# **Exploring Pandas: Common Data Operations**

Welcome to this Jupyter Notebook! **1** In this notebook, you'll practice some of the most commonly used operations in the **Pandas** library using **two datasets**:

- 1. ../../data/students.csv (CSV)
- 2. ../../data/enrollments.json (JSON)

These files should be placed in the same folder as this notebook. By the end, you'll have a strong grasp of common data manipulation tasks, and you'll even merge these two datasets on a common key.

Before starting, make sure you have **Pandas** installed. (It should come preinstalled in Anaconda!)

If pandas is not installed, follow the instructions below.

## **Checking if Pandas is Installed in Your Conda Environment**

Before proceeding, check if Pandas is installed in your Conda environment by running the following command in a **Jupyter Notebook** cell:

```
In [33]: import pandas as pd
    print(pd.__version__)
    2.0.3
```

If this runs without errors and prints a version number, Pandas is installed. If you see an **ImportError**, install Pandas using one of the following methods:

### For Conda Users (Recommended)

Run this in your terminal or Anaconda Prompt:

```
conda install pandas
```

### **Using Conda-Forge (If Needed)**

If you encounter issues, you can install Pandas from Conda-Forge, a community-maintained repository with up-to-date packages:

```
conda install -c conda-forge pandas
```

### For Pip Users

If you're using a virtual environment outside Conda, install Pandas via Pip:

```
pip install pandas
```

### Now, let's dive in!



### 1. Load a CSV file into a Pandas DataFrame

First, let's **import Pandas** and load the datasets. Two datasets have been prepared for you:

- students.csv
- enrollments.json

You will use these two datasets for the following challenges.

🥊 Hint: If the file is in the same directory as your notebook, you can just use the filename. Otherwise, provide the full file path.

```
In [41]:
         import pandas as pd
         import numpy as np
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         import seaborn as sns
```

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```
In [43]:
          # Load students.csv
          students df = pd.read csv("../../data/students.csv")
          # Load enrollments.json
          enrollments df = pd.read json("../../data/enrollments.json")
          # Display the first few rows of both datasets
          print(students df.head())
          print(enrollments df.head())
            student id First Name last name
                                              Birthddate gender
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                STU001
                             John
                                         Doe
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                                                9/5/1997
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                STU005
                            Emily
                                       Smith
                                               7/30/2000
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                                     3.5
                                                john.doe@example.com
                                                                               -655.0
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                      2019
                                     3.8
                                          maria.gonzalez@example.com
                                                                               -656.0
         2
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                                     3.7
                                             priya.patel@example.com
                                                                               -657.0
         3
                                            alex.johnson@example.com
                                                                                  NaN
                      2018
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                                             emily.smith@example.com
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                                                                    Programming 101
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            ENR-STU005-CHEM110-IJ90
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                                                                  Organic Chemistry
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                                   2025/09/01
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                                   2026-01-15
 In [ ]:
 In [3]:
          # your code here
```

## 2. View the First and Last Few Rows of Each DataFrame

Check out how your data looks. One method previews the first few records, while another method previews the last few. You can specify the number of rows you want to see by explicitly passing an integer argument.

**Tip:** This is a great time to confirm that columns loaded correctly and to spot any obvious data issues (strange values, mismatched columns, etc.).

```
In [45]:
          print(students_df.head())
          print(enrollments df.head())
            student id First Name last name
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                                                                       World History
            ENR-STU005-CHEM110-IJ90
                                            STU005
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                                                                   Organic Chemistry
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```
In [47]:
          print(students df.tail())
          print(enrollments df.tail())
              student id First Name last name Birthddate gender
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              admission year
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                                             victoria.ortiz@example.com
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                                              julian.foster@example.com
                                                                                  -751.0
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                                               lucy.ramirez@example.com
                                                                                  -752.0
          101
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                                                 isaiah.kim@example.com
                                                                                  -753.0
          102
                                        3.3
                                               amelia.lopez@example.com
                         2020
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                 Concord
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                  Toledo
                                   USA
               St. Louis
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                 Orlando
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                  Prof. Brown
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          99
                               86
                                     2025-09-01
          100
                               67
                                     2023-09-01
          # your code here
 In [7]:
```

### 3. Check the Shape of Each DataFrame

To understand the  ${\bf size}$  of your dataset(s), use the attribute that returns (number\_of\_rows, number\_of\_columns).

**Tip:** Note any big differences in row counts that might affect merging later.

```
In [49]: print("Students DataFrame Shape:", students_df.shape)
print("Enrollments DataFrame Shape:", enrollments_df.shape)

Students DataFrame Shape: (103, 12)
Enrollments DataFrame Shape: (101, 11)
```

### 4. Get a Summary of Each DataFrame

Explore one or two approaches that provide:

- Column names
- Data types
- Basic statistics about numerical columns
- Number of non-null values

**Tip:** One approach might give an overview of columns and data types; another might summarize numerical columns. This step helps you detect columns that might need cleaning.

```
In [51]: print(students_df.info())
    print(enrollments_df.info())
```

In [53]:

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 103 entries, 0 to 102
Data columns (total 12 columns):
     Column
                     Non-Null Count Dtype
     -----
- - -
                     -----
                                      ----
                                      object
 0
     student id
                     103 non-null
 1
     First Name
                     103 non-null
                                      object
 2
     last name
                     103 non-null
                                      object
 3
     Birthddate
                     103 non-null
                                      object
 4
                     103 non-null
                                      object
     gender
 5
     majorField
                     102 non-null
                                      object
 6
                     103 non-null
     admission year
                                      object
 7
                     95 non-null
                                      float64
     current qpa
 8
     contact email
                     103 non-null
                                      object
 9
     mobile number
                     97 non-null
                                      float64
 10
    home city
                     103 non-null
                                      object
 11 HOME COUNTRY
                     103 non-null
                                      object
dtypes: float64(2), object(10)
memory usage: 9.8+ KB
None
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 101 entries, 0 to 100
Data columns (total 11 columns):
     Column
                        Non-Null Count
                                        Dtype
- - -
                        -----
     -----
                                         ----
 0
     enrollment id
                                        object
                        101 non-null
 1
     stud ref id
                        101 non-null
                                         object
 2
     subject code
                        101 non-null
                                         object
 3
     course title
                        101 non-null
                                         object
 4
     instructor name
                        101 non-null
                                         object
 5
     enroll count
                        101 non-null
                                         int64
 6
     term offered
                        101 non-null
                                         object
 7
     course fee
                        100 non-null
                                         object
 8
     final result
                        101 non-null
                                         object
 9
     attend percentage 101 non-null
                                         int64
 10 date enrolled
                        101 non-null
                                         object
dtypes: int64(2), object(9)
memory usage: 8.8+ KB
None
print(students df.describe())
print(enrollments df.describe())
```

```
current gpa
                    mobile number
count
         95.000000
                         97.000000
mean
          3.560000
                       -688.381443
std
          0.230817
                        150.548334
                       -754.000000
min
          3.100000
25%
          3.400000
                       -727.000000
50%
          3.600000
                       -703.000000
75%
          3.750000
                       -678.000000
          3.900000
                        753.000000
max
       enroll count
                      attend percentage
count
         101.000000
                             101.000000
mean
          28.653465
                              79.633663
           7.350423
                               6.009530
std
          25.000000
                              67.000000
min
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max
```

In [13]:

# your code here

### 5. Check for Missing Values

Determine if your dataset has any missing or null values by **counting** them. Notice which columns have many missing entries and plan how to handle them.

**Tip:** Some columns might look present but contain empty strings. Identify them if possible.

```
In [55]: print(students_df.isnull().sum())
    print(enrollments_df.isnull().sum())
```

In [16]: # your code here

```
student id
                            0
         First Name
                            0
         last name
                            0
                            0
         Birthddate
                            0
         gender
         majorField
                            1
         admission year
                            0
                            8
         current gpa
                            0
         contact email
         mobile number
                            6
                            0
         home city
         HOME COUNTRY
         dtype: int64
         enrollment id
         stud ref id
                               0
         subject code
                               0
         course title
                               0
         instructor name
         enroll count
         term offered
                               0
         course fee
                               1
         final result
         attend percentage
                               0
         date enrolled
         dtype: int64
In [15]:
         # your code here
```

### 6. Rename Columns for Clarity and Consistency

Some columns may have **spaces** or **capitalization** that complicates your analysis. For example, if you see "current gpa" or "First\_Name", consider renaming them (e.g., "current\_gpa", "first\_name") for ease of use.

**Tip:** Consistent naming conventions help minimize typos and KeyErrors.

```
In [57]: students_df.rename(columns={
        "First_Name": "first_name",
        "last_name": "last_name",
        "Birthddate": "birthdate",
        "current gpa": "current_gpa"
    }, inplace=True)
    print(students_df.head())
```

```
student_id first_name last_name
                                               birthdate gender
                                                                        majorField \
         0
                             John
                                                                 Computer Science
               STU001
                                        Doe
                                               4/12/1998
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                            Maria Gonzalez
                                                9/5/1997
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                STU004
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                STU005
                            Emily
                                      Smith
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                                                       contact email
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                                                john.doe@example.com
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                                             priya.patel@example.com
                      2021
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                                            alex.johnson@example.com
                      2018
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           home city HOME COUNTRY
               Tampa
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                         Australia
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         # your code here
In [19]:
         # your code here
In [20]:
         # your code here
```

### 7. Convert Data Types Where Needed

Check which columns should be numeric or datetime. Columns like admission\_year or course\_fee might be read as **strings** by default. Convert them to numerical or date formats if necessary.

**Tip:** Make sure you handle errors gracefully (e.g., set errors='coerce' to turn invalid entries into NaN).

```
# Convert admission year to numeric
In [103...
          students df["admission year"] = pd.to numeric(students df["admission year"],
          print(students df.dtypes) # ☑ Output the data types after conversion
         student id
                                    object
         first name
                                    object
         last name
                                    object
         birthdate
                            datetime64[ns]
         gender
                                    object
         majorField
                                    object
         admission year
                                    float64
         current_gpa
                                    float64
         contact email
                                    object
         home city
                                    object
         HOME COUNTRY
                                    object
         full name
                                    object
         dtype: object
```

```
# Convert birthdate to datetime
In [105...
         students df["birthdate"] = pd.to datetime(students df["birthdate"], errors=
         print(students df.head()) # 🗾 Output first few rows to verify changes
           student id first name last name birthdate gender
                                                                     majorField \
               STU001
                            John
                                       Doe 1998-04-12
                                                            M Computer Science
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               STU002
                           Maria Gonzalez 1997-09-05
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                                                john.doe@example.com
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                                         maria.gonzalez@example.com
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                                            priya.patel@example.com
                                                                        Mumbai
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                                            alex.johnson@example.com
                                                                        Sydney
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                               John Doe
                    USA
         1
                     UK Maria Gonzalez
         2
                  India
                           Priya Patel
         3
              Australia
                           Alex Johnson
                    USA
                            Emily Smith
```

### 8. Fill Missing Values with a Specified Value or Method

Instead of **dropping** missing values, consider **replacing** them. For instance:

- A string like "Unknown" for missing text
- A mean or median for missing numeric columns
- A forward or backward fill if appropriate

```
student id
                   0
first name
                   0
last name
                   0
birthdate
                   1
gender
majorField
admission year
                   1
                   0
current gpa
contact email
home city
HOME COUNTRY
                   0
                   0
full name
dtype: int64
```

## 9. Drop Rows or Columns with Missing Values (If Needed)

After considering which values can be filled, you might choose to **remove** rows or columns that are missing too much data or can't be fixed.

**Tip:** Decide carefully and confirm you don't need the dropped information. Use inplace=True or keep a separate DataFrame if you want to preserve the original data.

### 10. Filter Rows Based on a Condition

Now that columns like admission\_year and course\_fee (or current\_gpa) are numeric, experiment with filtering. For example:

- Students whose admission year is after a certain date
- Enrollments for Spring 2026

```
In [83]: recent_students = students_df[students_df["admission_year"] > 2020]
print(recent_students.head())
```

```
student id first name last name birthdate gender
                                                                        majorField \
         2
                             Priya
                 STU003
                                        Patel 1999-01-23
                                                                       Engineering
                                                              F
         4
                 STU005
                             Emily
                                        Smith 2000-07-30
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                            Robert
                                        Brown 1995-03-20
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                                               priya.patel@example.com
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                                              robert.brown@example.com Los Angeles
                      2023.0
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                                              sophia.lopez@example.com
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                   Canada
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In [34]:
In [35]:
         # your code here
```

### 11. Select Specific Columns from Each DataFrame

Often, you don't need all columns at once. For instance, you might extract only:

- "student\_id", "First\_Name", "last\_name", and "current\_gpa" from students.csv
- "stud\_ref\_id", "course\_title", "instructor\_name", "course\_fee" from enrollments.json

```
students subset = students df[["student id", "first name", "last name", "cur
In [85]:
         print(students subset.head())
           student id first name last name
                                             current gpa
                STU001
                             John
                                        Doe
                                                      3.5
         1
                STU002
                            Maria Gonzalez
                                                      3.8
         2
                STU003
                            Priya
                                      Patel
                                                      3.7
         3
                STU004
                             Alex
                                                      3.2
                                    Johnson
               STU005
                            Emily
                                      Smith
                                                      3.9
        # your code here
In [37]:
In [38]:
         # your code here
In [39]: # your code here
```

### 12. Sort the DataFrame by One or More Columns

Sorting can help you identify which records have the highest or lowest values. For example:

- Sort the students DataFrame by "current\_gpa" in descending order
- Sort the enrollments DataFrame by "course\_fee" in ascending order
- **Tip:** You can sort by multiple columns if needed.

```
In [87]:
         sorted students = students df.sort values(by="current gpa", ascending=False)
         print(sorted students.head())
            student id first name last name birthdate gender
                                                                 majorField \
         31
                STU032
                            Grace
                                      Moore 1996-02-28
                                                                Mathematics
         68
                STU066
                         Victoria
                                      Morris 1997-02-02
                                                             F
                                                                  Chemistry
                                                             F
         84
                STU082
                           Aurora
                                      Rivera 1997-06-18
                                                                  Chemistry
         92
                            Molly
                                      Barnes 1997-02-26
                                                             F
                STU090
                                                                  Chemistry
                          Natalie
         76
                STU074
                                        Ross 1997-10-10
                                                             F
                                                                  Chemistry
             admission year current gpa
                                                         contact email
                                                                           home city
         31
                     2020.0
                                      3.9
                                               grace.moore@example.com
                                                                            San Jose
         68
                     2019.0
                                      3.9 victoria.morris@example.com
                                                                             Modesto
                                      3.9
                                             aurora.rivera@example.com
                                                                         Chula Vista
         84
                     2019.0
         92
                                              molly.barnes@example.com Grand Rapids
                                      3.9
                     2019.0
         76
                     2019.0
                                      3.9
                                              natalie.ross@example.com
                                                                             Fontana
            HOME COUNTRY
         31
                     USA
         68
                     USA
         84
                     USA
         92
                     USA
         76
                     USA
In [41]:
         # your code here
         # your code here
In [42]:
In [43]:
         # your code here
```

## 13. Group Data by a Column and Compute Aggregate Functions

Grouping lets you see aggregated info by category. For example, group **students** by "majorField" and compute the average "current\_gpa". In **enrollments**, group by "instructor\_name" and compute the average "course\_fee".

Tip: Aggregations might include .mean(), .sum(), .count(), etc.

```
In [89]:
         gpa by major = students df.groupby("majorField")["current gpa"].mean()
         print(gpa by major)
         majorField
                             3.515385
         Biology
         Chemistry
                             3.850000
         Computer Science
                             3.458462
         Economics
                             3.313333
         Engineering
                             3.563077
         History
                             3.398333
         Mathematics
                             3.632857
         Physics
                             3.753846
         Unknown
                             3.300000
         Name: current_gpa, dtype: float64
In [45]: # your code here
In [46]: # your code here
In [47]: # your code here
```

### 14. Apply a Custom Function

Define a normal Python function to transform data in a column. For example, title-case a name or uppercase a field. Apply that function to each element in the column.

**Tip:** If your function references another library call or has complex logic, define it above and then use .apply(...) with your function name. Once you've done this, see if you do this using lamda notation.

### 15. Create a New Column Based on Existing Ones

Use existing columns to generate new ones. For instance, combine "First\_Name" and "last\_name" into "full\_name", or compute "fees\_after\_tax" in enrollments if you assume a tax rate.

```
In [93]:
         merged df = students df.merge(enrollments df, left on="student id", right or
         print(merged df.head())
           student id first name last name birthdate gender
                                                                       majorField \
                STU001
                             John
                                        Doe 1998-04-12
                                                             Μ
                                                                 Computer Science
         1
                STU002
                            Maria Gonzalez 1997-09-05
                                                              F
                                                                          Biology
         2
                                       Patel 1999-01-23
                                                             F
                STU003
                            Priya
                                                                      Engineering
         3
                STU004
                             Alex
                                    Johnson 1996-12-15
                                                             Μ
                                                                      Mathematics
         4
                STU004
                             Alex
                                    Johnson 1996-12-15
                                                                      Mathematics
            admission_year current_gpa
                                                        contact_email home_city
         0
                     2020.0
                                      3.5
                                                 john.doe@example.com
                                                                           Tampa
         1
                     2019.0
                                      3.8
                                           maria.gonzalez@example.com
                                                                          London
         2
                                              priya.patel@example.com
                     2021.0
                                     3.7
                                                                          Mumbai
         3
                     2018.0
                                     3.2
                                             alex.johnson@example.com
                                                                          Sydney
         4
                     2018.0
                                      3.2
                                             alex.johnson@example.com
                                                                          Sydney
           stud_ref_id subject code
                                                course_title instructor_name \
                 STU001
                             MATH101
                                                  Calculus I
                                                                    Dr. Smith
         1
                 STU002
                              ENG201
                                          English Literature
                                                                  Prof. Brown
         2
                 STU003
                               CS301
                                             Programming 101
                                                                   Dr. Taylor
         3
                 STU004
                             HIST105
                                               World History
                                                                      Dr. Lee
         4
                 STU004
                             HIST999
                                      Ancient Civilizations
                                                                  Prof. Brown
           enroll count term offered course fee
                                                  final result attend percentage \
                      25
                          Spring 2026
                                             1000
                                                                                71
                                                               Α
                                                               В
         1
                      26
                            Fall 2025
                                             1100
                                                                                72
         2
                                                                                73
                      27
                          Spring 2026
                                             1200
                                                              C+
         3
                            Fall 2025
                                                                                74
                      28
                                             1300
                                                              B+
         4
                      99
                            Fall 2023
                                                                                67
                                              NaN
           date enrolled
               2026/01/15
         1
               2025-09-01
         2
               2026/01/15
         3
               2025/09/01
               2023-09-01
          [5 rows x 23 columns]
In [53]: # your code here
In [54]:
         # your code here
In [55]:
         # your code here
```

## 16. Merge Two DataFrames on a Common Column

Combine students.csv and enrollments.json by matching:

- stu["student\_id"]
- enr["stud ref id"] (or rename it first)

Check the shape of the merged DataFrame afterward to ensure it merged as expected.

```
In [95]: merged_df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
In [57]: # your code here
In [58]: # your code here
In [59]: # your code here
```

### 17. Remove Duplicate Rows

When merging or concatenating multiple files, duplicates can crop up. Identify them and remove if needed. This might be especially important if the same student or enrollment is listed more than once.

### 18. Additional Data Cleaning

Now that you've merged or manipulated your data, do a quick final pass:

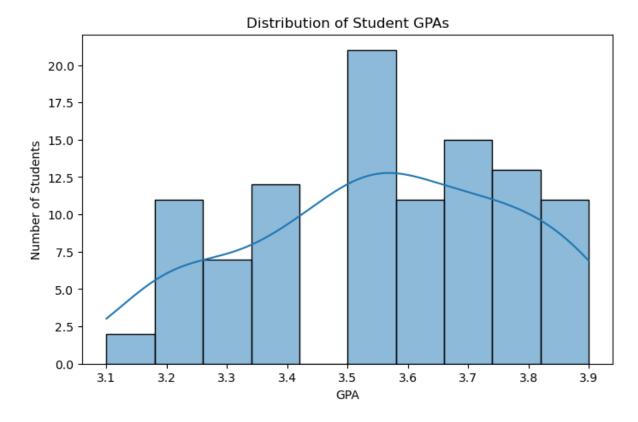
- Fix any remaining oddities (e.g., negative phone numbers or impossible dates)
- Normalize columns further (e.g., standardize text formatting)
- **Tip:** You might revisit previous steps if new issues appear.

```
In [121... merged_df.to_csv("../../data/cleaned_students_data.csv", index=False)
In [65]: # your code here
In [66]: # your code here
In [67]: # your code here
```

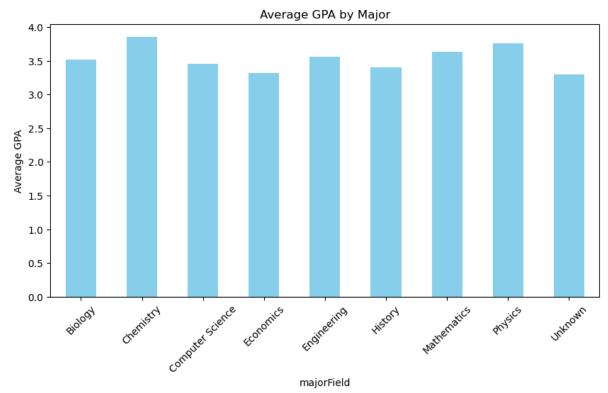
## 19. Save the Cleaned and Merged DataFrame to a New CSV File

Finally, when you're satisfied with your cleaned data, save it. Remember to avoid writing the index as a separate column unless you want it.

```
In [123... plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
    sns.histplot(students_df["current_gpa"], bins=10, kde=True)
    plt.xlabel("GPA")
    plt.ylabel("Number of Students")
    plt.title("Distribution of Student GPAs")
    plt.show()
```







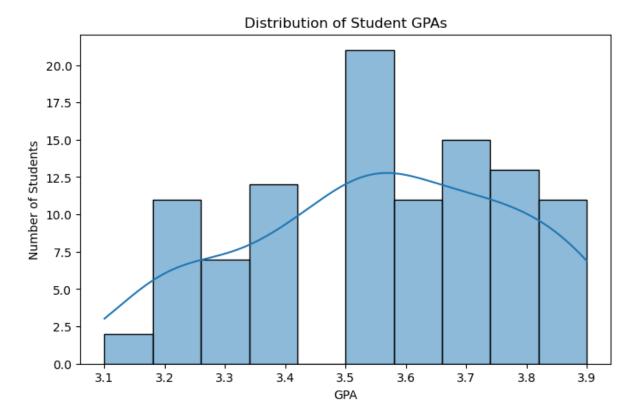
```
In [70]: # your code here
In [71]: # your code here
```

### 20. Explore Further Analyses (Optional)

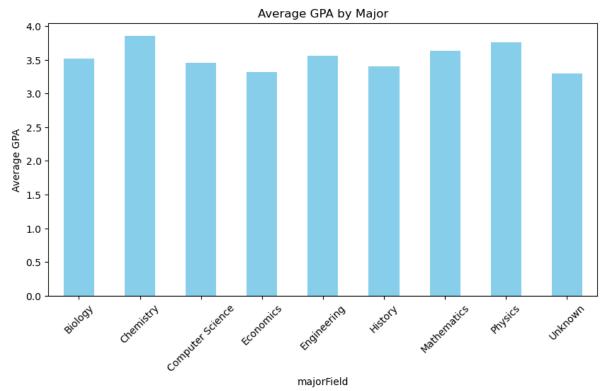
Now that your data is in great shape, try some optional challenges:

- · Generate charts or visualizations
- · Perform advanced filtering or grouping
- Create pivot tables
- · Or anything else that interests you!

```
In [145... print(students df["current gpa"].head()) # 🗹 Ensure column exists and is n
              3.5
         1
              3.8
         2
              3.7
         3
              3.2
              3.9
         Name: current_gpa, dtype: float64
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
In [147...
         import seaborn as sns
         plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
         sns.histplot(students df["current gpa"].dropna(), bins=10, kde=True) # 🗹 D
         plt.xlabel("GPA")
         plt.ylabel("Number of Students")
         plt.title("Distribution of Student GPAs")
         plt.show()
```







In [75]:	# your code here
	Congratulations! You've now tackled data cleaning and many essential Pandas operations in students.csv and enrollments.json. Keep experimenting to sharpen your data manipulation skills and unlock deeper insights!
In [ ]:	
In [ ]:	