ERP System Development SRS

Software Requirements Specification (SRS)

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- **Staff:** Access to assigned modules (e.g., instructors to academic, HR staff to administration).

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- Third-party API integrations may be required for future expansion.
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Merged and Expanded SRS (Standard Structure)

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This SRS document specifies the requirements for the development of an ERP system integrating Academic, Marketing & Finance, and Administration & Human Resource modules. The system supports role-based user authentication, secure data handling, and facilitates management and operational functionalities for an academic institution.

1.2 Intended Audience and Stakeholders

- Software Engineering Team
- Project Manager
- Academic and Administrative Staff
- Marketing and Finance Personnel
- End Users (Admins, Students, Staff)

1.3 Scope

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The ERP system will cover three core modules:

- Academic Module for course management and student tracking
- Marketing & Finance Module for fee management and campaign analytics
- Administration & Human Resource Module for employee and asset management

Common functionalities include secure login, role-based access control, API integration, and database management.

1.4 Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

- ERP: Enterprise Resource Planning
- SRS: Software Requirements Specification
- API: Application Programming Interface
- CRUD: Create, Read, Update, Delete
- ROI: Return on Investment
- HR: Human Resources

2. Overall Description

2.1 Product Perspective / User Classes and Characteristics

The ERP system is a standalone solution integrating various institutional functions to improve data consistency, user experience, and operational efficiency.

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2.2 User Needs

- Secure and role-based access to the system
- Ability to manage academic courses, student records, financial transactions, marketing campaigns, and HR functions
- Data reporting and dashboard views for monitoring and decision-making

2.3 Assumptions and Dependencies

- The system will rely on the availability of a relational database and secure authentication mechanisms.
- Third-party API integrations may be required for future expansion.
- System performance depends on the underlying infrastructure and network reliability.
- Users will access the system via authenticated web clients
 - Relational database system such as MySQL or PostgreSQL will be used

- Secure hashing algorithms will be applied for password management
- RESTful APIs will facilitate internal and external communication

3. System Features and Requirements

3.1 General Features (Common to All Modules)

3.1.1 User Authentication Model / System

- Role-based access control (Admin, Student, Staff)
- Secure login with hashed passwords
- Session management and logout functionality
- Authentication must comply with security best practices
- Sessions should expire after a period of inactivity
- Only authorized users can access their permitted modules
- Passwords are never stored in plain text

3.1.2 Database Management Model

- Use of a relational database (MySQL/PostgreSQL)
- Data normalization and integrity enforcement
- Backup and recovery features
- Database must support ACID transactions
- Regular automated backups
- Data remains consistent and recoverable after failures

3.1.3 API Integration Model

- RESTful APIs for inter-module communication
- API documentation for third-party integrations
- APIs must be secure and follow standard conventions
- Modules communicate seamlessly via APIs
- APIs are documented and accessible

3.2 Academic Module

• Course and program management (Add, modify, delete courses)

- Student performance tracking (grades, attendance)
- Examination scheduling and results publication
- CRUD operations for academic records
- Dynamic dashboards for students and instructors
- Generate reports (grade transcripts, attendance summaries)
- Students and instructors can view performance data
- Students receive timely notifications of results

3.3 Marketing & Finance Module

- Tuition fee management (invoice generation, payment tracking)
- Expense tracking and financial reporting
- Marketing campaign tracking (leads, conversions, ROI analysis)
- Analytics dashboard for campaign and financial metrics
- Students can view and pay fees; receipts are generated
- Admins can view monthly financial summaries
- Marketing staff can analyze campaign effectiveness
- Users can access visual summaries of key metrics

3.4 Administration & Human Resource Module

- Employee management (recruitment, payroll, attendance)
- Leave and performance tracking for staff
- Asset management (e.g., office inventory)
- HR dashboard with leave status and performance analytics
- Notifications for critical tasks (e.g., leave approval)
- HR staff can manage employee records and payroll
- Staff can request leave; managers can approve/reject
- Admins can track and update asset records
- Users receive timely notifications for HR actions

4. Non-Functional Requirements

4.1 Performance

- System should respond to user requests within 2 seconds under normal load
- System shall support concurrent users per role without degradation
- API responses to be within acceptable time limits (e.g., < 2 seconds)

4.2 Security

- All sensitive data must be encrypted in transit and at rest
- Protection against common web vulnerabilities (e.g., SQL injection, XSS)

4.3 Usability

- User interfaces must be intuitive and accessible
- User-friendly interfaces and dashboards tailored to each role
- Responsive design for varying device access

4.4 Reliability & Availability

- System uptime should be at least 99% (target: 99.5%)
- Automated backup and recovery mechanisms

4.5 Maintainability

- Modular design for ease of updates and feature addition
- Well-documented APIs and codebase

4.6 Scalability

System must support growth in users and data volume

5. System Architecture and Design Constraints

- The system must use a relational database
- Must support RESTful API communication between modules
- Must enforce role-based access control
- Must provide backup and recovery mechanisms
- Design diagrams (use case, class, component) should be included in the technical documentation

6. User Interface Requirements / External Interface Requirements

6.1 User Interfaces

- Clear navigation flows for each user role
- Authentication screen
- Role-specific dashboards and management screens for each module
- Screen layouts for dashboards, forms, and reports
- Consistent design across modules

6.2 Hardware Interfaces

• Standard web client devices (PC, tablets, smartphones)

6.3 Software Interfaces

- RESTful APIs facilitating communication between modules
- Database interfaces supporting application CRUD operations

6.4 Communications Interfaces

• HTTP/HTTPS protocol for client-server communication

7. Data Requirements

- Data storage for users, courses, financial records, employees, assets, etc.
- Data formats must be standardized across modules
- Data flow between modules via APIs

8. Other Requirements

8.1 Legal & Regulatory Compliance

Must comply with data protection regulations relevant to the academic institution location

8.2 Internationalization & Localization

Support for multiple languages (if required by institution)

8.3 Risks and Mitigation

- Risk: Data loss due to system failure Mitigation: Regular backups and recovery testing
- Risk: Security breaches Mitigation: Implement strong authentication and encryption

9. External Interface Requirements (continued)

- APIs for integration with third-party systems (e.g., payment gateways, external reporting tools)
- Support for standard data exchange formats (e.g., JSON, CSV)

10. Acceptance Criteria

- All functional and non-functional requirements are met
- Each module delivers the specified features and reports
- System passes user acceptance testing with stakeholders

11. Appendices

11.1 Glossary

(Include definitions of key terms)

11.2 References

- Software engineering standards applied
- Institutional policy documents
- Large System Development Project PDF

End of Merged SRS Document

This document merges the original SRS and the expanded, standard-structured SRS for the ERP System Development project. All unique details from both have been preserved for completeness.