Full Stack Development with MERN

Project Documentation: Online Learning Platform

1. Introduction

Project Title: Online Learning Platform (OLP) using MERN Stack(LearnHub

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2. Project Overview

Purpose:

To provide a digital platform for students and teachers to engage in online learning. The platform allows students to enrol in courses, complete lessons, and earn certifications, while teachers can create and manage courses.

Features:

- User Authentication (Student, Teacher, Admin)
- Course Management (CRUD operations for teachers/admin)
- Student Enrollment and Progress Tracking
- Certificate Generation
- Course Filtering and Search
- Admin Dashboard for monitoring all platform activity
- Payment integration for paid courses

3. Architecture

Frontend:

Built using React.js with Vite for fast development build, styled with Bootstrap and Material UI. Uses Axios for API calls.

Backend:

Node.js with Express.js for server-side logic and REST API development. Uses JSON Web Tokens (JWT) for authentication and middleware for protected routes.

Database:

MongoDB is a NoSQL database with Mongoose ODM. Collections include:

- Users Collection
- Courses Collection

4. Setup Instructions

Prerequisites:

- Node.js
- npm
- MongoDB
- Vite
- Express.js
- React.js

Installation Steps:

- 1. Clone the repository
- 2. Backend setup: npm install
- 3. Frontend setup: npm install
- 4. Database setup: Ensure MongoDB is running locally or via Atlas

5. Folder Structure

6. Running the Application

Frontend:
npm run dev
Backend:
npm start
Access URL:
Frontend: http://localhost:5172
Backend: http://localhost:5000

7. API Documentation

Example Endpoints:

- POST /api/users/register
- POST /api/users/login
- GET /api/courses
- POST /api/courses
- PUT /api/courses/:id
- DELETE /api/courses/:id
- POST /api/courses/enroll/:id
- GET /api/users/me

8. Authentication

Method Used:

JSON Web Tokens (JWT)

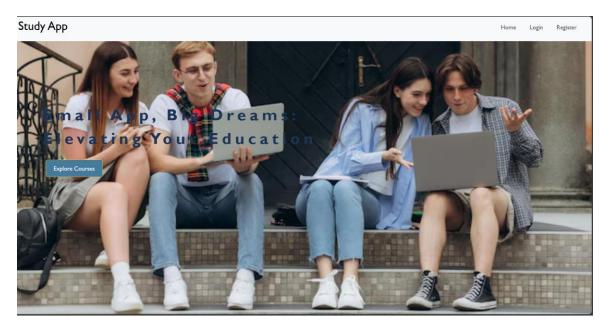
How it Works:

- Users register and log in to get JWT tokens.
- Protected routes use authentication middleware.
- User roles (student, teacher, admin) are checked at the API level.

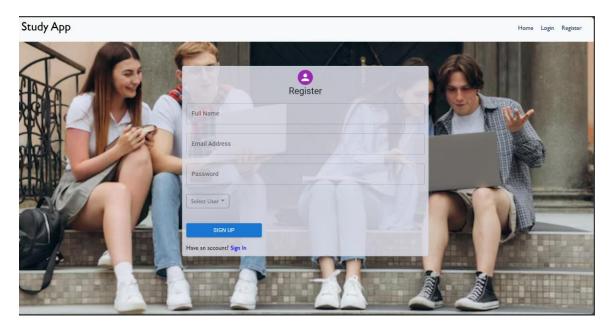
9. User Interface

Screens Included:

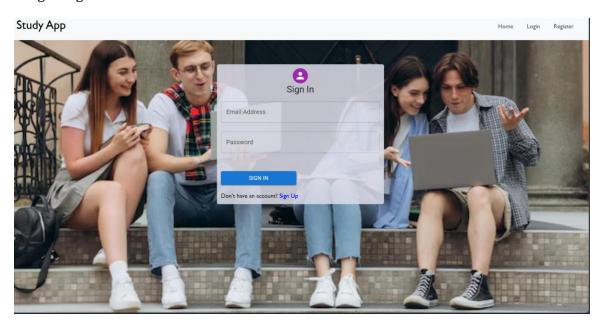
- Landing Page



- Register Page



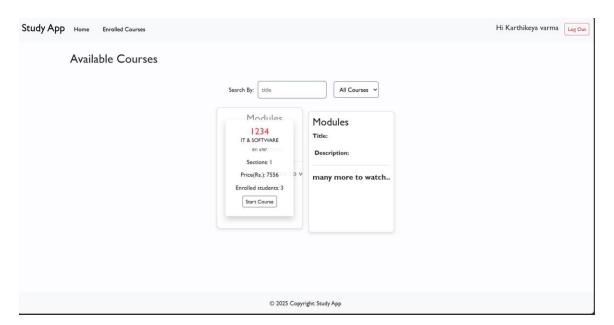
- Login Page



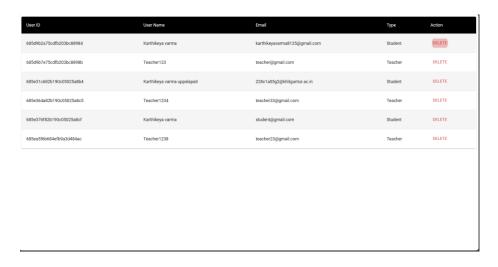
- Teacher Dashboard



- Student Dashboard



-Admin Dashboard



10. Testing

Testing Tools:

- Postman for API testing
- Manual frontend testing
- Basic unit tests on backend routes (optional)

11. Demo

Demo Video: Link to project-implementation.mp4

12. Known Issues

- Limited payment gateway features
- Minimal frontend form validation
- Error handling for API responses can be improved

13. Future Enhancements

- Add role-based dashboards
- Implement full-featured payment gateway integration
- Improve UI/UX styling
- Add live chat and notifications
- Unit testing and test automation