To create and manage the database, you need a MongoDB environment. Here's how to set it up and create the database step by step:

Step 1: Install MongoDB

- 1. Option 1: Install MongoDB Locally
 - Download and install MongoDB from the <u>official MongoDB website</u>.

After installation, start the MongoDB service: mongod

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- 2. Option 2: Use MongoDB Atlas (Cloud-Based Solution)
 - o Create a free account on MongoDB Atlas.
 - Set up a free cluster.

Obtain the connection string for your database (it will look like this):

mongodb+srv://<username>:<password>@cluster0.mongodb.net/<databaseName>?retryWrites =true&w=majority

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Step 2: Use a MongoDB Client

You can interact with MongoDB in several ways:

- 1. **Mongo Shell** (Command-line interface)
- 2. **MongoDB Compass** (GUI for MongoDB)
- 3. **Programming Language** (e.g., Node.js, Python)

We'll focus on using Node.js for building your backend.

Step 3: Set Up Your Project

1. **Install Node.js** (if not already installed): <u>Download here</u>.

Initialize a Node.js Project:

```
mkdir candidate-management cd candidate-management npm init -y
```

2.

Install Required Packages:

npm install mongodb

3.

Step 4: Create the Database

Here's how you can create the database and collections programmatically:

Example Code to Create Database and Collections

```
const { MongoClient } = require('mongodb');
// MongoDB connection string
const uri =
'mongodb+srv://<username>:<password>@cluster0.mongodb.net/candidateDB?retryWrites=tru
e&w=majority';
// Connect to MongoDB
async function main() {
 const client = new MongoClient(uri);
 try {
  // Connect to the database
  await client.connect();
  console.log('Connected to MongoDB!');
  // Create or select database
  const database = client.db('candidateDB');
  // Create collections (optional, MongoDB creates them automatically if they don't exist)
  await database.createCollection('candidates');
  await database.createCollection('documents');
  console.log('Collections created!');
```

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// Example of inserting a candidate document
  const candidatesCollection = database.collection('candidates');
  const result = await candidatesCollection.insertOne({
   personalInformation: {
     name: 'John Doe',
     email: 'john.doe@example.com',
     phone: '+1234567890',
   },
    education: {
     masters: {
      institution: 'XYZ University',
      program: 'M.Tech',
      branch: 'Al',
    },
   },
  });
  console.log(`Candidate inserted with ID: ${result.insertedId}`);
 } catch (err) {
  console.error('Error connecting to MongoDB:', err);
 } finally {
  // Close the connection
  await client.close();
}
main();
```

Step 5: Verify the Database

1. If Using MongoDB Compass:

- Open MongoDB Compass.
- Connect using the same connection string.
- Check for the candidateDB database and its candidates and documents collections.

If Using Mongo Shell:

```
mongo
use candidateDB
show collections
```

db.candidates.find().pretty()

2.

Step 6: Manage Documents

- Insert Candidates: Use insertOne or insertMany methods.
- Query Candidates: Use find or findOne.
- **Store Documents**: Save file paths in the documents collection and store files in a file storage solution (e.g., AWS S3 or local server).

If you want code for specific operations (e.g., file uploads or advanced queries), let me know!