

Students Attendance Tracker

Documentation

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Project Description

The Online Attendance Tracker application helps the teachers simplify the tedious task of keeping attendance. Setting up classes and taking attendance is very easy. The attendance can be downloaded in excel format. There is variety of reports available to the user. The user can visualize the attendance records in graphs. Only administrators have the rights to add and delete the details of the teachers, department, programs, classes, etc.

In this system the users are divided into two main roles: Admin and Teachers.

1. Admin

Administrator is the role having the highest privilege. They have to use Admin-Site. Administrator can do the following things:

- Create accounts for teachers.
- Create departments, program, subject or class.
- Update and delete existing department, program, subject, class and teacher accounts.

2. Teachers

Department assigns teachers for the certain subject and class. Teacher use Client-Site. Teachers can do the following things:

- Take attendance of specific classes.
- Download an excel file containing the attendance of the students.
- View attendance history summary and visualization of specific classes.

Project Setup

To run the project on your local machine, follow the instructions given below:

- Install node.js (at least V 12) as the first prerequisite of the project. (It can be installed from <https://nodejs.org/en/download/>)
- Install MySQL or MariaDB or packages like Xampp, which ship with MariaDB by default.

File Structure

There are three main folders.

- Backend
- Admin-Site
- Client

Install Required Packages

- Open the terminal and change the directory to the <project base directory>/Attendance-Backend
- Enter command *"npm install"*. This downloads and installs dependencies defined in a package.json file and generates a node_modules folder with the installed modules.
- Do above steps for each of the folders in the project.

Creating Database using Xampp

- Run Xampp Control Panel
- Start Apache and MySQL server
- Open Admin of MySQL or go to localhost/phpmyadmin in your browser
- For first time use, create a database named "schema_attendance"

Initial Backend Setup

Create a **.env** file on the root directory in folder "Attendance/Backend " and add the following default credentials in the newly created file.

DB_HOST="localhost"

DB_USER="root"

DB_PASSWORD = ""

JWT_KEY = "HELLO"

ADMIN_KEY = "HELLO"

PORT_NO = "3082"

Running the project

- Enter command *"npm start"* inside the base directory "Attendance/Backend" to run the backend
- Now, enter command *"npm start"* inside the base directory "Attendance/Client" to run the client site or inside "Attendance/Admin-Site" to run the admin site
- The instructions for using the admin site are given in the application itself, under the help section
- In case the application crashes, restart the respective application.
- Press CTRL + C to stop any of the servers.

Tech Stacks Used

Front End

The frontend part of the project is made using ReactJS. React is a free and open-source front-end JavaScript library for building user interfaces based on UI components. It is maintained by Meta and a community of individual developers and companies.

To learn React, check out the React documentation (<https://reactjs.org/>).

For some of the UI interface, Bootstrap is also used. Bootstrap is the most popular HTML, CSS, and JavaScript framework for developing responsive, mobile-first websites. It has numerous HTML and CSS templates for UI interface elements such as buttons and forms.

BackEnd

The backend or server-side is written in Express. Express is a minimal and flexible Node.js web application framework that provides a robust set of features for web and mobile applications.

Database

This application uses MySQL database infrastructure. MySQL is an open source relational database management system. Alternatively, XAMPP server can be used for this application which consists of MySQL database component.

User Manual

There are two applications based on user:

1. Administrator (Admin Site)
2. Teacher (Client Site)

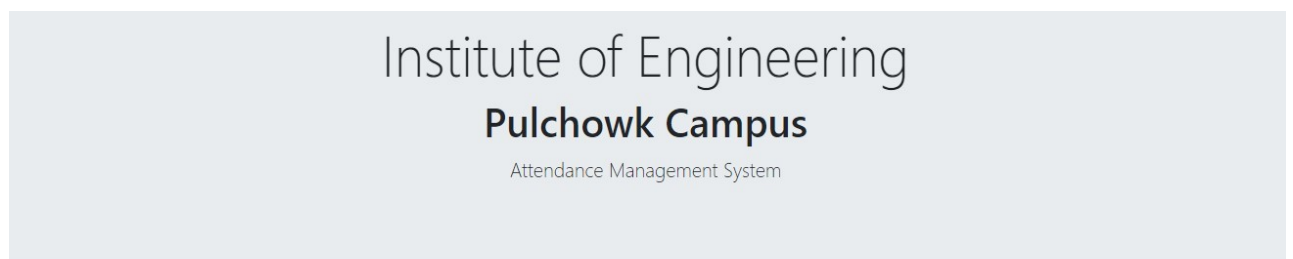
Admin Site

At first in the admin site you will get the following login page,

Login Portal

Go

By default, the login key is 'HELLO'. Enter the login key and you will be redirected to the following admin dashboard.



Attendance Management System, Pulchowk Campus, IOE
<div>Welcome</div>
Total Departments : 0
Total Programs : 0
Total Instructors : 0
Total Subjects : 0
Total Classes : 0

Total Departments : 0

Total Programs : 0

Total Instructors : 0

Total Subjects : 0

Total Classes : 0

Add Department

Add Program

Add User

Add Subject

Add Class

Logout

Departments

Programs

Users

Subjects

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Attendance Details

Help

List of Departments

ID	Name	Edit	Remove
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You are in the admin site of the Attendance Management System where you have almost all the control to the system. Be sure that you are the right person who is authorized to use the system. If you are here by mistake please Logout from the system.

First of all, add a department. We can also add multiple departments. We have to provide an id and a name to the department. Id can be DOECE, DOCE, etc. Name can be Department of Electronics and Computer Engineering, Department of Civil Engineering, etc.

Add Department

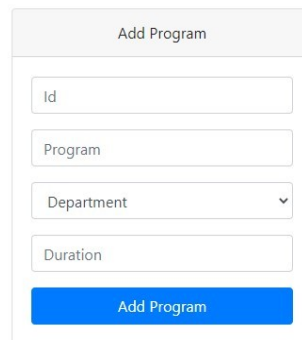
Id

Name

Add Department

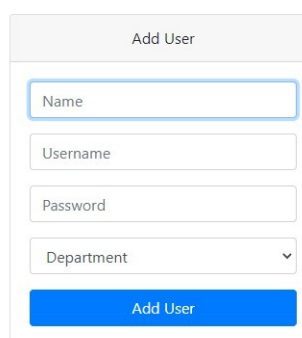
Now, add different programs which may be under different departments. The program consists of attributes like id, name, department and duration. Id can be

BCT, BCE, etc. Name can be Bachelor of Computer Engineering, Bachelor of Civil Engineering, etc. Department can be DOECE, DOCE, etc. Duration can be 4, 5, etc.



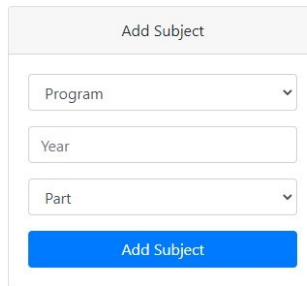
The 'Add Program' form is a vertical stack of input fields. It starts with a title bar 'Add Program'. Below it are four text input fields: 'Id', 'Program', 'Department' (which is a dropdown menu), and 'Duration'. At the bottom is a blue button labeled 'Add Program'.

Now, users are added in order to access the client part of the system. One or more users can be added easily. User consists of attributes like name, username, password and department. We have to remember the username and password in order to login from the client site.



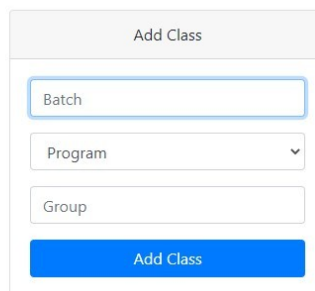
The 'Add User' form is a vertical stack of input fields. It starts with a title bar 'Add User'. Below it are four input fields: 'Name' (text), 'Username' (text), 'Password' (text), and 'Department' (dropdown menu). At the bottom is a blue button labeled 'Add User'.

Now, subjects for the added program has to be added in order to take attendance by the teachers in the client site.



The 'Add Subject' form is a vertical stack of input fields. It starts with a title bar 'Add Subject'. Below it are three input fields: a dropdown menu labeled 'Program', a text input labeled 'Year', and another dropdown menu labeled 'Part'. At the bottom is a blue button labeled 'Add Subject'.

Finally, classes are to be added in order to take attendance of specific class. Note that attendance can be taken only in the client side of the system.



The 'Add Class' form is a vertical stack of input fields. It starts with a title bar 'Add Class'. Below it are three input fields: a text input labeled 'Batch', a dropdown menu labeled 'Program', and a text input labeled 'Group'. At the bottom is a blue button labeled 'Add Class'.

All the added items can be viewed in the main dashboard by clicking on the tabs of interest. You can see various buttons for editing the details and for removing the records. For viewing subjects, input might be given which is similar as instructed above in 'For Subject' section. For viewing classes also, similar thing has to be done as in the case of subjects. When you do all the necessary work, be sure to Logout from the system.

There also is a help tab that will navigate you through the admin site.

2. Client Site

Login

At first, teachers have to login with their username and password as provided by the administrator. Only the users whose account has been created by administrator from the admin site are authenticated.

Institute of Engineering

Pulchowk Campus

Sign in

Username

Type your password

Login

Home

Home shows “My Classes” which lists all the class whose attendance has been recorded. Here the classes are shown in simple cards listed with the programs, batch, section, class type.

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My Classes

Applied Mechanics

Program: BCT

Batch: 076

Section: C

Class Type: Lecture

Attendance HistoryTake Attendance

Applied Mechanics

Program: BCT

Batch: 076

Section: D

Class Type: Lecture

Attendance HistoryTake Attendance

Along with all the general information the card also has buttons to easily access the “Attendance history” (this shows all the recorded attendance)

<div>HomeTake AttendanceOnline ClassVisualizationSummaryLogout</div>						
Subject: Applied Mechanics(Lecture)						
Batch: 076BCT(Section D)						
Export To ExcelEditDelete						
Roll No	Name	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Total Present
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	P	P	P	P	4
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	P	P	P	P	4
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	P	P	P	P	4
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	P	P	P	P	4
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	P	P	A	P	3
078	SHREY UPADHYAYA	A	P	P	P	3
079	SIMANTA PANDEY	P	P	P	P	4
080	SMRITI KARKI	A	P	P	P	3

Take Attendance

This is the main section where the attendance record can be taken. To take the attendance first we are to select the right program, batch, section, year and then the subject and finally click on “Take Attendance” button.

<div>HomeTake AttendanceOnline ClassVisualizationSummaryLogout</div>					
Class Details					
Program	Batch	Section			
BCT	076	D			
Year	Part	Subject			
1	1	CE401 Applied Mechanics			
Take Attendance					

On clicking the button, the list of all the students in the class appears in a table with their roll no, name and present/absent column.

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CE401 Applied Mechanics

Class Type:

Lecture

Roll No	Name	Present/Absent
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	<input type="checkbox"/>
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	<input type="checkbox"/>
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	<input type="checkbox"/>
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	<input type="checkbox"/>
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	<input type="checkbox"/>

Now before taking the attendance user needs to specify the class type by selecting the drop down before the table by default, it is set to lecture class and for practical class it can be set by selecting from the drop-down.

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CE401 Applied Mechanics

Class Type:

Lecture
Lecture
Practical

Roll No	Name	Present/Absent
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	<input type="checkbox"/>
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	<input type="checkbox"/>
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	<input type="checkbox"/>
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	<input type="checkbox"/>
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	<input type="checkbox"/>

By default, all students are marked absent shown by red highlight; to mark any student present you go beside the name of the student in present/absent column and click on the checkbox, on clicking the checkbox the row with student name is highlighted by green color which signifies that student is marked present.

CE401 Applied Mechanics

Class Type:
Lecture

Roll No	Name	Present/Absent
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	<input type="checkbox"/>
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	<input type="checkbox"/>
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

After taking the attendance (marking all the checkbox) user can submit the record by clicking “submit” button. This submits the record and stores it. After clicking the submit button the overview of the attendance record of the class appears and the user can edit (make changes to the recorded data), delete (delete entire record), or export it to excel.

Subject: Applied Mechanics(Lecture)
Batch: 076BCT(Section D)

Export To Excel
Edit
Delete

Roll No	Name	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Total Present
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	P	P	P	P	A	4
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	P	P	P	P	P	5
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	P	P	P	P	P	5
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	P	P	P	P	A	4
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	P	P	A	P	P	4
078	SHREY UPADHYAYA	A	P	P	P	P	4
079	SIMANTA PANDEY	P	P	P	P	A	4
080	SMRITI KARKI	A	P	P	P	A	3

Home Take Attendance Online Class Visualization Summary Logout							
Subject: Applied Mechanics(Lecture) Batch: 076BCT(Section D)							
Export To Excel Edit							
Roll No	Name	Mon Jul 11 2022 Save	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Mon Jul 11 2022	Total Present
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	A	4
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	P	5
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	P	5
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	A	4
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P	A	P	P	4
078	SHREY UPADHYAYA	<input type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	P	4
079	SIMANTA PANDEY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	A	4
080	SMRITI KARKI	<input type="checkbox"/>	P	P	P	A	3

Above figure illustrated the editing record feature available to the user.

Home Take Attendance Online Class Visualization Summary Logout							
Subject: Applied Mechanics(Lecture) Batch: 076BCT(Section D)							
Export To Excel Edit Delete							
Roll No	Name	Mon Jul 11 2022 Delete	Mon Jul 11 2022 Delete	Mon Jul 11 2022 Delete	Mon Jul 11 2022 Delete	Mon Jul 11 2022 Delete	Total Present
073	SAURAV BASTOLA	A	P	P	P	A	3
074	SAURAV KUNWAR	P	P	P	P	P	5
075	SAYOUSH SUBEDI	P	P	P	P	P	5
076	SHREEJAN SATYAL	P	P	P	P	A	4
077	SHREESHANT PRAJAPATI	P	P	A	P	P	4
078	SHREY UPADHYAYA	A	P	P	P	P	4
079	SIMANTA PANDEY	P	P	P	P	A	4
...	...	-	-	-	-	-	-

Above figure illustrates the delete record feature available to the user.

Visualization

Attendance records of specific class can be visualized. For this, click on Visualization tab. Then fill the class details (program, batch, section, year, part, subject, class type) and finally click on Visualize button to visualize the records.

HomeTake AttendanceOnline ClassVisualizationSummaryLogout

Class Details for Visualization

Program

BCT

Batch

076

Section

D

Year

3

Part

1

Subject

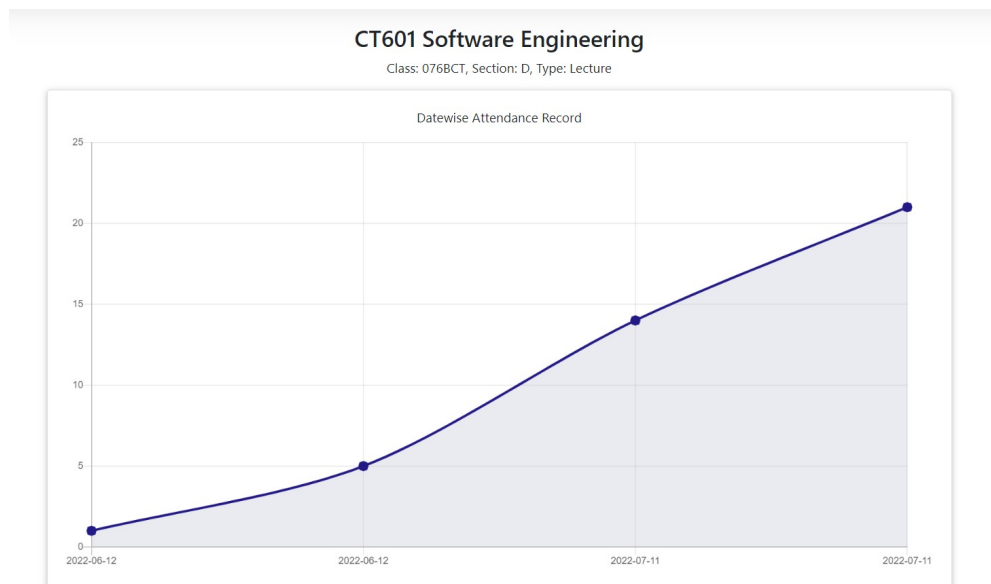
CT601 Software Engineering

Class Type

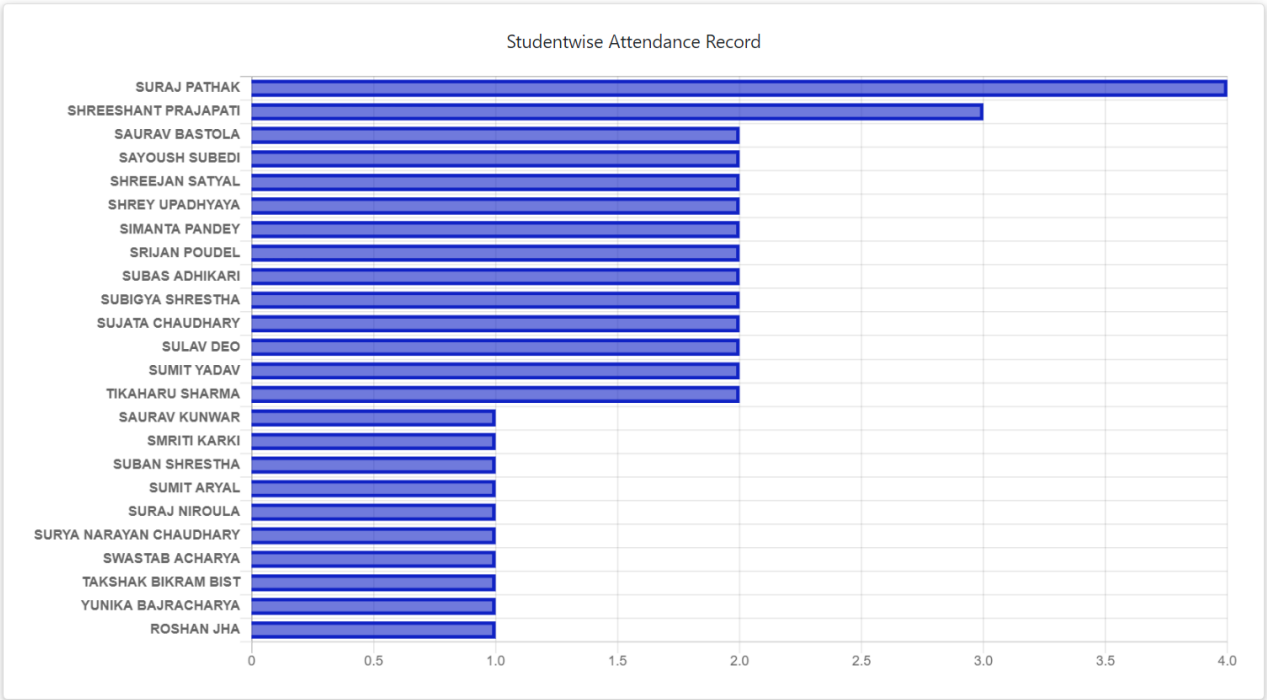
Lecture

Visualize

The date-wise attendance record plots the no of present students at respective dates.



The student-wise attendance records shows the records in descending order of no. of present days from top to bottom.



Summary

This section gives the summary of all attendance records taken for a specific section. Select the required class details. The summary can also be downloaded in excel.

Class Details

Program

Batch

Section

BCT

076

C

Filter Search

Attendance Summary

Export To Excel

Code	Class Type	Subject	Average Attendance
CT601	Lecture	Software Engineering	25%
EX603	Lecture	Computer Graphics	17%