CSG3101 – Applied Project ASSIGNMET 1 – PROJECT PROPOSAL

AI ClassMate Application

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Assignment 1 – Project Proposal

- 1. Project Name AI Powered ClassMate Application (A Smart Platform Connecting Student and Tutors)
- **2. Project Goal** To develop a mobile application that connects students and tutors in Sri Lanka, providing transparent tutor discovery, class scheduling, and AI-based recommendations, beginning with a pilot in Colombo.

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Table 1 - Project Team

5. Project Background:

Private tuition which is also known as shadow education has become an essential part of Sri Lanka's education system especially in urban areas such as Colombo where competition for national examinations is most intense. The Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (2023) states that the COVID-19 pandemic increased the use of private tuition and revealed problems with how classes were organized such as poor coordination and unequal digital readiness. Bulathwelage (2024) noted that during economic hard times, more than 80% of senior secondary students in Colombo continued to attend tuition, which shows both its necessity and the financial burden it puts on families

The tuition industry has also been criticized for its growing commercialization. Dr. Isuru Senarath (2023) highlights that it has become more "marketing-driven," where tutor visibility is often decided by advertising methods rather than clear signs of quality. Students and parents are forced to rely on uncoordinated sources such as flyers, social media posts, and word-of-mouth to find appropriate tutors. This informal nature of the system leads to inefficiencies in enrollment, scheduling, and communication.

These findings show that the tuition system in Sri Lanka is both fragmented and inequitable. The sector does not have standardized procedures for handling enrollments, payments, and schedules, and students find it hard to determine tutor quality and appropriateness. The issue, therefore, is the lack of a centralized and transparent system to support the management and coordination of private tuition.

6. Project Scope:

6.1 Brief Description of Proposed Work

This project proposes the development of AI ClassMate, a mobile application designed to connect students with tuition tutors in Sri Lanka, starting with Colombo as the pilot location. The application will be developed using Flutter for cross-platform deployment, as explained in the Flutter documentation, while Firebase will provide authentication, database services, and cloud functions, as described in the Firebase developer documentation. The main features will include tutor discovery and filtering, class enrolment with seat availability checks, scheduling with clash detection, secure submission of payment receipts, and access to shared learning materials. According to (UNESCO, 2021), artificial intelligence is increasingly used to support education, and this project will adopt similar practices by providing personalised tutor recommendations and student demand insights. IPS (2023) highlights the importance of technology-enabled coordination in the tuition sector, which informs the inclusion of a ChatBot to answer FAQs and guide users through the application.

6.1.1 In-Scope

- The app will be developed as a mobile application using Flutter.
- The first release will run on Android devices in Colombo as a pilot.
- Students will be able to search for tutors, view profiles, enrol in classes, and upload payment receipts.
- Tutors will be able to create classes, manage schedules, upload learning materials, and view enrolments.
- Admins will be able to approve tutors, publish classes, verify payments, and send announcements
- AI features will include tutor recommendations, student demand insights, and a basic ChatBot for FAQs.
- The app will allow notifications, messaging, and downloading of unit materials.
- Reports and analytics will be provided for admins.

6.1.2 Out of Scope

- The project will not include a full iOS deployment, as the initial release will focus on Android devices
- The system will not integrate third-party payment gateways; instead, it will rely on manual receipt uploads for this phase.
- A nationwide rollout is out of scope, with the pilot limited to the Colombo region.
- Advanced AI tutoring such as adaptive learning or automated teaching will not be implemented, with AI limited to recommendations, demand insights, and a basic ChatBot.

 Marketing and commercialisation activities beyond the academic prototype are not part of the current scope.

6.2 Functional Requirements

- 1. User must be able to register and log in using email or phone.
- 2. Student must be able to search and filter tutors by subject, class type, fees, and availability.
- 3. Student must be able to view tutor profiles including qualifications and classes offered.
- 4. Student must be able to view weekly class schedules.
- 5. Student must be able to enrol in classes with seat availability checks.
- 6. Student must be able to upload payment proof for invoices.
- 7. Student should be able to receive notifications and messages regarding enrolments, schedules, and payments.
- 8. Student should be able to view and download unit materials uploaded by a tutor.
- 9. Tutor must be able to create and manage classes with automated clash checks.
- 10. Tutor should be able to upload and manage unit materials.
- 11. Tutor must be able to view class enrolments and communicate with students.
- 12. Tutor could be able to access AI-driven demand insights on popular class times and formats.
- 13. Admin must be able to approve tutor registrations and publish classes.
- 14. Admin must be able to verify payments and issue refunds.
- 15. Admin should be able to broadcast announcements to selected groups.
- 16. Student should be able to receive AI-based tutor recommendations.
- 17. User should be able to interact with a ChatBot for FAQs, class navigation, and support.
- 18. System must be able to generate reports and analytics on enrolments, revenue, and outstanding payments.

6.2 Non-Functional Requirements

- 1. The system should be user-friendly with a simple, intuitive interface.
- 2. The system should be efficient, offering quick response times during normal use.
- 3. The system must be secure, ensuring safe storage and transmission of data through authentication and encryption.
- 4. The system should be reliable, operating consistently with minimal downtime.
- 5. The system could be scalable to support future expansion and new features beyond the pilot release.

6.3 **Deliverables**:

No.	Deliverable	Description	Format/Platform	Date
1.	Mobile Application	Mobile app (pilot release for Android)	APK / Play Store-ready package	4/10/20205
2.	Source code	Complete Flutter and Firebase project code	GitHub repository	4/10/20205
3.	System documentation	Architecture diagrams, design decisions, API references	PDF Document	12/10/20205
4.	User guide	Step-by-step guide for students, tutors, and admins	PDF Document	12/10/20205
5.	Developer manual	Setup instructions, deployment guide, coding standards	PDF Document	12/10/20205
6.	Test plan and results	Functional and non-functional test cases with results	PDF Document	12/10/20205
7.	Final project report	Evaluation of requirements, features implemented, limitations, and future work	PDF Document	15/10/20205

Table 2 - Final Deliverables

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7. Schedule



Figure 1 - Project Schedule

Link to the Project Schedule - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/lo-ooPLktrCkPHkcyi_pjEYa9ulNrm2hSPoWvfnzSCu8/edit?usp=sharing

Gantt Chart



8. Team Capability Alignment:

9. #	Name	Role	Assigned Scope Task Aligned with Course		Assigned
				Learning	Task
					Numbers
1.	Rusitha	Frontend Lead	Building user-friendly	Applies Analysis & Design to	1.10, 1.13,
	Senarathna	& Backend	mobile interfaces in	create user flows, use case	2.2, 2.3, 2.4
		Support	Flutter; ensuring	diagrams, and UI wireframes; uses	-2.6, 2.7-
			consistency across UI;	Mobile Application Development	2.9, 3.1–3.3,
			assisting backend	to build features in Flutter; applies	3.6, 3.9, 4.2,
			integration with	Project Methods for planning,	6.1., 6.2, 6.3,
			Firebase and data	scheduling, and documentation;	6.5, 6.7, 6.9,
			handling.	contributes to Intelligent Systems	6.11, 6.13,
				by supporting integration of AI	6.15
				tutor recommendations and	
				ChatBot features.	
2.	Viyath	Frontend	Supporting frontend	Focuses on building secure	1.2–1.5,
	Wijekoon	Support &	development;	authentication and access features	1.14, 2.1,
		Cybersecurity	contributing to secure	while supporting frontend	2.4, 6.1, 6.3,
		Developer	coding practices and	integration. His work emphasizes	6.4, 6.6
			authentication modules.	secure coding, anomaly detection,	
				and compliance in line with best	
				practices in cybersecurity and	
				system governance.	
3.	Sithum	Backend	Designing database	Applies Applications Development	1.12, 1.16,
	Gimhara	Developer	structures, Firebase	to design and implement backend	1.17, 3.4,3.5,
			integration, and	logic; uses Mobile Application	3.7,3.8,
			backend logic with	Development to integrate Firebase	3.10,3.12,
			APIs.	services and manage mobile data	4.1, 4.2,
				flow; applies Analysis & Design to	4.3,4.7, 4.9,
				structure the database and ensure	4.11, 4.12,
				efficient, scalable system	4.14, 4.16,
				architecture.	6.1, 6.2, 6.8
4.	Santhusa	Cybersecurity	Implementing secure	Contributes to strengthening	5.2, 5.6, 6.1
	Dissanayake	Developer	authentication,	system security through	
				encryption, role-based access	

			encryption, and role- based access control.	control, and vulnerability mitigation. He ensures authentication mechanisms are reliable and aligned with secure system design principles.	
5.	Sonal	Cybersecurity	Supporting security and	Supports overall system reliability	5.3, 5.5, 5.7,
	Dilshan	Developer	compliance, focusing on	and compliance by enhancing	5.8, 5.12,
			access control and	backend security, monitoring for	5.14, 5.18
			system reliability.	threats, and validating defenses.	
				He also contributes to audit	
				processes and vulnerability	
				monitoring to maintain a secure	
				environment.	

Table 3 - Team Capability Alignment

10. Tools and Technical Requirements:

Type	Tools / Technologies	Purpose	Access Method
Software	Flutter (3.35, Dart 3.9)	Cross-platform mobile app development (Android first, iOS later).	Open-source SDK
	Figma	Wireframing and prototyping user interfaces.	Free
	Firebase (Auth, Firestore, Storage, Cloud Functions)	Authentication, real-time database, file storage, backend logic.	Free/educational tier
	Firebase Cloud Messaging (FCM)	Push notifications and real-time updates.	Free/educational tier
	TensorFlow Lite / Firebase ML Kit; Dialogflow	AI-based tutor recommendations and ChatBot assistant.	Free tier / APIs
	GitHub	Source code management and collaborative development.	Free
	Flutter Test Framework; Firebase Test Lab	Unit, widget, and device compatibility testing.	Free/limited quota

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Hardware	Android Smartphones	Application testing and pilot deployment.	Student-provided
	Laptops with internet connectivity	Development, debugging, and collaboration.	Student-provided
Other Tools	MS Project	Create and maintain Gantt chart and WBS; manage tasks and deadlines.	Licensed (university)
	Google Sheets	Collaborative schedule tracking and real-time task updates.	Free
	ChatGPT	Drafting, refining reports, documentation support, and brainstorming.	Free / Plus subscription

Table 4 - Tools and Technical Requirements

11. Future Improvements

- Adding support for iOS devices after the Android pilot release.
- Integration of secure online payment gateways instead of manual receipt uploads.
- Expansion of the app to cover other major districts beyond Colombo.
- Development of more advanced AI features, such as adaptive learning and intelligent feedback for students.
- Multi-language support to improve accessibility across Sri Lanka.
- Integration of video conferencing for live online tutoring sessions.

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13. Appendices

Appendix A – Project Schedule Gantt Chart

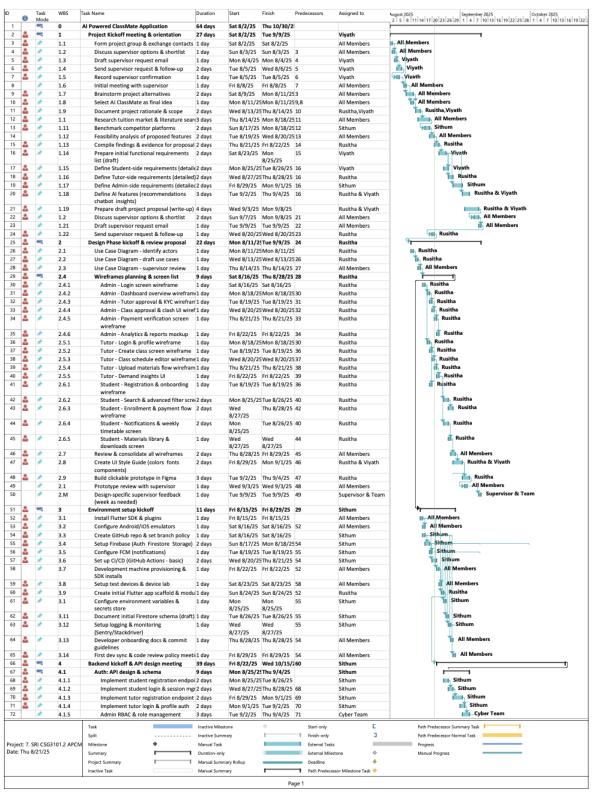


Figure 2 - Gantt Chart Part 1

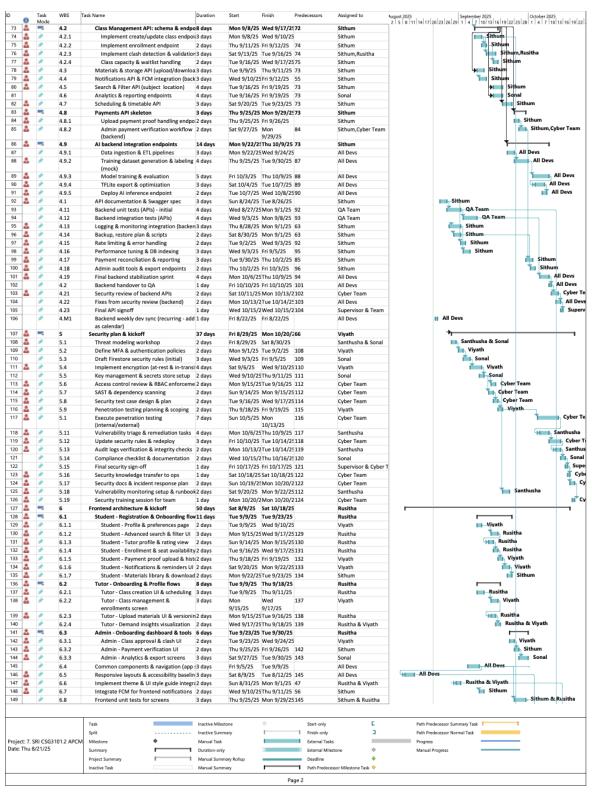


Figure 3 - Gantt Chart Part 2

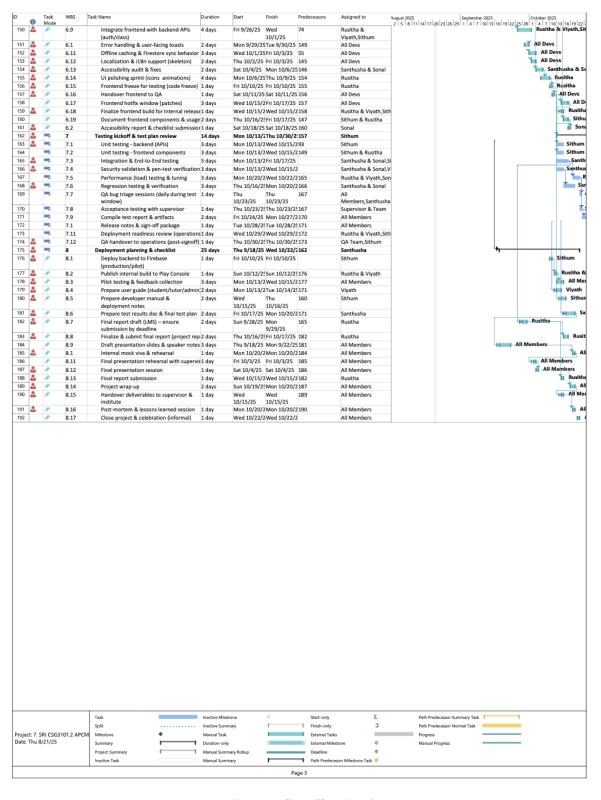


Figure 4 - Gantt Chart Part 3

Appendix B – Team Contract

Group Contract for CSG3101 Applied Project

Group norms are the rules that define acceptable behaviour amongst members of a group. Norms include levels of performance valued by the group, expectations of group members, beliefs and values in relation to study, relationships between group members and teamwork within the group. Writing down these agreed norms in the form of a Group Contract provides a means of clarifying and enforcing these norms when necessary. This generally leads to higher levels of commitment to group goals and better group performance. It can also reduce the chances of the *free-rider* emerging within the group which can be distressing for all group members, particularly responsible group members who do their fair share of the work.

A *Group Contract* is a requirement of this unit and must be submitted in your first Project Management Report complete with all signatures.

A sample of the Group Contract is included below which must be modified according to your group's needs.

Expulsion of a Group Member: In cases where one or more members act contrary to the objectives of the whole group a method of dispute resolution (and in some cases expulsion) must be included in the contract. In the event that the majority of a group wishes to expel a group member, they must show clearly the number of opportunities that the member in question has received to remedy a situation. This must be verifiable and auditable (note verbal acknowledgment is insufficient). There must be a minimum of three occasions where a group member has been notified of his/her inappropriate performance, and the issues should be clearly documented in previous weekly progress reports showing both a member's poor performance AND the means by which this was professionally communicated within the group.

Sample contract:

Group Contract

1. The subject matter of this contract

This contract is entered into by the students named below for the purpose of ensuring that each individual group member fulfills his/her obligations for completing the group assignment for the unit CSG3101 Applied Project.

2. The consideration

- 1. All group members will be punctual at meetings.
- 2. All group members should attend meetings unless by prior agreement with the group.

- 3. All group members will stay at the meeting until it is agreed that the meeting is adjourned.
- All group members will agree to a specific day/time for each weekly meeting and an agreed procedure for informing all other members prior to any missed meetings.
- 5. All group members will come to the meetings prepared by completing the agreed tasks on time.
- 6. The group will actively seek the contributions and opinions of each member at meetings and during group discussions.
- 7. Each group member will take turns at both listening and talking.
- 8. Dominating the group's discussion and decision making is not acceptable.
- 9. Group members will take turns in writing down minutes of the meeting.
- 10. The group member taking minutes will record allocated tasks to be completed by group members by name and agreed deadlines for task completion.
- 11. The group members must decide and declare which method of communication is to be the preferred and agreed method (i.e., MS Teams, ECU email, face-toface.
- 12. The group members must decide on an auditable and verifiable method of detailing completed tasks and or individual elements. (i.e., Google groups, tasks management, written master file)
- 13. Work allocation will be according to an agreed procedure and is documented below (insert method of breaking down the assignment and allocation of work to group members).
- 14. Where disputes arise regarding the work tasks or agreed behaviours in which a group member is not performing according to the terms of this agreement, the following process will be entered into to resolve the dispute: (insert the dispute resolution procedure for your group). Disputes must be resolved within the group and documentation must be retained that relates to attempts to resolve a dispute or to encourage a group member to make his or her contribution to the assignment).
- 15. Ejection of a non-performing or disruptive group member. The Contract MUST include a specific method for dealing with group members where the performance of the group is affected.

3. Names and signatures of the parties to this Group Contract

Student signature	Student name (printed)	Student Number	Date
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	Senarathna		
Viyath	Viyath Bhagya	10688967	12/08/2025
	Bandara Wijekoon		
Santhusa	Danapala	10687368	12/08/2025
	Kandambige		
	Santhusa Didulantha		
	Dissanayake		
Sonal	Wisidagamage Don	10665001	12/08/2025
	Sonal Dilshan		
	Bamunu Arachchige	10695895	12/08/2025
Sithum	Sithum Gimhara		
	Bamunuarachchi		

Date of Fully Signed copy given to Supervisor and Unit Coordinator

19/08/2025

Appendix C - Additional UML Diagrams

Use Case Diagram

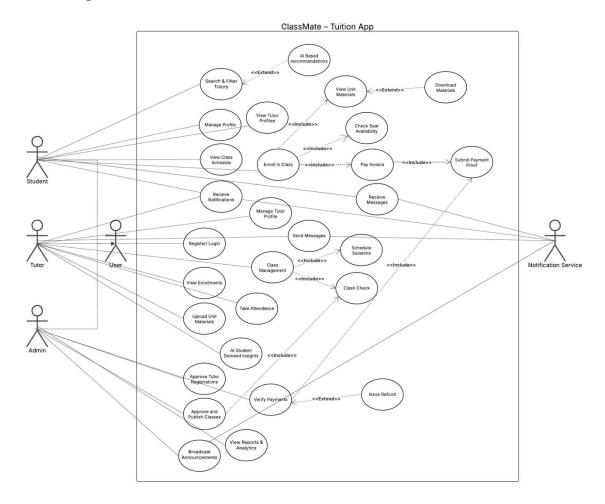


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ERD Diagram

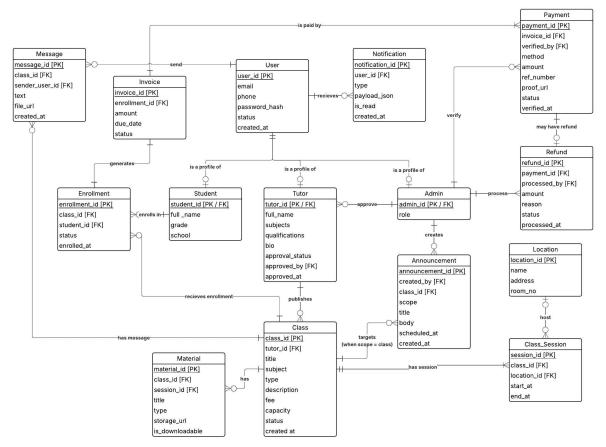


Figure 6 - ERD Diagram