

# Security Requirements Elicitation Tool

**Units Covered:** Unit II (Assurance case) and Unit III (SQUARE process)

## Short Description:

A lightweight Flask web application to help teams collect, suggest, prioritize, and export security requirements. Users add functional requirements; the app auto-suggests security controls using keyword templates inspired by the SQUARE process. Data is stored in SQLite and can be exported as an HTML assurance case report.

## Features

- \* Add / Edit / Delete functional requirements
- \* Real-time auto-suggested security requirements using keyword templates
- \* Prioritize requirements (High / Medium / Low)
- \* Search and filter by keyword or category
- \* Dashboard stats (High / Medium / Low counts)
- \* Export a prioritized security assurance case report (HTML)
- \* Simple Bootstrap-based UI (templates included)

## Tech Stack

- \* Python (Flask)
- \* Jinja2 templates (Bootstrap 5 UI)
- \* SQLite (requirements.db)
- \* Optional: NLP (NLTK / spaCy) to improve keyword detection

## Files (included)

- \* `app.py` — Main Flask app with routes: `/`, `/add`, `/edit/<id>`, `/delete/<id>`, `/suggest`, `/export`
- \* `requirements.db` — SQLite DB (auto-created on first run)
- \* `templates/base.html` — Base layout (Bootstrap)
- \* `templates/index.html` — Dashboard and listing
- \* `templates/add.html` — Create requirement form (with realtime suggestion)
- \* `templates/edit.html` — Edit requirement form
- \* `README.md` — Project README and run instructions

> Note: The templates and `app.py` are already present in the project folder. The DB is created automatically.

## Database Schema

```
...  
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS requirements (  
  id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT,  
  functional_req TEXT NOT NULL,  
  security_req TEXT NOT NULL,  
  priority TEXT NOT NULL,  
  category TEXT,  
  created_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP  
)  
...
```

## How to Setup & Run (Quick)

### 1. Create a virtual environment and activate it:

```
``bash  
python -m venv venv  
# Windows  
venv\Scripts\activate  
# macOS/Linux  
source venv/bin/activate  
``
```

## 2. Install Flask:

```
```bash
pip install flask
```
```

## 3. Run the app:

```
```bash
python app.py
```
```

## 4. Open `http://127.0.0.1:5000/` in your browser.

### API / Routes Overview

- \* `GET /` — Dashboard, search and filter functionality
- \* `POST /suggest` — Accepts `{functional_req: "..."}`  JSON and returns `{'security_req': '...'}` (keyword-based suggestions)
- \* `GET, POST /add` — Add a new requirement
- \* `GET, POST /edit/<id>` — Edit existing requirement
- \* `GET /delete/<id>` — Delete requirement
- \* `GET /export` — Returns HTML assurance case report as a downloadable file

### Security & Best-Practices Notes

- \* Use parameterized queries (the app uses `?` placeholders) — avoids SQL injection.
- \* For production, set a secure `app.secret_key` and disable `debug=True`.
- \* Use hashed storage for any sensitive data; do not store PII in plaintext.
- \* Add CSRF protection (Flask-WTF) if you plan to expose this app outside controlled environments.
- \* Sanitize user-provided data shown in exported reports to prevent injection/HTML issues.

### Extensions & Improvements

- \* Integrate simple NLP (spaCy/fastText) to classify functional requirements more accurately.
- \* Add user accounts and per-project scopes (multi-tenant support).
- \* Export additional formats (PDF via WeasyPrint or wkhtmltopdf).
- \* Add unit tests for suggestion logic and CRUD operations.
- \* Add audit logging for changes (who changed what and when).

SecReq Tool

Add ReqExport

Add New Requirement

Functional Requirement

User Login Password

Category:

Data

Priority:

Medium

Suggested Security Requirement

Implement secure authentication (OAuth 2.0/JWT, MFA). Use secure session management and protect against CSRF/XSS.

Auto-generated via keyword analysis (SQUARE-Inspired). Edit after saving if needed.

Add Requirement

Cancel

Tip: Type a functional requirement to see real-time security suggestions based on keywords.

SecReq Tool

Add ReqExport

Requirement added successfully!

Requirements Dashboard

Add New Requirement

Search requirements...

All Categories

FilterClear

High0

Medium1

Low0

Total1

| ID | Category | Functional Req      | Security Req  | Priority | Created             | Actions               |
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