server.
	4	The server receives the modifications to the DPOS and triggers use
		case #12 (Alert Server of Changes)
	5	The advisor/graduate coordinator receives confirmation that their
		changes were successfully passed to the server.
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