

# Title: Student Gradebook - Project Report

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## 1. Project Objectives

The goal of this project is to design and implement a simple **gradebook management system** using Python.

The program allows users to:

- Add, update, and delete courses
- View all recorded courses
- Calculate GPA for a single semester or for all semesters
- Save and load data using JSON for persistence

This project demonstrates my understanding of:

- Python dictionaries and loops
- File input/output
- JSON serialization
- Modular programming and user interface design

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## 2. System Design

### 2.1 Data Structure

All courses are stored in a dictionary called `courses`, where the key is the course code (e.g., `"MA101"`) and the value is another dictionary containing details such as course name, credits, semester, and score.

Example: `{"MA101": {"name": "Calculus I", "credits": 4, "semester": 1, "score": 85}}`

### 2.2 File Storage

- Data is stored in `gradebook.json`.

- The program automatically loads data when it starts and saves whenever changes occur.
- JSON format ensures compatibility and readability.

## 2.3 Functions Overview

Function	Description
<code>add_course()</code>	Adds a new course entry
<code>update_course()</code>	Edits course details
<code>delete_course()</code>	Removes a course
<code>view_book()</code>	Displays all courses
<code>calc_GPA_by_semester()</code>	Calculates GPA for one semester
<code>calc_overall_GPA()</code>	Calculates total GPA across all semesters
<code>save_data()</code> / <code>load_data()</code>	Handle JSON storage

## 3. Usage Example

Running the program:

```
python student_gradebook_cli.py
```

Example menu:

```
----- Welcome to the Student Gradebook! -----
1. Add course
2. Update course
3. Delete course
4. View gradebook
5. Calculate GPA
6. Exit gradebook
Choose an option: 4
```

Example usage examples:

### View gradebook:

```
----- Courses details -----
Code      Name          Credits Semester  Score
-----
AU003     English 1         3          3        71
MA101     Calculus I        4          1        85
CS102     Programming Basics 3          1        92
PH103     Physics I         4          1        76
EC201     Microeconomics   3          2        88
```

### Calculate GPA:

```
5. Calculate GPA
6. Exit gradebook
Choose an option: 5
Would you like to continue? Type 'Quit' to exit, press Enter to continue:
Enter the semester you want to calculate the semester for: 1
GPA for semester 1: 83.64
Overall GPA: 82.46
```

## 4. Test Results

Test Case	Action	Expected Result	Pas s
Add new course	Adds CS102	Course appears in JSON	✓
Update course score	Change CS102 score to 95	Updated value saved	✓
Delete course	Remove CS102	Entry deleted from JSON	✓
Calculate GPA	For semester 1	Accurate GPA displayed	✓
Load saved data	Restart program	Data restored successfully	✓

## 5. Conclusion

The Student Course Gradebook project successfully implements a functional grade management system using Python. It meets the learning objectives of working with data structures, file handling, and user interaction.

Future improvements may include better input validation, GUI development, and GPA scale flexibility.

