

**CSD3125**

**Assignment 3**

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## 1. Introduction

The POD department of SIT would like to have a web-browser based software system named Talent Management System ("TMS" in short) to manage a talent pool of student assistants. The system could have the following functions:

- Students can register their interests to be considered as student assistants with their preferences and capabilities.
- Supervisors can submit their requests to look for student assistants by specifying the skills needed.
- TMS will make automatic recommendations of candidate students towards supervisors' request by matching the requirements with the students' capabilities and interests.
- Supervisors will review and choose the student assistants and issue the offer. The selected student assistants can choose to accept or reject the offer.
- Upon completion of the project, supervisors will mark the completion of the project and enter the duration of student's engagement.
- TMS will provide visualization canvas for supervisors, e.g., status of requests, etc.
- TMS will provide visualization canvas for students, e.g., tasks undertaken, etc.
- TMS has a message center containing various notification messages for both supervisors and students.

## 2. Requirement Analysis: User Analysis

Students:

**Age:** 19 – 30+

**Technological Proficiency:** Typically adept at using technology and at least fairly proficient in using job search type websites.

**Motivation:** Varying degrees of motivation depending on the individual but usually at least moderately motivated.

Supervisors:

**Age:** 35 - 60

**Technological Proficiency:** Less adept at using technology as age increases. Older supervisors are typically less proficient at navigating any kind of website.

**Motivation:** Varying degrees of motivation depending on the individual but usually at least slightly motivated.

## User Personas:



### USER CLASS: Student

#### Linda Chua

University 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Student

*"Delulu is the Solulu"*

## ABOUT

Linda is a 3<sup>rd</sup> year university student studying business analytics. As she is in her final year, she has decided to find an internship to gain experience in the working world. She is fairly confident in her skills but remains relatively stressed due to her current existing workload.

### INTERESTS

Anime  
Talking with friends  
Bubble Tea

### FEARS

Statistics  
Failing a module  
Being unable to find a job

### IDENTIFIERS

Technically competent  
Average motivation and resilience

### FRUSTRATIONS

The crushing weight of societal expectations  
Broken sleep schedule

## STATISTICS

Resiliency: ● ● ● ● ○

Respectfulness: ● ● ● ● ○

Friendliness: ● ● ● ● ○

## NEEDS

Clarity of instruction

Ease of navigation and familiarity to other similar sites



## USER CLASS: Supervisor

### Spot Tan

University Lecturer and Supervisor

*"If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask."*

## ABOUT

Professor Spot has been a university lecturer and an industry professional for several years now. He was assigned to be a supervisor for student internships recently after the previous supervisor retired.

### INTERESTS

Spending time with family  
Golf  
Exercising

### FEARS

Having too much work  
Not getting a pay raise  
Unruly children

### IDENTIFIERS

Technically competent  
Average motivation and resilience

### FRUSTRATIONS

Having to work overtime  
New and unfamiliar interfaces

## STATISTICS

Resiliency: ● ● ● ● ○

Respectfulness: ● ● ● ○ ○

Friendliness: ● ● ● ● ○

## NEEDS

Clarity of instruction

Ease of navigation and familiarity to other similar sites

### 3. Requirement Analysis: Task Analysis

TMS is effectively two websites at once. One exclusively for use by the students and the other used exclusively by the supervisors. This is because each user has vastly different goals within the same domain.

#### Identified Tasks:

- **Goal**  
Register as a student assistant
- **User**  
Student
- **Preconditions**  
Student has logged into the student domain of the site
- **Subtasks**  
Go to student profile  
Select "Edit Profile"  
Enter course, preferences, and capabilities  
Click save
  
- **Goal**  
Create new request
- **User**  
Supervisor
- **Preconditions**  
Supervisor has logged into the supervisor domain of the site
- **Subtasks**  
Go to existing requests  
Select "Create New Request"  
Write request title and description  
Enter request preferences and required skills  
Specify any extra documentation required  
Publish request
  
- **Goal**  
Search for jobs
- **User**  
Student
- **Preconditions**  
Student has logged into the student domain of the site
- **Subtasks**  
Go to open requests tab  
Select desired request  
Click "Apply"  
Submit extra required documentation

- **Goal**  
Search for appropriate candidates
- **User**  
Supervisor
- **Preconditions**  
Supervisor has logged into the supervisor domain of the site
- **Subtasks**  
Go to existing requests  
Select request listing  
View list of students who have applied to fill the request  
Click "Accept Student"
  
- **Goal**  
Accept job offer
- **User**  
Student
- **Preconditions**  
Student has logged into the student domain of the site
- **Subtasks**  
Go to applied jobs tab  
Select job which has been offered by the supervisor  
Accept (or Reject) the job offer
  
- **Goal**  
Close project
- **User**  
Supervisor
- **Preconditions**  
Project has been completed by student and Supervisor has logged into the supervisor domain of the site
- **Subtasks**  
Go to ongoing requests  
Select request listing  
Click "Close Project"  
Input feedback for student
  
- **Goal**  
View Notifications
- **User**  
Student, Supervisor
- **Preconditions**  
User has logged into the student domain of the site

- **Subtasks**

Click on messages tab at the bottom right of the website

Select relevant request tab

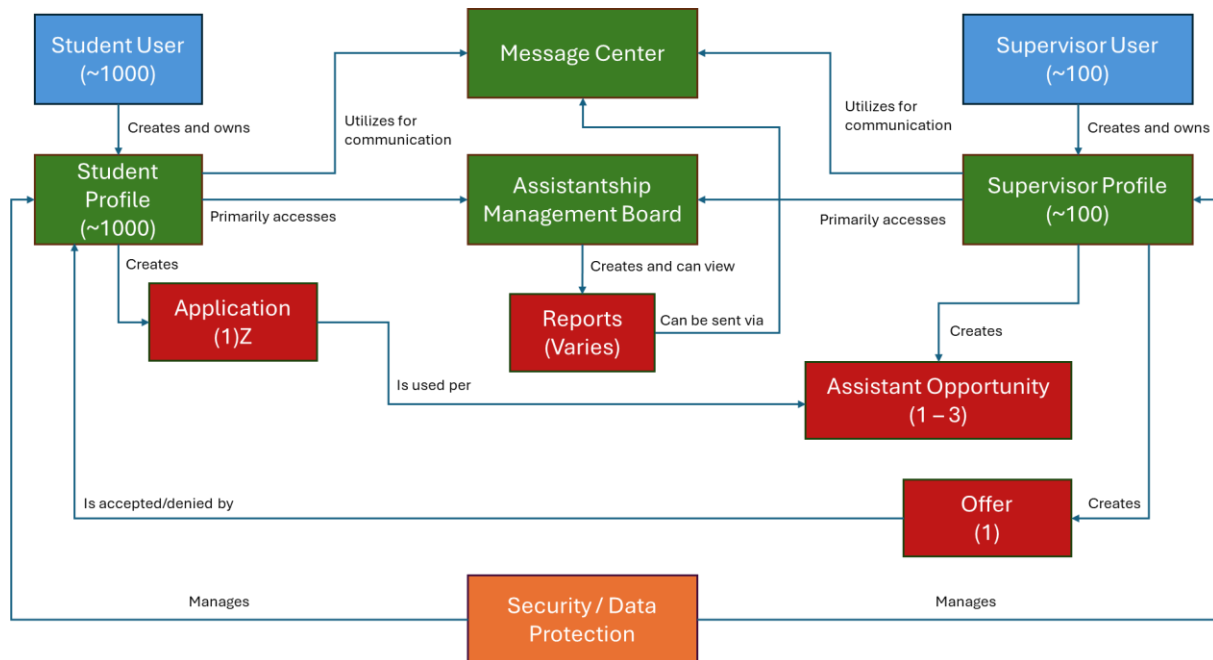
View notifications regarding said request

Type out response message

Send message

#### 4. Requirement Analysis: Domain Analysis

The domain analysis for TMS is as follows:



The two user classes of TMS are essentially using the site as a middleman to facilitate communication between the two parties.

## 5. Storyboards

### Student Side

Student logs into  
TMS website

Student fills in  
preferences and  
skills

Student searches  
for requests  
filtered based on  
preference and  
skills

Student reads  
request  
description and  
requirements and  
applies for the job

Student receives  
notification that  
an offer has been  
received

Student goes to  
applied jobs tab to  
view approved job

Student confirms  
acceptance of job  
offer

Student works on  
project in  
collaboration with  
supervisor

Upon job  
completion, the  
job status is set to  
completed

Student can read  
feedback from  
supervisor before  
closing the job



## Supervisor Side:

The wireframe shows a login section on the left with fields for 'TMS username' and 'Password'. To the right are three panels, each titled 'TMS'. The first panel contains a 'Create Request' button and a table with columns 'Job Title', 'Description', 'Status' (with a dropdown), and 'Pay rate'. The second panel contains a 'New Request' section with fields for 'Title', 'Description', and 'Requirements'. The third panel contains fields for 'Requirements', 'Pay Rate', and a 'Publish' button.

Supervisor logs into TMS

Supervisor clicks on Create Request button to create a new request

Supervisor fills in the job title and details

Once the job details are filled in, the Supervisor clicks Publish

The wireframe shows a 'Messages' notification area on the left. The main area is divided into three 'TMS' panels. The first panel shows a 'Created Requests' table with columns 'Job Title', 'Description', 'Status' (with a dropdown), and 'Pay Rate'. The second panel shows a 'New Request' section with fields for 'Job Title', 'PayRate', 'Description', 'Applicant Name', 'Applicant Skills', and 'other documents'. The third panel shows a table with columns 'Applicant Name', 'Applicant Skills', and 'Documents', and a 'Send Offer' button.

Supervisor receives a notification that a student has applied

Supervisor goes to created requests and opens applied job listing

Supervisor views list of applicants

Supervisor selects student profile and sends offer to chosen student

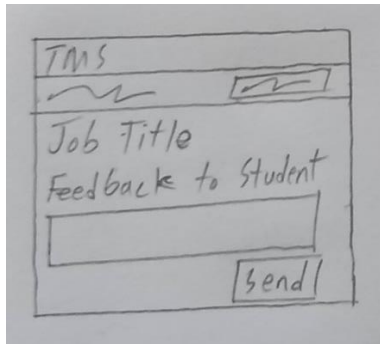
The wireframe shows a 'Messages' notification area on the left with two messages: 'You sent xx an offer' and 'xx accepted your offer'. The main area is divided into three 'TMS' panels. The first panel shows a table with columns 'Job Title', 'PayRate', 'Status' (with a dropdown), and 'In Progress'. The second panel shows a table with columns 'Job Title', 'PayRate', 'Description', and a 'Close Job' button. The third panel shows a table with columns 'Student Assigned' and a 'Close Job' button.

Supervisor receives a notification that the student has accepted the offer

Supervisor works with student to complete the project

Upon project completion, the supervisor will select the job in progress

Supervisor closes the job to finish the project



Supervisor issues  
feedback to the student  
upon project completion

## 6. Paper Prototypes

Student side:

	<p>Universal Login Page for all users</p>
	<p>On first logging in, the student is required to set up their preferences and skills</p>

TMS	Welcome Ely Lim!			Log Out
Profile	Applied Requests	Search	Portfolio	

Ely Lim  
Bsc Multimedia and Game Design

Preferences: ☐

Teaching Assistant, Design Assistant

Skills: ☐

Math, UI/UX, Design, C++

Save

Messages

Once preferences and skills are entered, the student clicks save to save their settings

TMS	Welcome Ely Lim!			Log Out
Profile	Applied Requests	Search	Portfolio	

Teaching Assistant, Higher Level Programming 2

Gabriel Chok \$15/hr  
Assist professor in in-class lab sessions, facilitate group projects and mark homework assignments

Design Assistant, Web UI

Chen Man \$100 Single Payment  
Assist professor in designing a web UI for an upcoming project

Teaching Assistant, Linear Algebra

Prashanth Sharma \$14/hr  
Assist professor in in-class lab sessions and marking homework assignments.

Messages

Potential request listings will be available based on the student's skills and preferences

TMS	Welcome Ely Lim!			Log Out
Profile	Applied Requests	Search	Portfolio	

Design Assistant, Web UI

Chen Man \$100 Single Payment

Assist professor in designing a web UI for an upcoming project

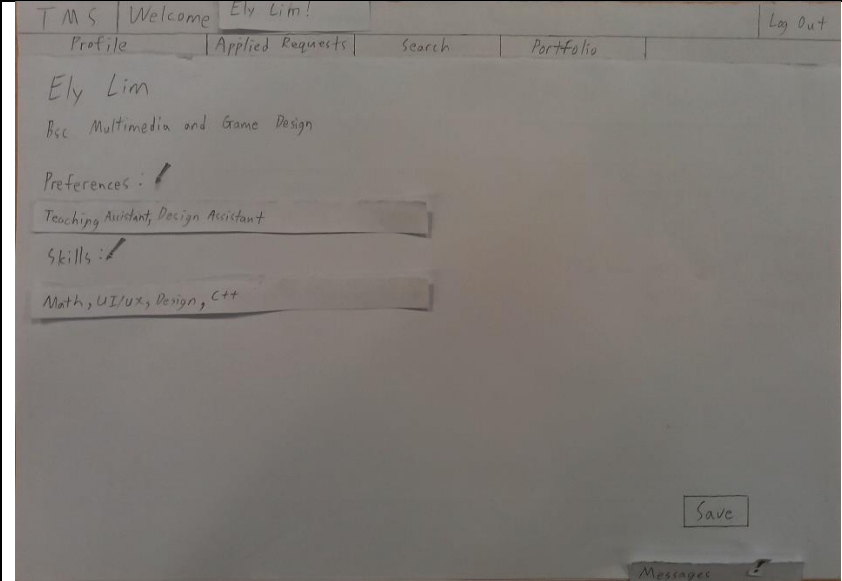
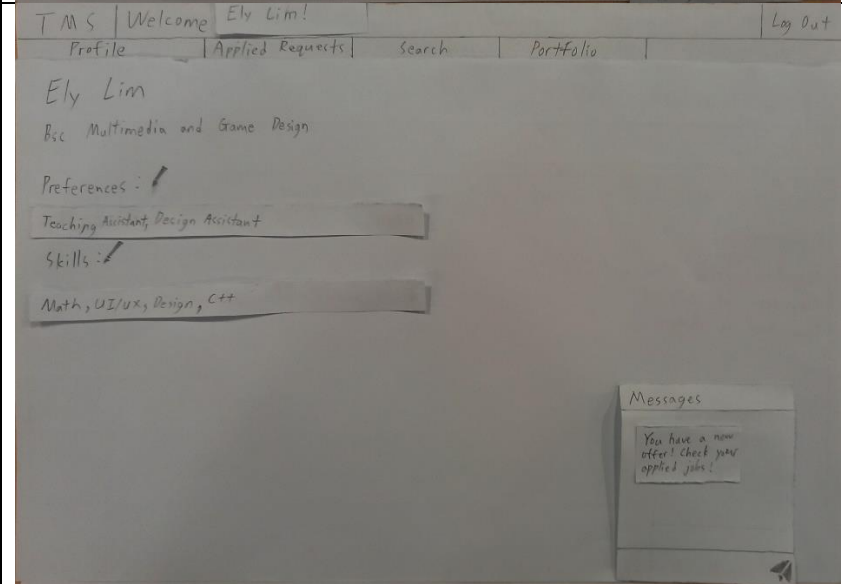
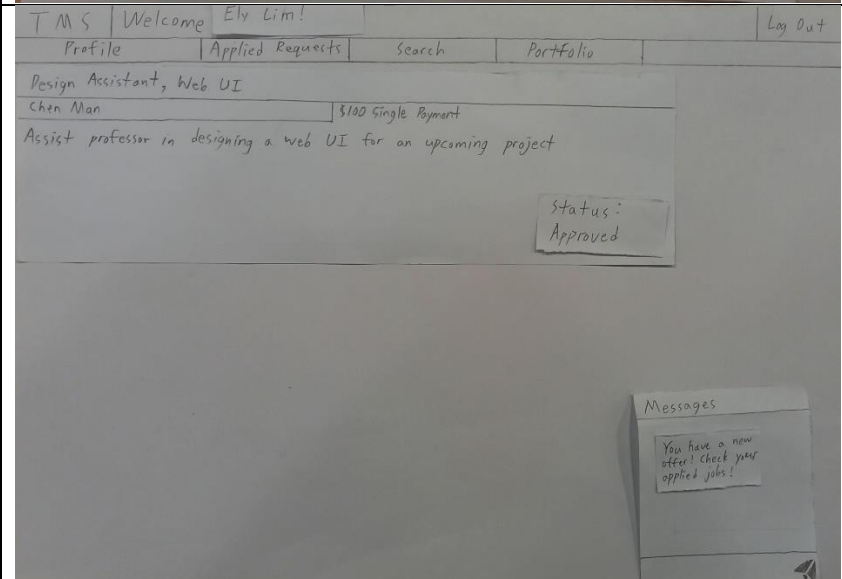
Requirements:

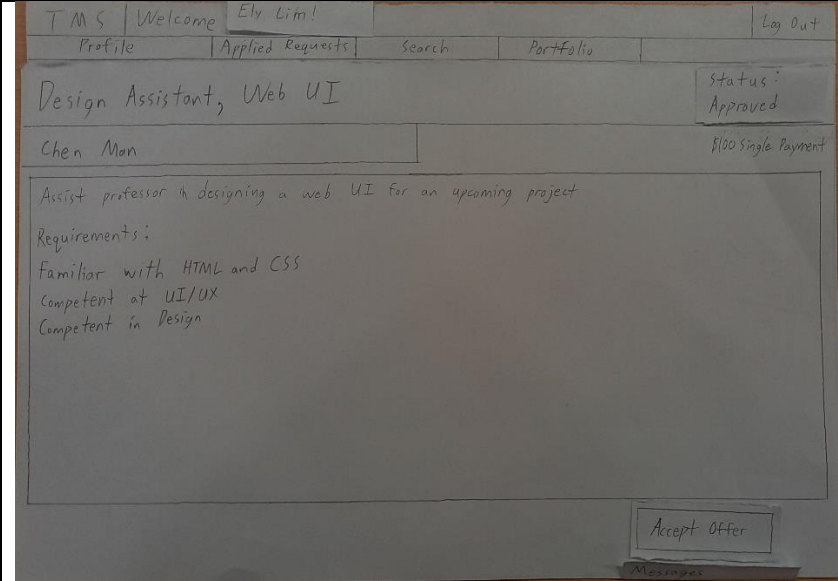
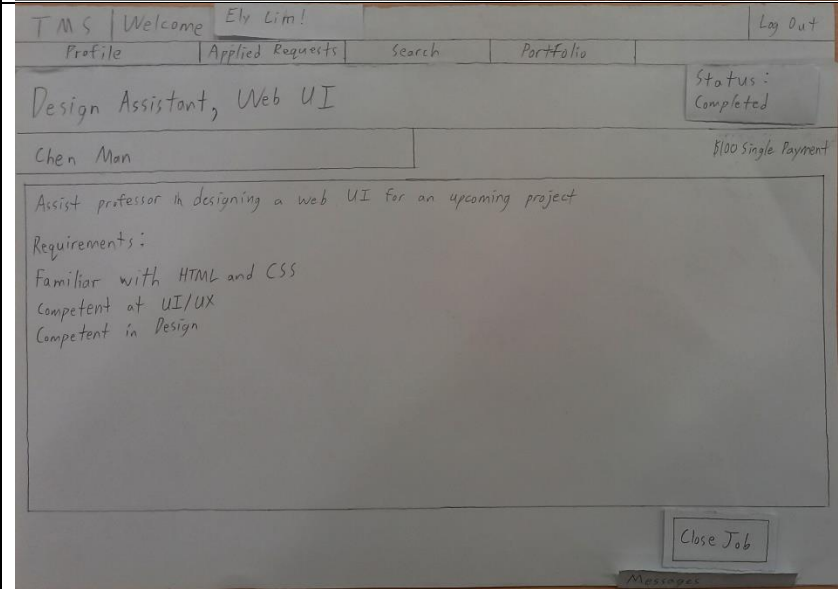
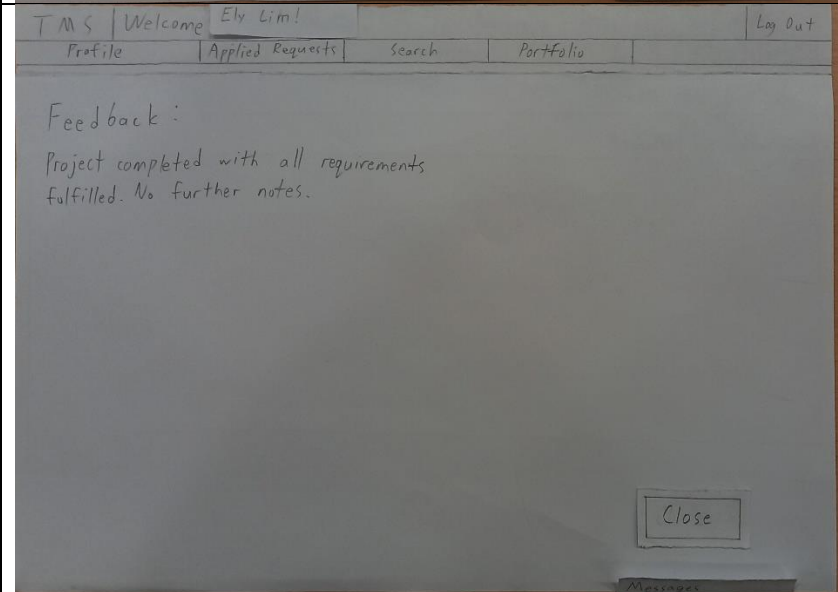
Familiar with HTML and CSS  
Competent at UI/UX  
Competent in Design

Apply

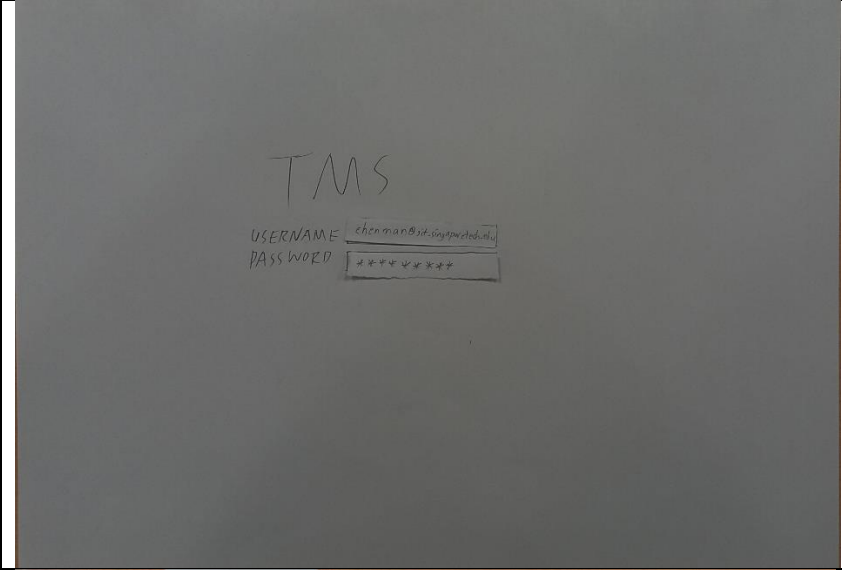
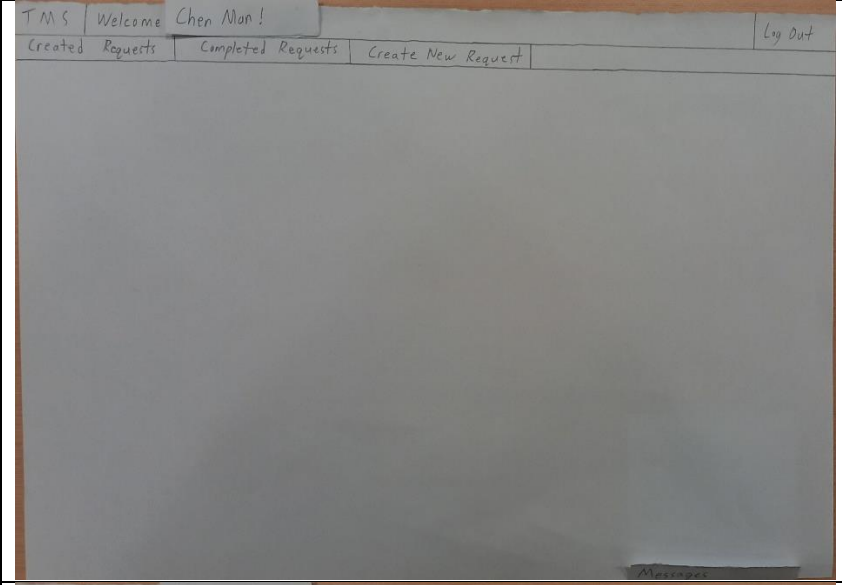
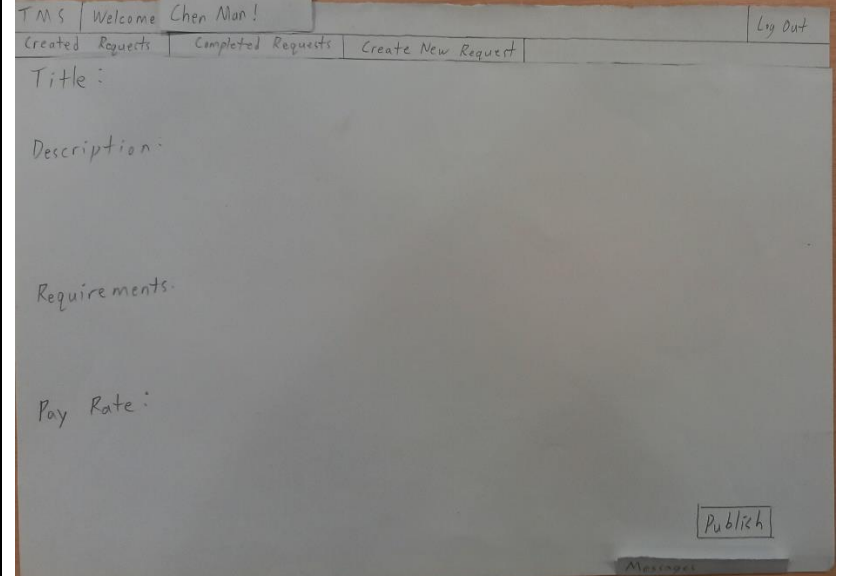
Messages

Student selects a listing and views the details before applying

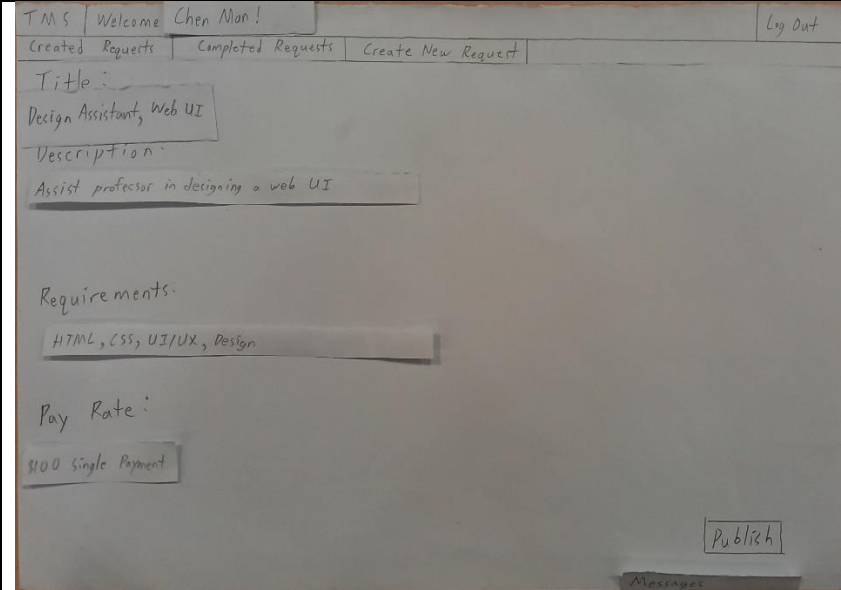
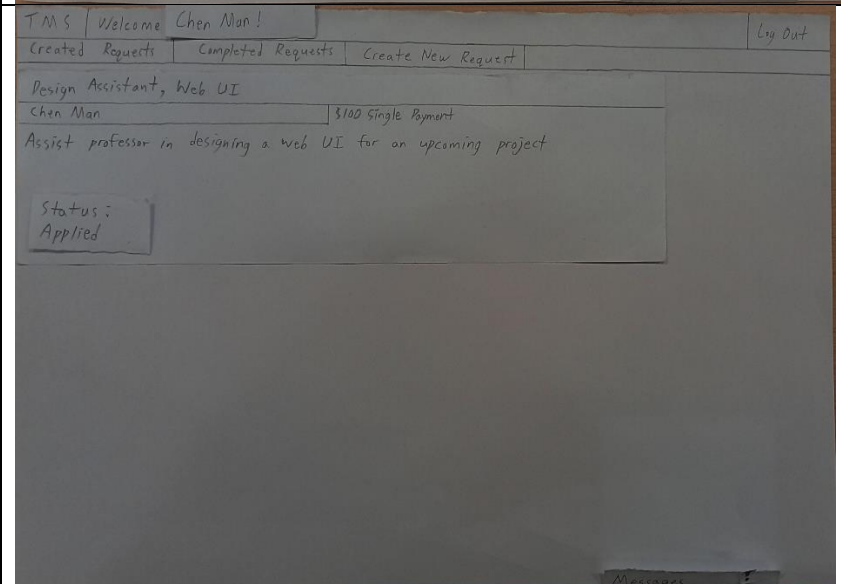
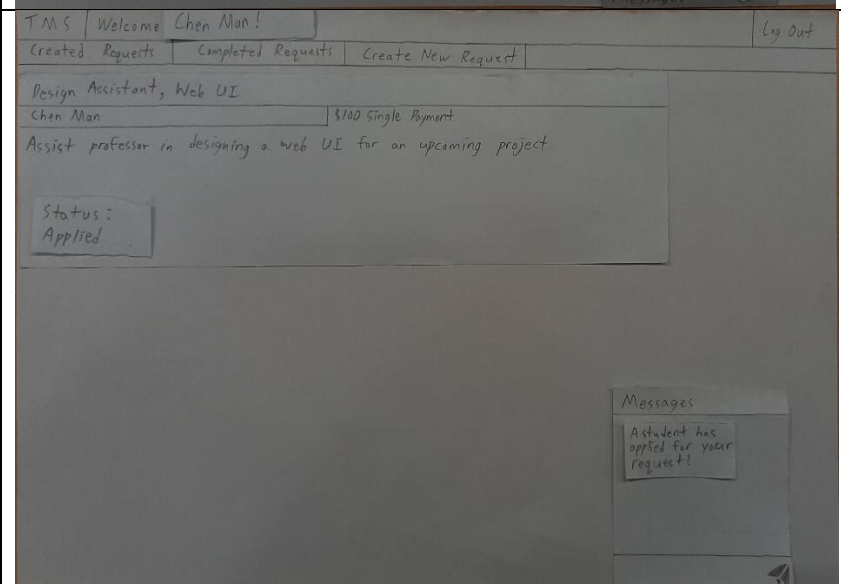
	<p>Student receives a notification via the messaging system</p>
	<p>Clicking on the message bar opens up the tab to allow the student to view messages</p>
	<p>Listing which student has applied to will be updated to "Approved" when the supervisor sends an offer.</p>

	<p>Student can choose to accept the offer to start the job</p>
	<p>When job has been completed, the job listing will be updated</p>
	<p>Student will receive feedback for their completed job, after which their completed job will be added to their portfolio</p>

## Supervisor Side:

	<p>Universal login page for all users</p>
	<p>Supervisor initially starts with no requests created</p>
	<p>Supervisor creates a new request by clicking on "Create New Request" button</p>



 <p>TMS   Welcome Chen Man!   Log Out</p> <p>Created Requests   Completed Requests   Create New Request</p> <p>Title: Design Assistant, Web UI</p> <p>Description: Assist professor in designing a web UI</p> <p>Requirements: HTML, CSS, UI/UX, Design</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$100 Single Payment</p> <p>Publish</p>	<p>Supervisor fills in the request details including requirements and expected job scope before publishing the job</p>
 <p>TMS   Welcome Chen Man!   Log Out</p> <p>Created Requests   Completed Requests   Create New Request</p> <p>Design Assistant, Web UI</p> <p>Chen Man   \$100 Single Payment</p> <p>Assist professor in designing a web UI for an upcoming project</p> <p>Status: Applied</p> <p>Messages</p>	<p>When a student applies to the job, the supervisor receives a notification via the messaging system</p>
 <p>TMS   Welcome Chen Man!   Log Out</p> <p>Created Requests   Completed Requests   Create New Request</p> <p>Design Assistant, Web UI</p> <p>Chen Man   \$100 Single Payment</p> <p>Assist professor in designing a web UI for an upcoming project</p> <p>Status: Applied</p> <p>Messages</p> <p>Student has applied for your request!</p>	<p>The published job listing status is also updated from "Open" to "Applied"</p>

TMS	Welcome Chen Man!	Log Out
Created Requests	Completed Requests	Create New Request

Design Assistant, Web UI  
 Chen Man      \$100 Single Payment  
 Assist professor in designing a web UI for an upcoming project

Applicant:  
 Ely Lim  
 UI/UX, Design

Send Offer

Messages  
 Student has applied for your request!

Opening the request listing shows the list of students who have applied to fulfil the request. The supervisor can decide which student they want to sent the offer to.

TMS	Welcome Chen Man!	Log Out
Created Requests	Completed Requests	Create New Request

Design Assistant, Web UI  
 Chen Man      \$100 Single Payment  
 Assist professor in designing a web UI for an upcoming project

Status: In Progress

Messages  
 You sent Ely an offer  
 Ely has accepted your offer

Once the offer has been accepted, the supervisor will be notified via messaging system once more. The job listing will be updated to "In Progress"

TMS	Welcome Chen Man!	Log Out
Created Requests	Completed Requests	Create New Request

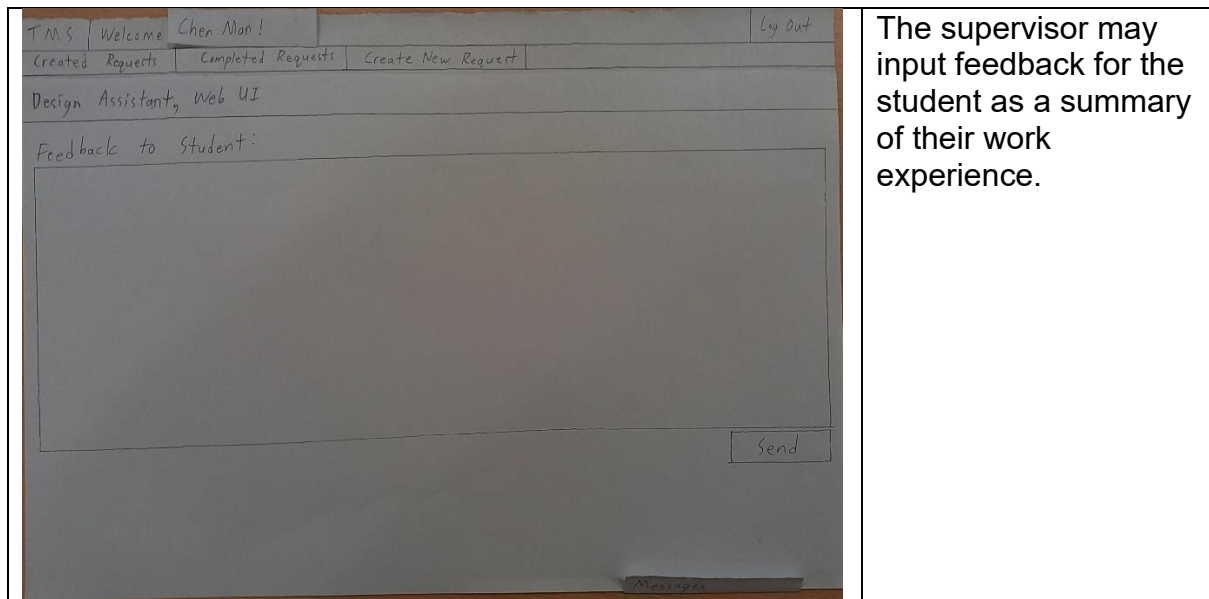
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Close Job

Student Assigned:  
 Ely Lim

Once the work has been done to a satisfactory degree, the supervisor can open the request listing and select the "Close Job" button to conclude the work

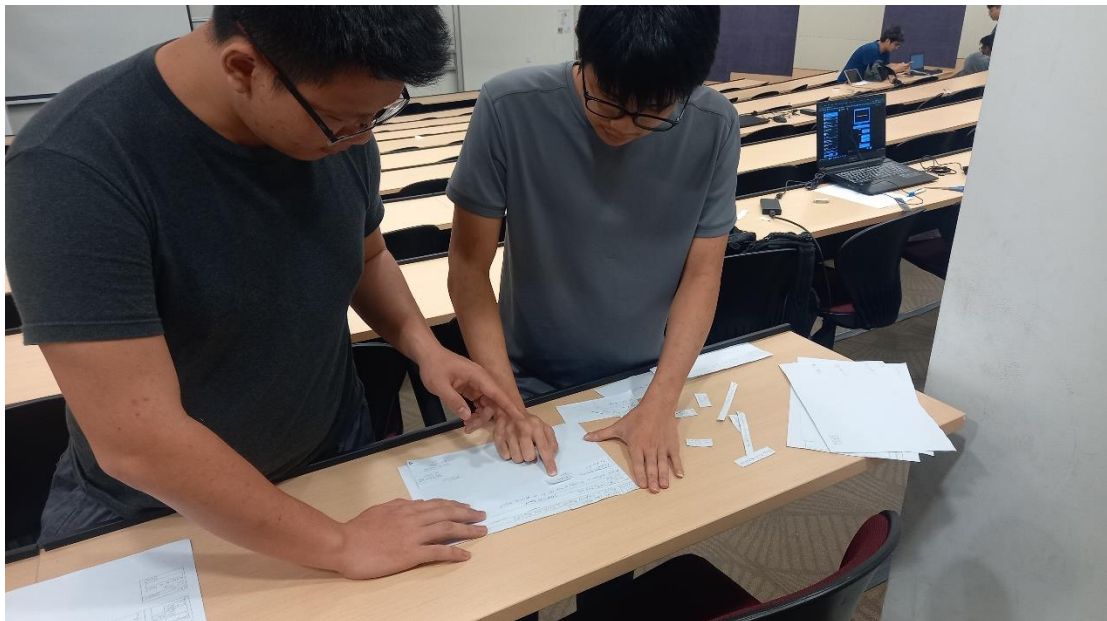




## 7. Prototype Testing

### Student side testing:

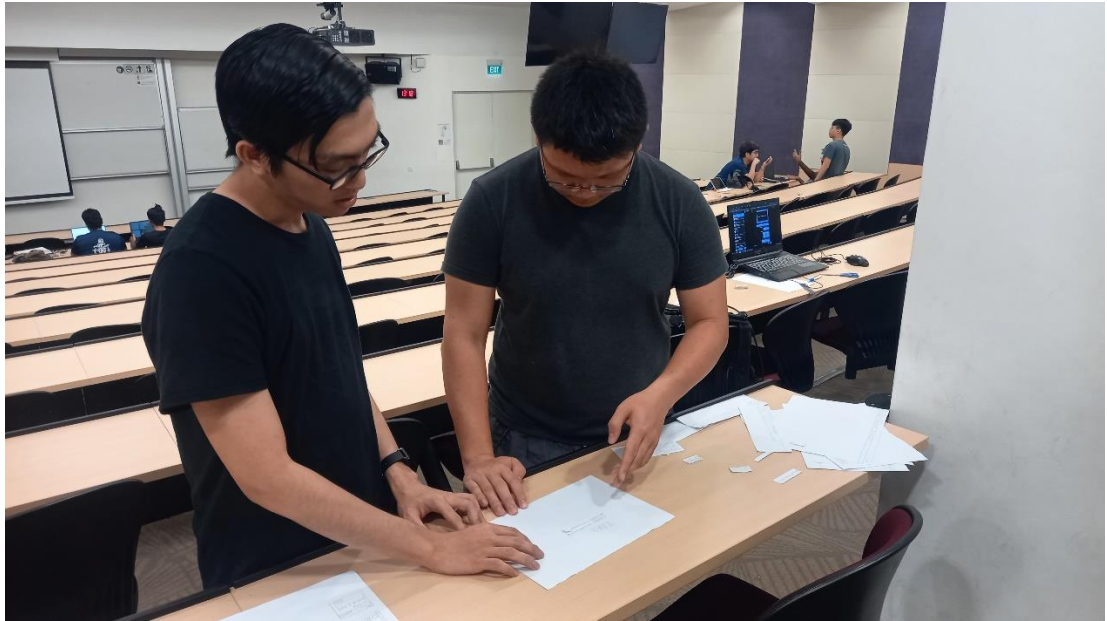
Classmates testing the student side of TMS noted that the simple and minimal layout of the site made navigation fairly simple and intuitive.



Some feedback that was noted was that students should have an option to cancel their application and reject a job offer in case of any unforeseen circumstances. Testers also noted that being able to distinguish between system messages and messages sent by their respective supervisors would be beneficial.

### Supervisor Side:

Classmates testing the supervisor side of TMS also felt that the layout of the site was easy to navigate and intuitive.



Feedback of note was that the supervisor would need separate message tabs for the multiple students that they might potentially be overseeing. The ability to close a request listing before any student applied for it was also highlighted as a feature that would be good to have.

## **8. Conclusion**

Adjustments from the current paper prototypes are as follows:

Allow students to cancel their application or reject an offer with a valid reason given.

Allow supervisors to cancel their published requests

Create a more robust messaging system that allows both users to better distinguish between different channels. (Refer to facebook messenger or Instagram messenger for design changes)