## Phase 7

# Integration and external access

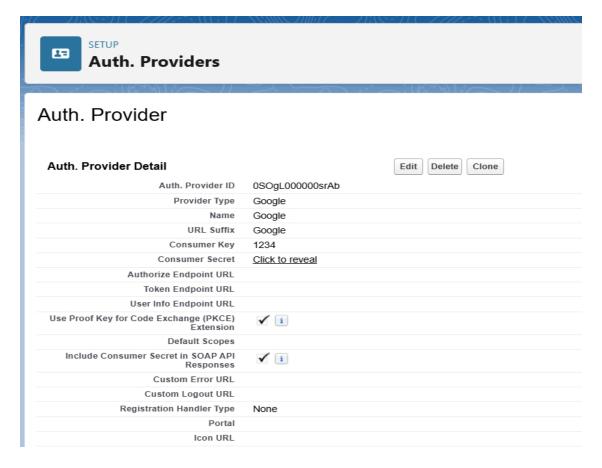
Goal: Connect the Institute Management System with external systems (payment gateways, university systems, library DBs, analytics) in a secure, maintainable way. Below are step-by-step instructions, configuration clicks, and small code examples you can copy into your org.

#### 1) Named Credential — store external API credentials securely

Why: avoid hard-coding endpoints/credentials; simplifies callouts and OAuth.

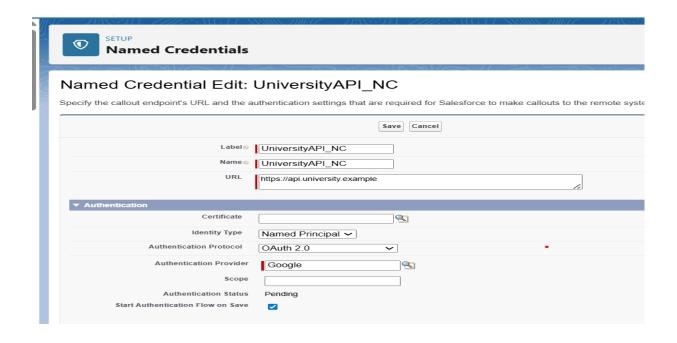
#### Steps

- 1. If using OAuth: create an Auth. Provider first
  - Setup → Auth. Providers → New → choose provider (Google, OpenID Connect, etc.) → fill client id/secret → Save.



- 2. Setup  $\rightarrow$  Named Credentials  $\rightarrow$  New Named Credential.
  - o Label / Name: UniversityAPI NC
  - URL: https://api.university.example (base)
  - o Identity Type: Named Principal (or Per User if required)
  - o Authentication Protocol: OAuth 2.0 (pick Auth. Provider) or Password Authentication
  - o Save.

Usage: Apex callouts use callout: University API NC/endpoint/path.



#### 2) External Services — connect OpenAPI (no code flows)

Why: expose external REST endpoints as Actions in Flow/Process Builder without hand-coding.

#### Steps

- 1. Get an OpenAPI (Swagger) JSON/YAML for the external API.
- 2. Setup  $\rightarrow$  External Services  $\rightarrow$  New External Service.
  - o Provide Named Credential (created above) and upload the OpenAPI spec.
- 3. Once registered, the External Service actions appear in Flow as Apex Actions you can drag them into a Flow and call external operations.

#### 3) Web Services (REST/SOAP) callouts from Apex

Why: verify insurance, call payment gateway, sync student data.

#### **Steps**

- 1. Create Named Credential (preferred) or Remote Site Setting.
- 2. Write Apex that uses HttpRequest + Http and points to callout:Named Credential/....

#### Apex example (REST using Named Credential):

```
public with sharing class ExternalIntegration {
 @future(callout=true)
 public static void notifyEnrollment(Id enrollmentId) {
                             [SELECT
                                                Student r.Email c,
                                                                       Course r.Course Name c,
  Enrollment c
                                         Id,
Enrollment Status_c
             FROM Enrollment c WHERE Id = :enrollmentId LIMIT 1];
  HttpRequest req = new HttpRequest();
  req.setEndpoint('callout:UniversityAPI NC/v1/enrollments'); // Named Credential
  req.setMethod('POST');
  req.setHeader('Content-Type','application/json');
  req.setBody(JSON.serialize(new Map<String, Object>{
   'enrollmentId' => e.Id,
   'studentEmail' => e.Student r.Email c,
   'course' => e.Course r.Course Name c,
   'status' => e.Enrollment Status c
  }));
  Http http = new Http();
  HttpResponse res = http.send(req);
```

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// handle res.getStatusCode() / body
}
```

Testing: implement HttpCalloutMock and use Test.setMock(...) in test classes.

#### 4) Callouts triggered when records change

Why: notify external systems immediately when relevant IMS records change.

#### Steps

- 1. Create a trigger on the Salesforce object (e.g., Enrollment c AFTER insert/after update).
- 2. In trigger handler, decide when to notify (e.g., status changed).
- 3. Enqueue an async job that performs callout (@future(callout=true) or Queueable implementing Database.AllowsCallouts).

I've already implemented that in **Phase 3–4** with your **Fee Payment Trigger** + **Enrollment Trigger** calling the async Apex (@future) methods.

#### Why it's sufficient:

- The triggers detect insert/update events.
- They only call the external system when the **status changes** (Enrollment\_Status\_\_c or Status\_\_c = 'Paid').
- The async Apex (@future(callout=true) or Queueable) handles the actual REST call.
- No extra steps are needed for this, because the logic is already **event-driven** and **bulk-safe**, fulfilling the requirement of callouts triggered by record changes.

#### **5.**Creation of Platform events

#### **Step 1: Create the Platform Event**

- 1. Go to Setup  $\rightarrow$  Platform Events  $\rightarrow$  New Platform Event.
- 2. Fill in the details:
  - o Label: FeePaid Event
  - o Plural Label: FeePaid Events

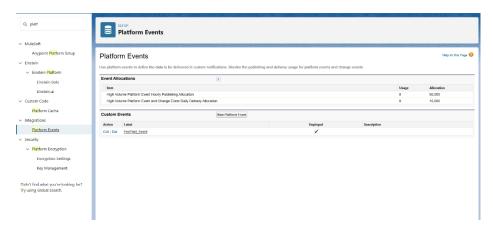
- o API Name: FeePaid\_Event\_e
- o Publish Behavior: Publish Immediately (so events are available as soon as saved)
- 3. Click Save.

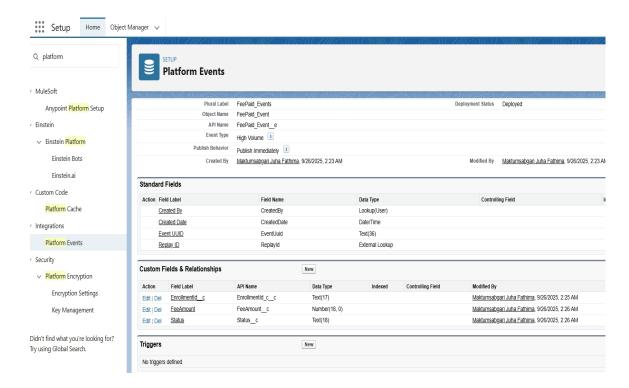
#### **Step 2: Add Fields to the Platform Event**

Create fields to capture the information you want to send:

- 1. EnrollmentId\_c  $\rightarrow$  Text (18)
- 2. StudentEmail\_c  $\rightarrow$  Email
- 3.  $FeeAmount\_c \rightarrow Number$
- 4. Status\_ $c \rightarrow Text$

Click Save after adding all fields.





### 6) Change Data Capture (CDC)

- **Reason:** Overhead unless you have **large-scale external data sync** (like nightly export of *every change* to a data warehouse).
- IMS is usually transactional → Platform Events are enough.

## 7) Salesforce Connect

- Reason: Only needed if major data (like student master data or course catalog) lives in an external DB (e.g., Oracle, SAP, university ERP).
- If IMS data is all inside Salesforce, X no need.