# **Koobecaf**

# User's Manual

## CSCI-P465/565 (Software Engineering I)

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### 1. Product Overview

We are living in the era where social is new norm for all people. People interact with each other through social platforms which wasn't the case few decades ago. With time, various social media platforms have become more complicated with not much needed features for all types of users. We're trying to solve this problem by implementing a simple version of a social media application with basic features which could be used by users on a daily basis.

With Koobecaf, we're trying to implement a minimalistic social media platform wherein users can interact with one another. It comprises of basic features. Users can create their accounts easily, Post what's on their mind and communicate with people through direct message, for the comfort of their eyes can switch to dark mode.

## 2. System Requirements

Software Requirements:

• Server : We would require systems running the following servers:

- A. Node.js: One Nodejs is an open source cross-platform runtime environment for running javascript files outside a web browser. Node Js runtime serves as the frontend of the application.
- B. Python: One python runtime for running the Django framework of python would be required. Django framework serves for handling the backend calls of the application.
- User Interface: The UI of the application can be accessed from most of the well known browsers such as:
  - Microsoft Edge
  - Google Chrome
  - Mozilla Firefox
- Support for server application: Several third party libraries were used by backend and frontend frameworks. All the third party libraries are well known in the market and provide industry standards with respect to security and are specified in the requirements.txt file and package.json file respectively.
- Platform: No restriction on the Platform front as long as the requirements specified above are satisfied. Development of the product was done on Ubuntu and Macintosh systems.

#### Hardware Requirements:

- Operating System Windows OS, Linux, MacOS
- Hard Disk Storage Approximately 1 GB for the application code. Approximately 2 GB for storing files as per the requirement of the user.
- RAM 4GB (Minimum Requirement)
- Processor Intel Dual Core / Mac M1 (Minimum Requirement)

### 3. Product Installation

Provide a sequence of steps that details how to install the product. Assume that the software product has just been handed to you on the media you provide. Detail exactly how to install the software onto a system. If your software depends on the presence of other software support packages, detail how to install those packages or provide a link to a website that provides this detail (for example, if your software requires Python to run, provide a link to the Python installation web site).

Product installation consist of 2 phases:

#### Frontend:

- First install node is from the url : <a href="https://nodejs.org/en/download/">https://nodejs.org/en/download/</a>
- Once nodejs is installed properly, Go to the project folder named team13-socialmedia —> frontend, Open terminal under the current folder and run the following command:

#### npm -i install next

- Running this command will install all the required frontend libraries and modules for the project.
- Once done, run the following command on the terminal to start the frontend server.
  npm run dev

#### Backend:

- Install python from the official python distribution under <a href="https://www.python.org/downloads/">https://www.python.org/downloads/</a>
- Once Python is installed successfully, navigate to project folder named team13-socialmedia —> backend, Open terminal under the current folder and run the following command: python3 -m pip install --user virtualenv For Mac/Linux Users

**py -m pip install --user virtualenv** — For Windows Users

• This will install virtual environment in the local system. Next step is to create a virtual environment which will be used throughout the project and activate it. For that run the following commands:

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python3 -m venv env — For Mac/Linux Userspy -m venv env — For Windows Users
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And to activate the environment:

source env/bin/activate — For Mac/Linux Users\text{env\Scripts\activate} — For Windows Users

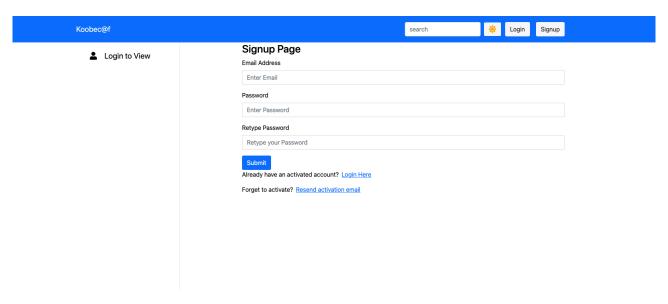
• Run the following command in order to install the dependencies of the backend Django framework:

pip install -r requirements.txt python manage.py migrate python manage.py makemigrations

- Once done, run the following command to run the backend server on the system.
  python manage.py runserver
- Successful execution of the above steps ensures that the frontend and backend servers are running on different ports in the system. You can then access the application at http://localhost:3000

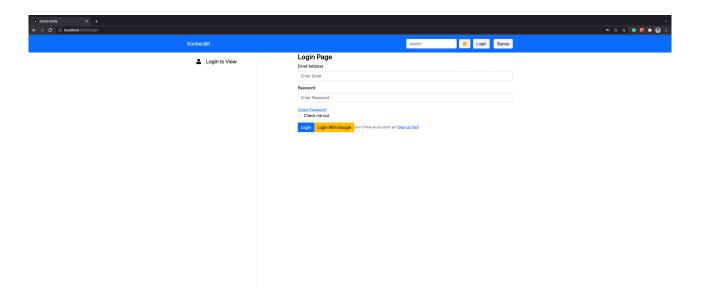
## 4. Product Operation

• Signup



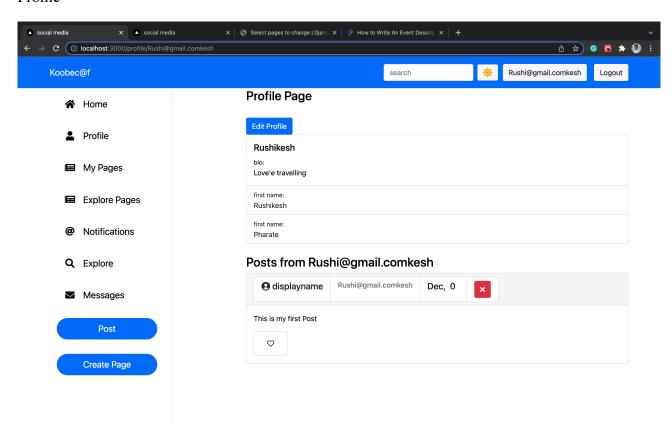
Enter the required fields of email address, password and click on Submit button to create an account. A confirmation mail will be sent to the user in-order to activate the account. Click on the link and then click on Activate account to activate the account.

### Login

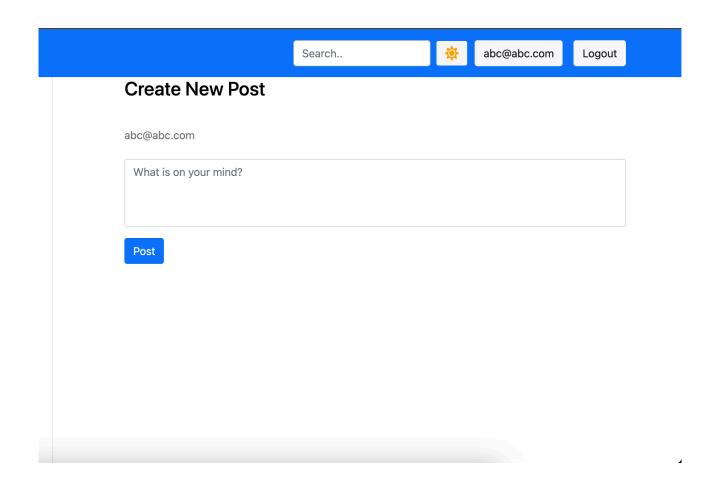


Enter the required fields of username and password to login to the application.

#### Profile

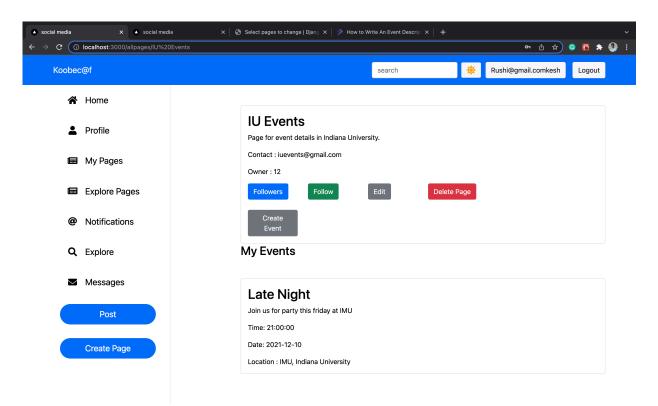


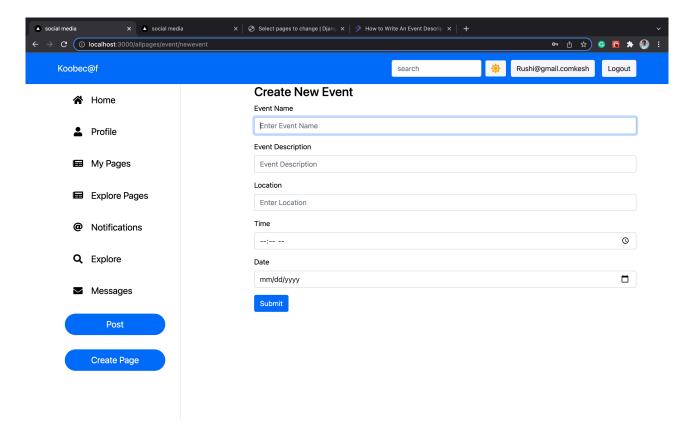
Click on Profile icon, It will redirect to the logged-in user's profile page with user's posts. Click on Edit button to edit the profile info of the user.



Click on Post Icon on the Home Page, Enter the post content and click on Post button for the post to be uploaded successfully to the feed.

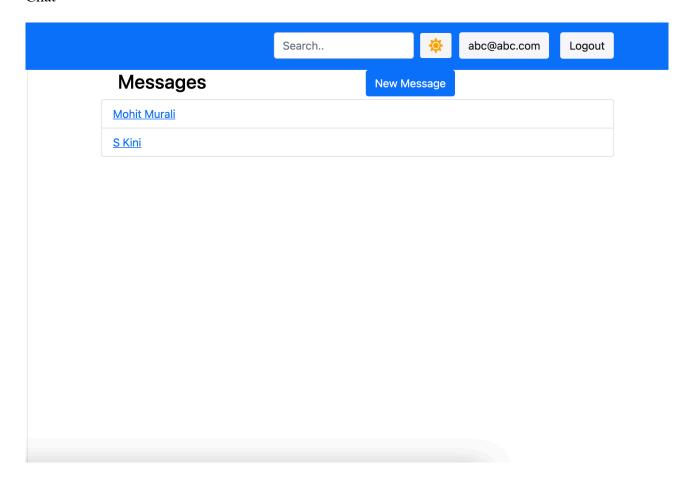
New Page along with New Events:

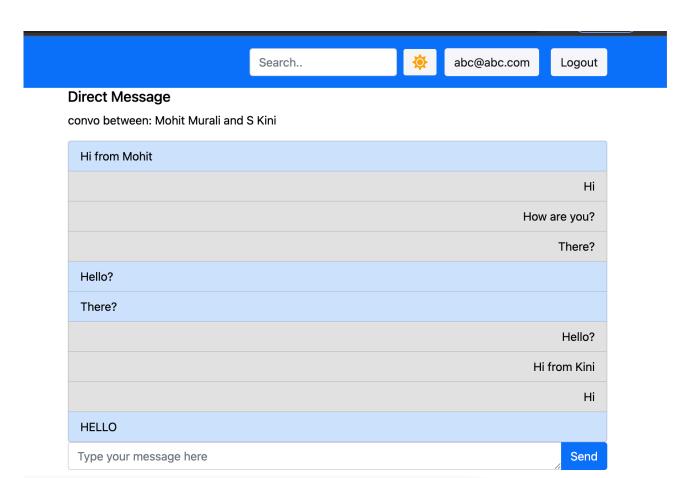




Click on Create Page button on the Homepage, Enter the Page details and click on create Page, New page should be visible under My Pages and Explore Pages section. Click on the desired created page, click on create event and enter the relevant event details. Click on Submit. The Event will be displayed under the respective page.

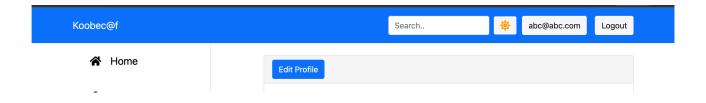
### Chat





Click on Messages button, click on New message button and select the recipient with whom you wish to send a text, Enter the message and click on send button.

#### Dark Mode:



Click on the Icon besides the search bar to toggle between Light and Dark Modes in the application.

## 5. Known Defects

Describe any known operational defects associated with the product.

# **Revision History**

Revision		Date	Change Description
	1.0	12/01/2021	Initial Version

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