Course Registration System – Project Documentation

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Project Description

The Course Registration System is a student-focused and administrator-powered software application

designed using C++ and the Qt GUI framework. It automates the process of course registration,

prerequisite checking, grade management, and academic report generation.

This system ensures:

- Students can register efficiently while meeting prerequisites.
- Administrators can manage course data and student academic records seamlessly.

The system reads data from CSV files at launch and utilizes in-memory data structures to provide fast access and updates during runtime.

Key Features

For Students

- 1. Course Registration:
- Search and select available courses.
- Automatically check and validate course prerequisites before enrollment.
- 2. View Grades:
- Display all completed course grades in a friendly GUI format.
- Includes course name, semester, and grade.
- 3. Check Prerequisites:
- View required prerequisites before attempting to register for a course.
- 4. Generate GPA Report:
- Auto-generate a report with:
- Student name and ID
- All completed courses with grades and semesters
- Overall GPA

For Administrators

1. Upload Course Descriptions:

- Upload CSV files containing course ID, name, syllabus, credits, and instructor details.

2. Set Course Prerequisites:

- Define or update prerequisite mappings via the GUI.

3. Manage Grades:

- Upload student grades via CSV files.
- Assign grades to previously registered students.

Development Details

Category Technology

Language C++

GUI Framework Qt 6.9

IDE Visual Studio 2022

File Handling CSV (comma-separated values)

Version Control Git & GitHub

Encoding UTF-8 (supports Arabic & English)

Data Structures and Design Choices

This project uses unordered_map from the C++ Standard Template Library (STL) for O(1) access in the following:

- unordered_map<string, Student>: For storing student data using username or ID as the key.
- unordered_map<string, Course>: Maps course ID to course objects, allowing rapid lookup.
- unordered_map<string, Grade>: Links each course ID with the student's grade object.

The use of unordered_map ensures efficiency in real-time registration, prerequisite checking, and report generation.

In addition to unordered_map, the system also utilizes a **queue** to log student actions on the student page.

• queue<string> Student::history: Maintains a record of operations such as course registration, grade viewing, and report generation.

This queue helps track the student's session activity in **chronological order**, making it easier to debug and analyze their interaction flow.

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Minimum Functional Requirements

- Admin/Student Sign Up and Login
- Student:
- 1. Course Search
- 2. Course Registration
- 3. View Grades
- 4. Check Prerequisites
- 5. Make GPA Report
- Admin:
- 1. Upload Course Descriptions
- 2. Set Prerequisites
- 3. Manage Grades

Notes and Constraints

- Read data only once at application startup.
- Perform all logic using internal structures after data load.
- Using STL libraries is allowed.
- Bonus: GUI and grade file upload included.

Functional Input/Output Scenarios

► Function: Upload Student Grad

- Input: Student ID, Course ID, Semester, Year, Grade Value - Process: Check if student and course exist, update grade map, store in-memory - Output: Grade successfully uploaded message; grade visible in View Grades

► Function: Register Course

- Input: Student selection from 6 dropdowns, current credit hours
- Process: Validate no duplication, check credit limit, add to registration list
- Output: Updated registered courses; progress bar reflects total credit

► Function: Generate GPA Report

- Input: Student clicks Make Report
- Process: Loop over completed grades, calculate weighted GPA
- Output: Name, ID, list of courses, GPA shown in report page

▶ Function: Upload Completed Course

- Input: Student ID, Course ID
- Process: Move course from registered list to completed list
- Output: Confirmation dialog; UI refreshed with new completion status

GUI Screenshots & Descriptions

Each screenshot below corresponds to one of the major features in the Course Registration System. The interface is styled using modern black-themed QSS with rounded corners and hover effects.

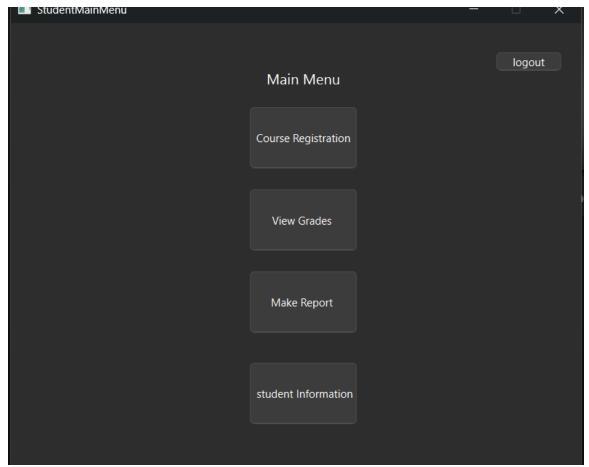
Login Page



Login and Registration entry point for users.

- Username and Password inputs with icons
- LOGIN and REGISTER buttons
- Modern dark mode with centered layout

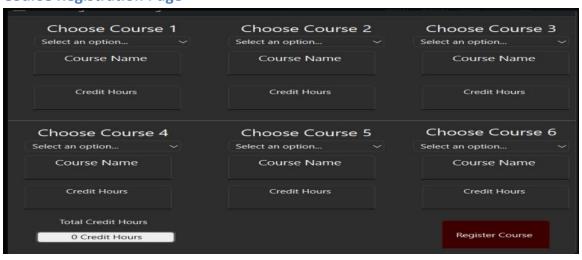
Student Main Menu



Main navigation menu after student login.

- Buttons: Course Registration, View Grades, Make Report, Student Info
- Styled layout with clean button design
- Logout button styled smaller for minimal intrusion

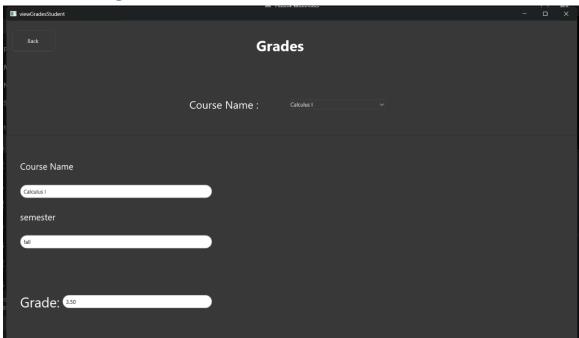
Course Registration Page



Allows students to register for up to six courses.

- Each course has a dropdown for selection
- Displays course name and credit hours
- Real-time credit hour counter
- Red hover Register button

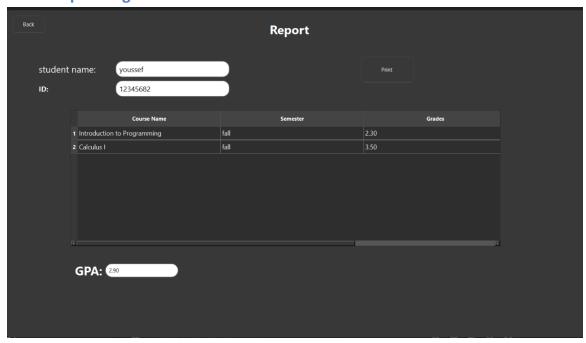
View Grades Page



View individual course grades by selecting from dropdown.

- Displays course name, semester, and grade
- Uses QLabel and QLineEdit for data display

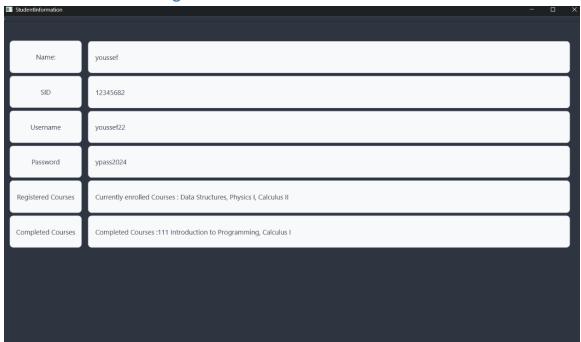
Make Report Page



Student can generate a full report with:

- Name, ID
- Completed courses with grades and semesters
- GPA calculation
- Printable format using table layout

Student Information Page



Overview of student profile and registration status.

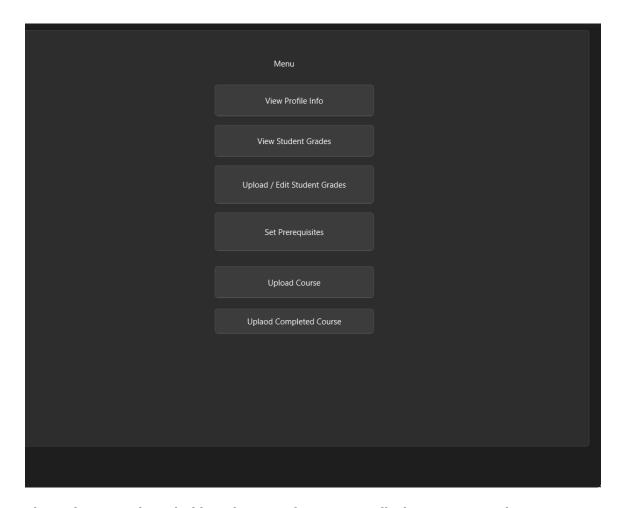
- Displays: Name, SID, Username, Password
- Registered and completed courses
- Light-on-dark theme using rows and columns for structure

Printable Text Report (CLI Format)

Terminal-style formatted student report.

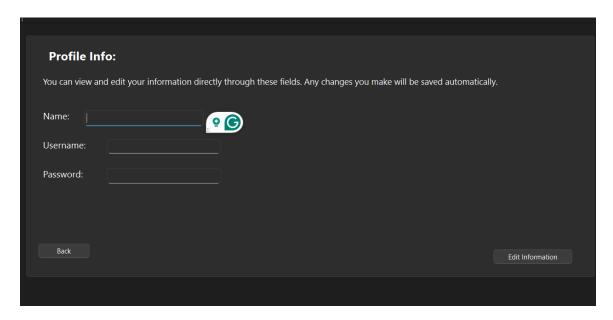
- Includes: Name, ID, GPA
- Course list with semester and grades in tabular format
- Useful for log files or printed plain-text output

Admin Menu



This is the main admin dashboard. It provides access to all administrative tasks:

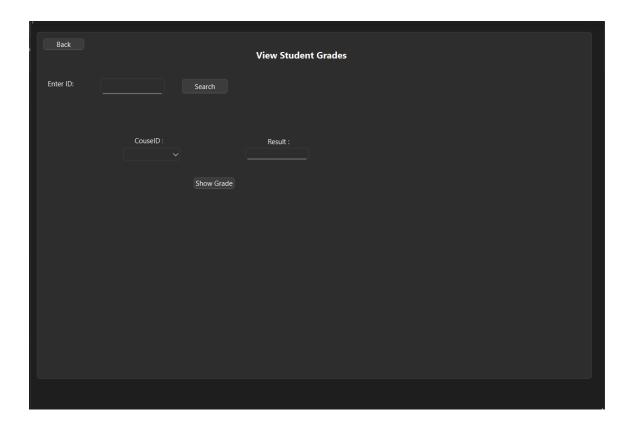
- View profile information
- View or edit student grades
- Set course prerequisites
- Upload courses or completed course records



This page allows the admin to:

- View their own name, username, and password
- Edit personal info
- Auto-saves changes as soon as edits are made

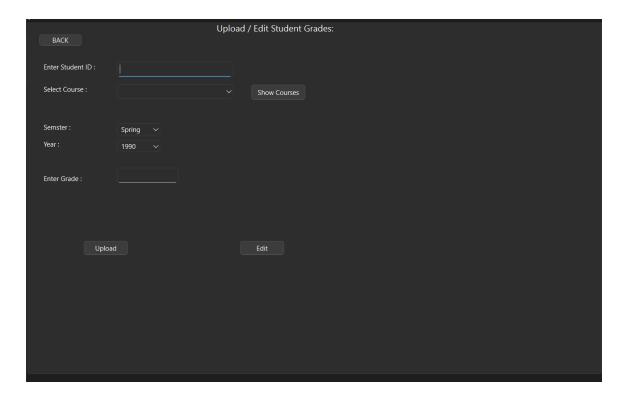
View Student Grades



This interface lets the admin:

- Search for a student by ID
- Select a course from a dropdown
- View the grade for that course

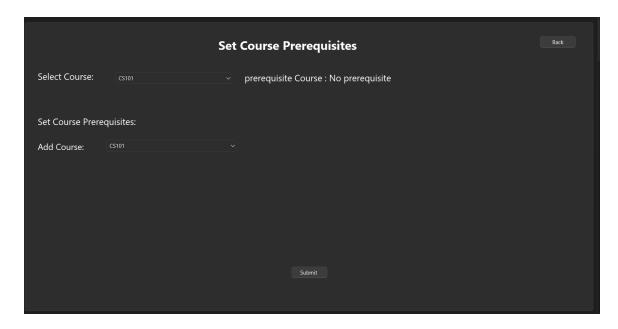
Upload / Edit Student Grades



Through this form, the admin can:

- Enter student ID
- Select course, semester, and year
- Enter grade and either upload or edit it

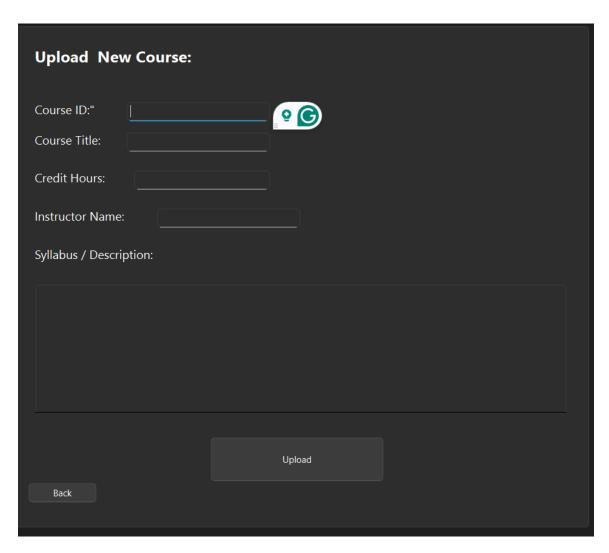
Set Course Prerequisites



This page allows the admin to:

- Choose a course
- Assign other courses as its prerequisites
- Prevents circular dependencies

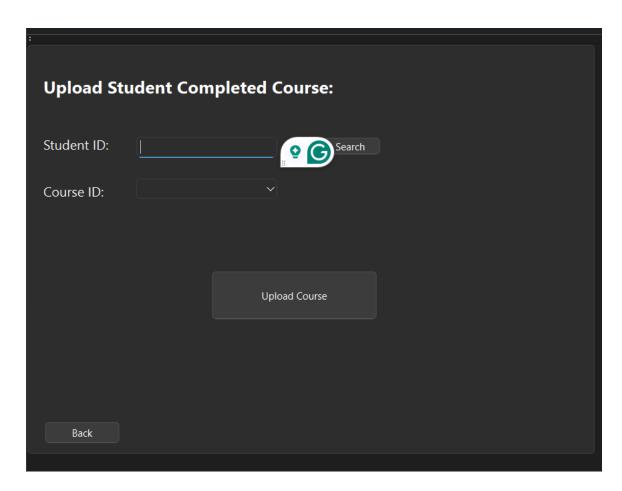
Upload Course Page



Admins can use this form to:

- Enter a new course's ID, name, credit hours, instructor, and description
- Upload it to the system

Upload Student Completed Course



This window enables:

- Searching a student by ID
- Selecting a course to mark as completed
- Clicking "Upload Course" finalizes the change