# **Educational Organisation Management System Using ServiceNow**

#### 1. Introduction

This report presents a comprehensive overview of the development of an Educational Organisation Management System using the ServiceNow platform. The goal of the project is to design and implement a solution that helps institutions manage their student records, admissions, and administrative processes efficiently and with minimal manual intervention. By leveraging the power of ServiceNow's low-code development environment, we have built a fully functional application with automated workflows, structured data tables, custom UI components, and interactive forms.

# **Project Objectives**

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#### ServiceNow Overview

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o begin working with ServiceNow, a Personal Developer Instance (PDI) must be set up from the ServiceNow Developer Portal. The following steps were followed to configure the development environment:

## Step 1: Register for a Developer Account

Visit the official website: https://developer.servicenow.com

Sign up or log in with your credentials.

Accept the Developer Agreement.

## Step 2: Request a Personal Developer Instance

After logging in, go to the "Manage" tab.

Click Request Instance.

Select the latest ServiceNow release (e.g., Washington DC, Utah).

Choose the "Start Instance" button.

Wait for the instance URL and credentials (e.g., https://dev12345.service-now.com).

#### **Step 3: Access and Log Into the Instance**

Open the instance URL in your browser.

Use the provided username and password to log in (usually admin / auto-generated password).

Change your password upon first login.

#### **Step 4: Navigate the ServiceNow Interface**

Use the Application Navigator (left sidebar) to access:

Studio

Tables

**Update Sets** 

Form Designer

Flow DesignerUse the filter box to quickly search and access modules (e.g., type "Tables" to access System Definition > Tables).

## **Step 5: Enable Developer Options**

Go to System Settings (gear icon top-right).

Enable Show Application Picker, Form Design, and Update Set Picker for better control.

# **Creating Update Sets**

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# **Step 1: Navigate to Update Sets**

Go to the Application Navigator

Type: Local Update Sets

Path: System Update Sets > Local Update Sets

#### **Step 2: Create a New Update Set**

Click on New

Fill in the following details:

Name: Educational Organisation Update Set

Application: Choose your custom application (e.g., Educational Organisation)

State: Set as In Progress

Description: "Tracks all configuration changes for student and admission management system"

# Step 3: Mark Update Set as Current

Open the newly created update set

Click Make This My Current Set (top-right)

This ensures all your changes are recorded under this update set

# **Step 4: Perform Your Development Tasks**

All changes made now (e.g., creating tables, forms, scripts) will be captured automatically in this update set.

# **Step 5: Review and Close the Update Set**

Once development is complete:

Change State to Complete

Click Export to XML to download the update set

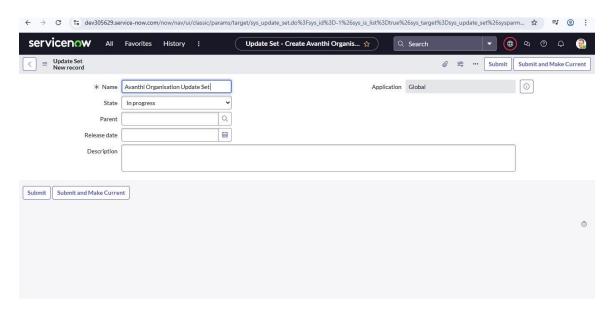
# Step 6: Import to Another Instance

On another instance, go to:

System Update Sets > Retrieved Update Sets

Upload the XML file

Preview and Commit it



#### **Table Creation and Custom Fields**

This section discusses table creation and custom fields in detail. It includes definitions, examples, and step-by-step procedures as followed during the development of the Educational Organisation Management System. Each step was carefully planned and executed to ensure consistency and reliability across all modules. The implementation approach not only follows ServiceNow best practices but also aligns with user requirements and business needs. Documentation, testing, and iterative improvement were part of every stage of the project lifecycle.

#### Steps to Create a Table and Add Fields:

## **Step 1: Navigate to Table Creation**

Go to Studio from the Application Navigator.

Select your custom application (e.g., Educational Organisation).

Click on Create Application File > Data Model > Table.

# **Step 2: Define Table Properties**

Label: e.g., Student Progress

**Name:** auto-generated as u\_student\_progress

#### Check the boxes to:

Automatically create a module

Add application scope prefix (u\_)

Create access controls

# **Step 3: Add Custom Fields**

Click Add Field.

# Define:

Field Label (e.g., "Student Name")

Field Type (e.g., String, Date, Choice, Reference)

Add optional Default Value, Choices, or Reference Table as needed.

# **Step 4: Save and Verify**

Save the table.

Navigate to the newly created module under the application to view and add sample records.

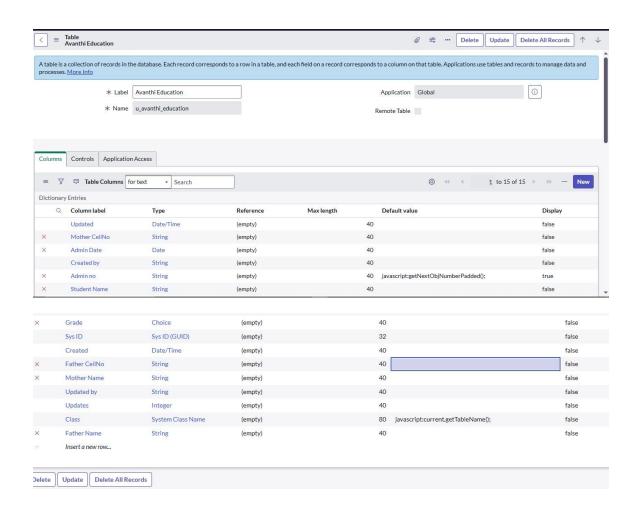
#### **Tables Created:**

# 1.Avanthi Education (u\_avanthi\_education):

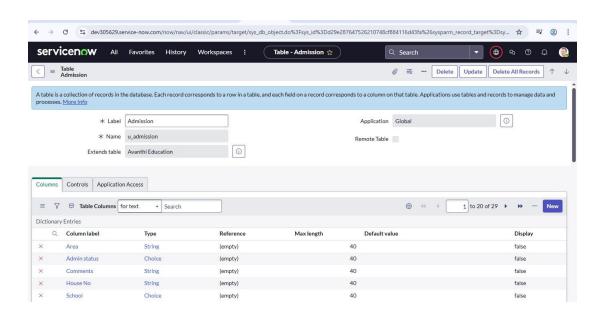
Example: Student Name

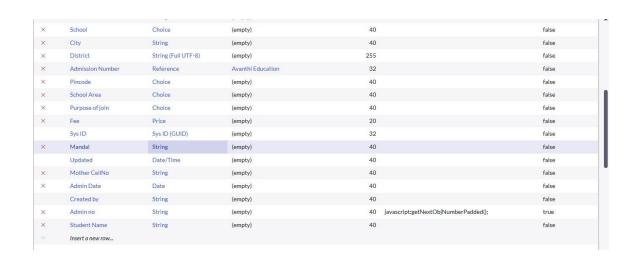
Admission Number

Admin Date etc.

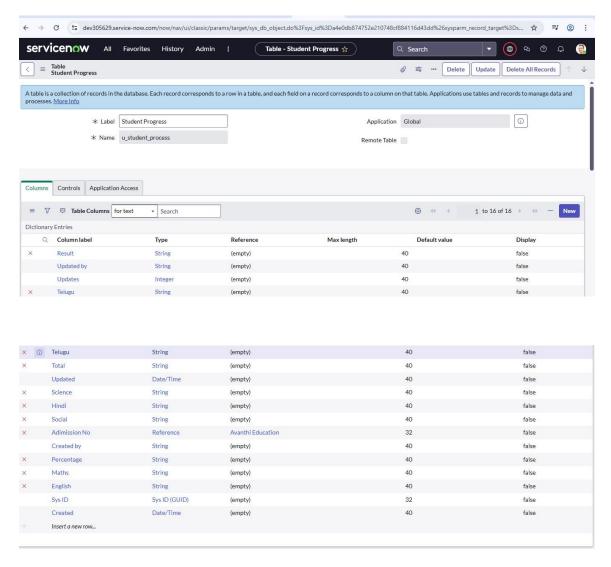


# 2.Admission (u\_admission):





# 3.Student Progress (u\_student\_progress):



# Form Design and Layout Customization

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# **Purpose of Form Design:**

Enhance user interface and readability

Group related fields using sections or tabs

Simplify data entry and avoid clutter

Improve workflow visibility (e.g., using Flow Formatter)

# **Steps for Customizing Form Layout:**

# Step 1: Navigate to Form Layout

Go to Application Navigator

Search for and open the desired table (e.g., Student)

Open any record, then right-click the header > Configure > Form Layout

#### **Step 2: Rearranging Fields**

Use the Form Layout interface to:

Move fields between "Selected" and "Available"

Change field order using drag-and-drop

Create sections for grouped fields (e.g., Student Details, Contact Info, Parent Details)

#### **Step 3: Add New Sections**

Click "Add Section" to insert a new logical group of fields

Name sections clearly (e.g., "School Details", "Admission Info")

Assign related fields under each section

#### **Using Form Designer for Visual Customization:**

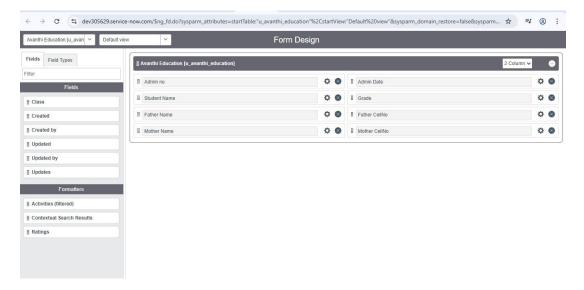
**Step 1: Open Form Designer:** Navigate to the table → Open any record → Right-click header → Configure > Form Design

# **Step 2: Arrange Fields Visually**

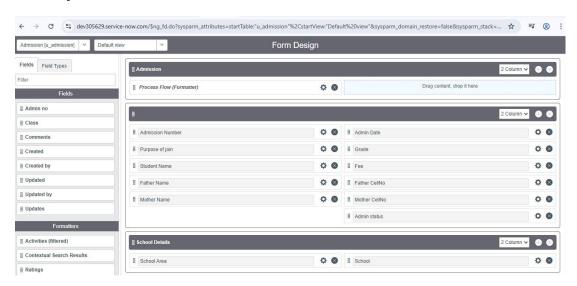
Drag and drop fields from the left panel onto the canvas, Create multiple columns, tabs, or split views for better structure, Drag sections and reorder them for improved flow

# Step 3: Add Widgets (Optional)

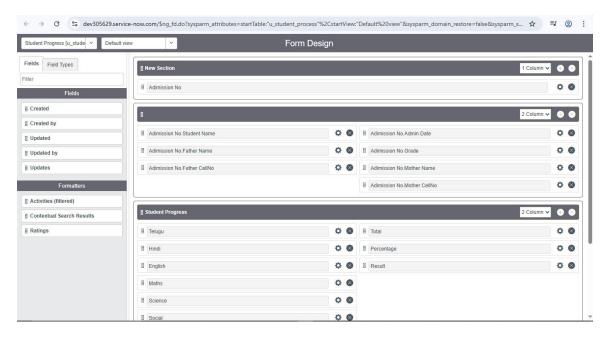
## **Example: Form Layout for Avanthi Education**



#### Form layout for Admission:



#### Form layout for Student Progress:



# **Admission Status Flow Using Flow Formatter**

This section discusses admission status flow using flow formatter in detail. It includes definitions, examples, and step-by-step procedures as followed during the development of the Educational Organisation Management System. Each step was carefully planned and executed to ensure consistency and reliability across all modules. The implementation approach not only follows ServiceNow best practices but also aligns with user requirements and business needs. Documentation, testing, and iterative improvement were part of every stage of the project lifecycle.

#### **Purpose of the Flow Formatter:**

Visually show progress through stages like: New  $\rightarrow$  In Progress  $\rightarrow$  Joined

Improve form usability and user understanding

Reduce the chance of incorrect or skipped status updates

Support clear process visualization for administrators

## **Statuses Represented in the Flow:**

The following choice values were configured in the Admission Status field (Choice field in u\_admission table):

- 1. New Application has been received
- **2. In Progress** Under review or document verification ongoing
- **3. Joined** Student has joined successfully
- **4. Rejoined** Re-admission for the same student
- **5. Rejected** Application not accepted
- **6. Cancelled** Admission process cancelled
- **7. Closed** Case closed (after joining or rejection)

These values were arranged in logical order and used in the flow formatter for tracking.

# **Steps to Add and Configure Flow Formatter:**

# Step 1: Add Flow Formatter to the Form

Navigate to Form Layout or Form Design for the Admission table

In the Form Layout, add the Flow Formatter field

In Form Design, drag and drop Flow Formatter into the top of the form

#### **Step 2: Set up Flow Formatter Options:**

Right-click the form header → Configure > Dictionary on the Flow Formatter field

Set the following:

**Type:** Flow Formatter

Formatter: Formatter\_flow\_formatter

Flow type field: Leave blank

**Status field:** Select the field Admission Status

#### **Step 3: Save and Test**

Save changes and return to the form

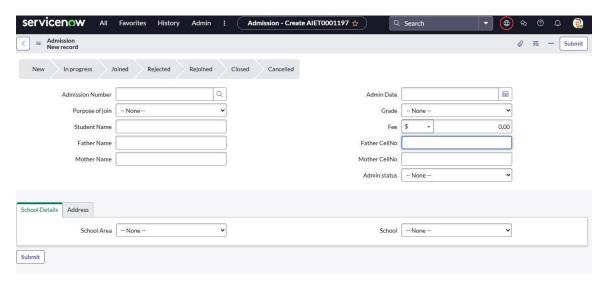
Add or edit a record to verify if the visual flow appears and updates as per status changes

#### **Example Flow (Displayed at the Top of the Form):**

New  $\rightarrow$  In Progress  $\rightarrow$  Joined  $\rightarrow$  Closed



## Rejected Rejoined Cancelled



# **Using Choice Fields for Status**

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#### Purpose of Using a Choice Field:

Restricts input to defined values (avoids spelling mistakes and inconsistencies)

Helps automate workflows based on selected values

Supports conditional logic through UI Policies and Flow Designer

Makes form data easy to filter and report on

Steps to Create a Choice Field in ServiceNow

#### **Step 1: Open the Admission Table**

Navigate to System Definition > Tables

Search for and open the table u\_admission

#### Step 2: Add a New Field

Scroll to the Columns section

Click New

Enter the following:

Column Label: Admission Status

**Column Name**: admission\_status

**Type:** Choice

# **Step 3: Define Choice Values**

In the Choice field settings, add each of the statuses:

New

In Progress

Joined

Rejoined

Rejected

Cancelled

Closed

Set one as the default value (e.g., New)

# **Example of Status Flow (Choice Values):**

 $New \rightarrow In \ Progress \rightarrow Joined \rightarrow Closed$ 

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Rejected Rejoined Cancelled

# **Client Scripts and UI Policies**

This section discusses client scripts and ui policies in detail. It includes definitions, examples, and step-by-step procedures as followed during the development of the Educational Organisation Management System. Each step was carefully planned and executed to ensure consistency and reliability across all modules. The implementation approach not only follows ServiceNow best practices but also aligns with user requirements

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# **Purpose of Client Scripts and UI policies:**

Improve the user experience by dynamically changing form behaviour

Enforce field-level validations

Reduce manual calculations and human error

Simplify data entry process

## **Client Scripts:**

A script that runs in the browser when the form is loaded, changed, or submitted.

# **Example Used in This Project:**

Script Name: Get Student name with Admission Number

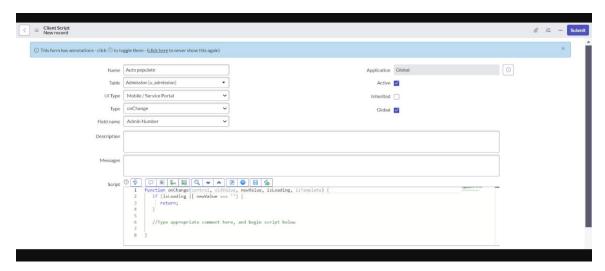
**Table:** Admission(u\_admission)

**Type:** onChange

Field: Admission No

# **Examples of Client scripts with codes:**

## 1.Admission:



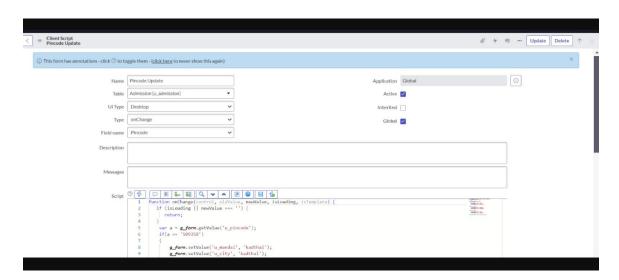
var a = g\_form.getReference('u\_admission\_number');

g\_form.setValue('u\_admin\_date',a.u\_admin\_date);

g\_form.setValue('u\_grade',a.u\_grade);

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g_form.setValue('u_student_name',a.u_student_name);
g_form.setValue('u_father_name',a.u_father_name);
g_form.setValue('u_mother_name',a.u_mother_name);
g_form.setValue('u_father_cell',a.u_father_cell);
g_form.setValue('u_mother_cell',a.u_mother_cell);
g_form.setDisabled('u_admin_date',a.u_admin_date);
g_form.setDisabled('u_grade',a.u_grade);
g_form.setDisabled('u_student_name',a.u_student_name);
g_form.setDisabled('u_father_name',a.u_father_name);
g_form.setDisabled('u_mother_name',a.u_mother_name);
g_form.setDisabled('u_father_cell',a.u_father_cellNo);
g_form.setDisabled('u_mother_cell',a.u_mother_cellNo);
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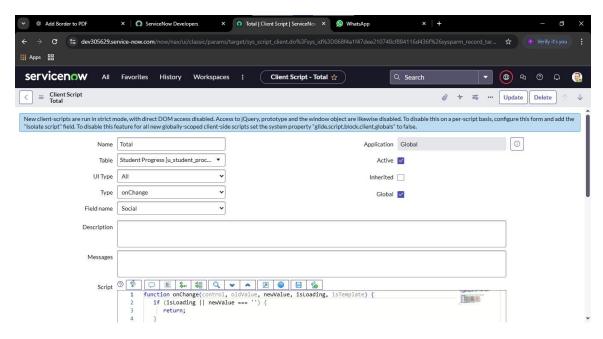
## 2.Pincode:



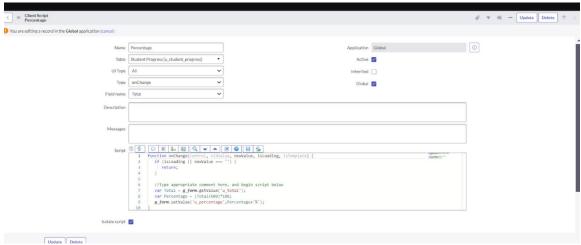
function onChange(control, oldValue, newValue, isLoading, isTemplate) {
 if (isLoading || newValue === '') {
 return;

```
var a = g_form.getValue('u_pincode');
 if(x == '535547')
g_form.setValue('u_village', 'Tallavalasa');
g_form.setValue('u_mandal', 'Thagarapuvalasa');
g_form.setValue('u_city', 'Visakhapatanam');
g_form.setValue('u_district', ' Visakhapatanam ');
}
else if(x == '530027')
{
g_form.setValue('u_mandal', 'Bobbili');
g_form.setValue('u_city', 'Parvathipuram');
g_form.setValue('u_district', 'Vizianagaram');
}
else if(x == '535527')
{
g_form.setValue('u_mandal', 'Kancherapalem');
g_form.setValue('u_city', 'Narsipatnam');
g_form.setValue('u_district', 'East Godavari');
}
3.Total:
function on Change (control, old Value, new Value, is Loading, is Template) {
 if (isLoading || newValue === '') {
   return;
 }
```

```
if (newValue){
  var t = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_telugu'));
  var h = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_hindi'));
  var = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_english'));
  var d = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_maths'));
  var e = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_science'));
  var f = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_science'));
  var Total = parseInt(a+b+c+d+e+f);
  g_form.setValue('u_total', Total);
}}
```



# 4.Percentage:

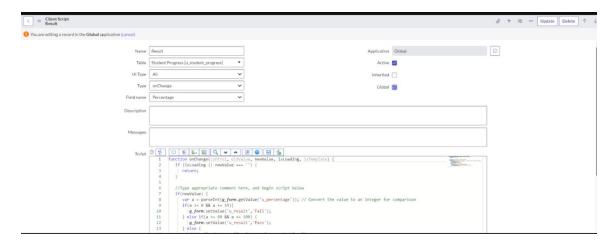


function on Change (control, old Value, new Value, is Loading, is Template) {

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if (isLoading || newValue === ") {
    return;
}

//Type appropriate comment here, and begin script below
var Total = g_form.getValue('u_total');
var Percentage = (Total/600)*100;
g_form.setValue('u_percentage',Percentage+'%');
}
```

#### 5.Result:



```
function on Change (control, old Value, new Value, is Loading, is Template) {
 if (isLoading || newValue === ") {
   return:
 //Type appropriate comment here, and begin script below
 if(newValue) {
var a = parseInt(g_form.getValue('u_percentage')); // Convert the value to an integer for
comparison
if(a \ge 0 \&\& a \le 59){
    g_form.setValue('u_result','Fail');
   ext{less if (a >= 60 \&\& a <= 100) {}}
    g_form.setValue('u_result','Pass');
   }
else {
    // Handle the case if a is out of range (optional)
    g_form.addErrorMessage('Percentage should be between 0 and 100.');
    g_form.clearValue('u_result');
```

#### **UI Policies:**

A no-code rule to show/hide, make mandatory, or read-only a field based on conditions.

# **Example Used in This Project:**

**Policy Name:** Show "Reason for Rejection" if Admission Status = Rejected

**Table:** Admission (u\_admission)

**Condition:** Admission Status is Rejected

#### Actions:

Show the field Reason for Rejection

Make it mandatory

# **Flow Designer and Automation**

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## Purpose of Flow Designer:

Automate repetitive tasks and reduce manual errors

Trigger actions based on form submissions or field changes

Improve workflow efficiency and response time

Provide clear process logic using visual steps

#### **Key Flows Implemented in the Project:**

**Flow 1**: Notify Admin on Admission Status Change

Trigger: When a record in the Admission table is updated and the Admission Status field changes

#### **Actions:**

Look up the student's name from the reference field

Send an email to the admin with details like:

Student Name

Admission Number

**Updated Status** 

Date of change

Flow 2: Set Admission Date Automatically

Trigger: When a new admission record is created

#### **Actions:**

If the Admission Status is Joined, auto-populate Admission Date with the current date

Flow 3: Audit Logging

Trigger: On record update

#### Actions:

Log the status change into an audit table (custom or system)Helps in tracking when and who changed the status

## **Steps to Create a Flow in ServiceNow:**

- 1. Go to Flow Designer via Application Navigator
- 2. Click New > Flow
- 3. Enter flow name (e.g., "Admission Status Change Notification")
- 4. Choose a Trigger, such as "Record Updated" on u\_admission
- 5. Add Actions:

Log Activity

Send Email

**Update Record** 

6. Click Save and Activate the flow

# **Testing and Debugging**

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# **Objectives of Testing:**

Validate data accuracy in custom tables (Student and Admission)

Ensure automation flows (e.g., email notifications, field updates) execute correctly

Verify form behaviors (e.g., UI policies, client scripts) function as designed

Detect and fix logical or configuration errors

# **Testing Performed:**

#### 1. Form Field Functionality

Created test records for both Student and Admission tables\

Verified field validations (mandatory, read-only)

Checked calculated fields like Age from Date of Birth

# 2. Client Script and UI Policy Testing

Changed values to see if fields appeared, became mandatory, or were automatically calculated

For example, when Admission Status = Rejected, the Reason for Rejection field appeared and became required

# 3. Flow Testing via Flow Designer

Modified admission status to see if email notifications were sent

Tested if Admission Date auto-filled when status was Joined

Verified conditions and actions through execution logs

# **Debugging Tools and Techniques:**

# 1. System Logs

Navigated to System Logs > All to review:

Info logs

Warnings

**Errors** 

# 2. Script Debugger

Enabled Debug Client Script or Debug Business Rule from browser console or developer tools

Added gs.info() statements to print variable values and flow steps

#### 3. Flow Execution Details

Opened Flow Designer → Clicked on the flow → Viewed Execution History

Traced each step to ensure correct inputs and outputs

Fixes and Iterations

Fixed date format issues in DOB-to-Age script

Adjusted UI Policy conditions to handle empty values

Modified flow trigger conditions to avoid false positive

# **Exporting and Importing Update Sets**

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## **Purpose of Update Set Migration:**

Package and transport changes across instances

Maintain consistency in development, test, and production environments

Enable version control of customizations

Avoid manual re-creation of application elements

#### **Steps to Export an Update Set:**

#### **Step 1: Complete the Update Set**

Navigate to System Update Sets > Local Update Sets

Open the update set used for development (e.g., Educational Organisation Setup)

Ensure State = Complete

Click Close if the update set is not already closed

#### Step 2: Export to XML

Click Export to XML

A .xml file is downloaded containing all captured customizations

## **Steps to Import an Update Set:**

#### **Step 1: Navigate to Retrieved Update Sets**

On the target instance, go to System Update Sets > Retrieved Update Sets

Click Import Update Set from XML

Upload the previously exported XML file

#### **Step 2: Preview and Commit**

After import, open the update set

Click Preview Update Set to check for conflicts or errors

If no errors are found, click Commit Update Set to apply the changes

# **Important Notes:**

Only customizations (not data) are transferred through update sets

Always test on a staging instance before importing into production

Use naming conventions for update sets (e.g., edu\_org\_initial\_build)

Avoid capturing changes from multiple applications in a single update set

#### **Features Implemented and Technologies Used:**

This section summarizes the major functionalities developed as part of the Educational Organisation Management System project, and the technologies and platform features used to implement them. The system was developed using the ServiceNow platform, taking full advantage of its low-code capabilities, automation tools, and integration features.

#### **Features Implemented**

#### 1. Student Management

Capture and store personal, academic, and contact details of students

Auto-calculation of student age based on date of birth

## 2. Admission Tracking

Admission record creation and updates

Use of status field to track lifecycle stages (New, In Progress, Joined, etc.)

Flow Formatter for visualizing admission progress

#### 3. Status Flow Automation

Admission process visualized using Flow Formatter

Automatic updates and email notifications via Flow Designer

# 4. Dynamic Form Behavior

Client Scripts to automate field values (e.g., Age)

UI Policies to dynamically show/hide and validate fields (e.g., Rejection Reason)

#### **5. Custom Table Creation**

Two custom scoped tables (u\_student and u\_admission)

Reference field used for relationship between student and admission

## 6. Update Set Migration

Changes tracked through update sets

Exported from development and imported to target instance

## **Technologies and Tools Used:**

Technology / Tool - Purpose

**ServiceNow Platform -**Core development environment

Tables & Fields - Data structure definition

Form Designer Designing and arranging form layouts

Flow Designer Automating workflows and sending notifications

**UI Policies** - Dynamic form behavior (visibility, mandatory fields)

**Client Scripts** - Field value calculations and validation logic

**Flow Formatter** - Displaying admission process visually

**Update Sets** - Packaging and transporting changes across instances

**System Logs** - Debugging and tracing errors

Studio Unified development workspace for app components

# **Benefits of Using ServiceNow for This Project:**

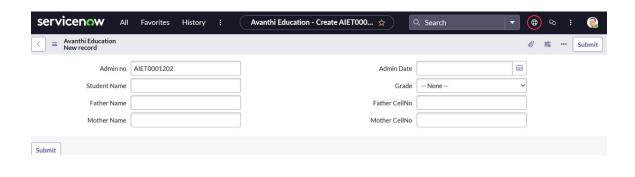
Rapid development with minimal coding

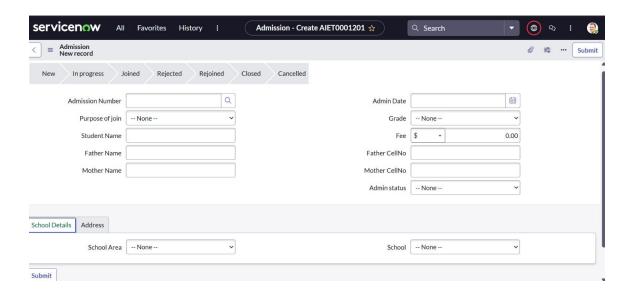
Easy form design and configuration

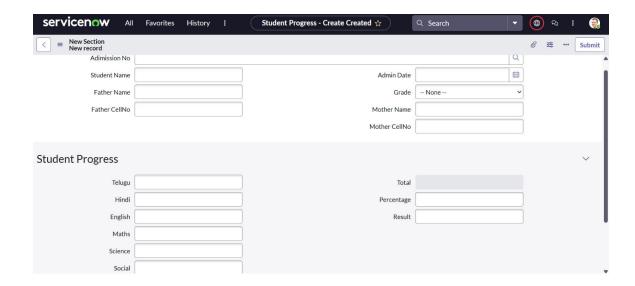
Strong integration and automation capabilities

Scalable and maintainable structure

# **Final Output:**







#### Conclusion

The "Educational Organisation Using ServiceNow" project successfully demonstrates how the ServiceNow platform can be utilized to design and manage key administrative functions within an educational institution. By creating custom tables, forms, workflows, and client scripts, we developed a streamlined system capable of handling student admissions, teacher data, and student performance tracking.

This project highlights the practical benefits of low-code/no-code development, showing how powerful enterprise solutions can be built rapidly using ServiceNow's suite of tools. The automation of admissions and student management not only reduces manual effort but also increases accuracy, traceability, and transparency in institutional processes.

Through this project, we gained valuable hands-on experience with ServiceNow's application development environment, including its update sets, flow designer, form customization, and scripting capabilities. This foundational knowledge sets the stage for further expansion of the system to include advanced features such as notifications, reporting, and portal integration in the future.

Ultimately, this project serves as a scalable and efficient model for modernizing educational management systems using ServiceNow.

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