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PREFACE

In the context of rapid digital transformation, the application of information technology in higher education management is no longer just an option but an inevitable trend. Traditional academic management systems, or legacy Monolithic systems, often face significant challenges regarding scalability, maintenance, and the integration of new features as the volume of students and data continues to grow.

Recognizing these challenges, our team decided to undertake the project titled "Building an Academic Management System based on Microservices Architecture." The project focuses on addressing the management of student information, courses, credit enrollment, grading, and more, by decomposing the system into independent services that communicate flexibly via standard RESTful APIs.

This report details the system analysis, design, and implementation process. It covers the construction of core services such as Identity, Student, and Grade Services using Python (Flask), as well as the design of a highly interactive Single Page Application (SPA) user interface. Notably, the project delves into specific distributed architecture techniques, such as Asynchronous Communication and shared database management.

We hope that the results of this project will serve as a useful reference model for the application of modern software architecture to real-world management problems.

To complete this project, alongside the efforts of our team members, we have received dedicated attention, encouragement, and guidance from M.S.Vu Quang Dung. Throughout the implementation of this topic, he spared no effort in imparting knowledge, guiding our problem-solving mindset, and providing valuable feedback to help us refine the system, ranging from Microservices organization to source code optimization.

Although the team has made every effort to apply learned knowledge to practice, due to time constraints and limited practical experience, the project inevitably contains shortcomings. We sincerely look forward to receiving your feedback to further improve the topic and gain valuable lessons for our future careers.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude!

1. Overview

The project focuses on the design and implementation of an “Academic Management System” aimed at supporting the credit-based training model. The system addresses the management requirements for university, faculty, major, course, and student information; facilitates students in course registration and tracking academic results. Simultaneously, it allows lecturers to enter and manage grades, ensuring transparency and accuracy in the academic assessment process.

Throughout the development process, the system has successfully transitioned from a Monolithic architecture to a Microservices Architecture.

The final system comprises:

- + Independent Microservices: Identity, Student, Course, Grade, Enrollment, Email, Faculty, University, and Major Service (including KKT Service).
- + Modern Frontend: Built using Vanilla JavaScript (Single Page Application), enabling smooth interaction for both Students and Lecturers without page reloads.
- + Centralized Database with Logical Separation: The system currently uses a shared MySQL database schema, where each microservice accesses only the tables relevant to its own business domain. This design ensures clear logical separation of data ownership while simplifying deployment and development. The architecture is designed to be transition-ready toward a full Database-per-Service model in future iterations.
- + Hybrid Communication: Combines REST API (Synchronous) and Threading (Asynchronous).

The achieved result is a system with high availability, capable of handling large traffic volumes during peak course registration periods.

2. Project Requirements & Goals

2.2 Key Quality Attributes (Architectural Goals)

❖ Performance & Scalability

The system must respond to standard operations (e.g., viewing grades, logging in, data lookup) within ≤ 3 seconds under normal load conditions.

The system must support at least 500 concurrent users without significant performance degradation.

The system architecture must allow for horizontal scaling (scale-out) as the user base grows.

❖ Security

The system must require users to authenticate via username and password before granting access.

Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) must be strictly enforced between roles: Admin, Lecturer, and Student.

User passwords must be encrypted (hashed) before storage in the database.

The system must prevent unauthorized access and invalid data modification attempts.

❖ Reliability & Availability

The system must ensure 24/7 stability, excluding planned maintenance windows.

Data must be backed up periodically to prevent loss in the event of a failure.

In case of system errors, a mechanism for logging and notification must be in place to facilitate rapid troubleshooting.

❖ Maintainability & Extensibility

The system must be designed using a modular/Microservices architecture to facilitate maintenance and upgrades.

Source code must adhere to coding standards, ensuring readability and ease of modification.

The system must allow for the addition of new features (e.g., email sending, report generation) without significantly impacting existing functionality.

❖ Usability

The user interface (UI) must be intuitive and user-friendly, suitable for non-technical users.

Key functions must be easily accessible and accompanied by clear instructions.

2.4 Use Case Modeling: Use case Student

Overview Description

The Student Module is the primary information portal for learners, serving as the interface where students interact with the university to perform credit-based training processes.

Unlike the Lecturer module (which focuses on data entry), the Student module's primary activities are Information Lookup (Viewing Grades, Viewing Schedules) and executing Registration Transactions (Registering/Canceling courses). The goal of this module is to provide transparent, accurate information and ensure fairness in credit registration.

Use Case Specification

+ UC-S1 Student Login

Use Case Name		Student Login	
Created By	Development Team	Created By	Development Team
Created Date	Jan 1, 2026	Created Date	Jan 1, 2026
Description	Allows Students to authenticate their account credentials (Student ID/Password) to access learner-specific functions such as: Viewing Grades, Course Registration, and Viewing Class Schedules.		
Actors	- Student		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identity Service
Pre-conditions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Student has an existing account in the system (usually granted upon enrollment). 2. The Identity Service is operational.
Post-conditions	<p>Success:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student receives an Authentication Token. 2. System redirects to the Student Dashboard. <p>Failure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. User remains on the login page. 2. Error message is displayed.
Main Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Access: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student accesses the Academic Management Website. 2. Input Information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enters Username (Usually Student ID, e.g., SV001) and Password. - Clicks the "Login" button. 3. Authentication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - System calls API POST /api/login to Identity Service. - Service verifies credentials against the Database. 4. Role Check: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - System confirms the account is valid. - System verifies the account Role is "Student". - Returns Token and User info. 5. Redirect: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interface redirects the student to the "Personal Info & Academic Results" screen (or Main Dashboard). 6. Use Case Ends.
Alternative Flow	<p>Step 3a. Invalid Credentials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Wrong Student ID or Password entered. → System notifies: "<i>Incorrect username or password.</i>" <p>Step 4a. Account Locked/Reserved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Student is currently under disciplinary action or academic suspension. → System notifies: "<i>Account is temporarily locked. Please contact the Student Affairs Office.</i>"

Exceptions	1. Connection Error: → Cannot connect to the server. → Notification: " <i>System error, please try again later.</i> "
Requirements	1. Login interface must be simple and clear. 2. Must have a "Forgot Password" feature (reset password via student email). 3. Information security (Password hashing).

+ UC-S2 Register / Cancel Courses

Use Case Name		Register / Cancel Courses	
Created By	Development Team	Created By	Development Team
Created Date	Jan 1, 2026	Created Date	Jan 1, 2026
Description	Allows Students to view the list of open classes for the current semester, register for new courses, or cancel existing registrations within the allowed timeframe.		
Actors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student (Primary Actor) - Enrollment Service (Main Handler) - Course Service (Check Slots) - Notification Service (Confirmations) 		
Pre-conditions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student has logged in successfully. 2. The Course Registration Period is currently active (Open). 3. Student has paid tuition fees (if required by policy). 		
Post-conditions	<p>Success:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Register: New record added to enrollments, Class current_slots increases by 1. 2. Cancel: Record removed from enrollments, Class current_slots decreases by 1. 3. Student receives a confirmation email. <p>Failure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registration rejected (Class full, Schedule conflict). 2. Error message displayed. 		
Main Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. View Open Classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student selects "Course Registration". - System displays list of available classes for the semester (showing Subject Name, Lecturer, Schedule, Current/Max Slots). 2. Select Class: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student selects a class to register 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clicks "Register". <p>3. Validation (Enrollment Service):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check Slots: Is current_slots < max_slots? - Check Schedule: Does the class time overlap with already registered courses? - Check Prerequisite: Has the student passed the required prerequisite subjects? - Check Credit Limit: Does total credits exceed the max allowed (e.g., 24 credits)? <p>4. Process Registration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If all checks pass, System creates a "Pending" transaction. - Atomic Update: System increments the slot count in Course Service. - Saves registration record in DB. <p>5. Feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - System notifies: "<i>Registration Successful: [Subject Name]</i>". - The class appears in the "Registered Courses" table. - Notification Service sends a confirmation email. <p>6. Use Case Ends.</p>
Alternative Flow	<p>Step 3a. Class Full:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Student System detects current_slots >= max_slots. → Notification: "<i>Class is full. Please choose another class.</i>" <p>Step 3b. Schedule Conflict:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → The selected class overlaps with an existing one. → Notification: "<i>Schedule conflict with [Existing Subject].</i>" <p>Step 1a. Cancel Registration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → (Refer to UC-S5 details if separated, or here as a sub-flow) → Student clicks "Cancel" on a registered course. → System validates deadline → Removes record → Decrement slot count.
Exceptions	<p>1. Race Condition (Concurrency):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Student A and B click "Register" at the exact same moment for the last slot. → Database applies Row Locking or Optimistic Locking. → One student succeeds, the other receives: "<i>Registration failed. The class just became full.</i>" <p>2. System Overload:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Too many requests (> 10,000 req/s). → System puts the request in a Queue or returns 503 Service Unavailable.
Requirements	<p>1. Data Integrity: Slot counting must be strictly accurate (ACID properties) to prevent</p>

	<p>over-subscription.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Performance: The "Check Slot" query must be highly optimized. 3. User Experience: The interface should update slot numbers in near real-time (via WebSocket if possible).
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+ UC-S3 View Academic Results & GPA

Use Case Name		View Academic Results & GPA	
Created By	Development Team	Created By	Development Team
Created Date	Jan 1, 2026	Created Date	Jan 1, 2026
Description	Allows Students to view their complete academic history, including detailed grades for each course (Component scores, Final scores) and system-calculated performance metrics (Semester GPA, Cumulative CPA, Total Credits).		
Actors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student (Primary Actor) - Grade Service (System) 		
Pre-conditions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student has successfully logged in. 2. Academic data (Grades) exists in the system. 3. Grade Service is operational. 		
Post-conditions	<p>Success:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Academic transcript is displayed correctly. 2. GPA/CPA indicators match the latest calculation. <p>Failure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. "No data available" message is displayed. 2. Error notification (if service fails). 		
Main Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Access Academic Profile: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student selects "Academic Results" from the dashboard. 2. Load Data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - System calls API GET /api/student/academic-profile to Grade Service. - Grade Service aggregates data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + <i>Summary</i>: Total Credits, GPA (Semester), CPA (Cumulative), Academic Status (Normal/Warning). + <i>Details</i>: List of courses grouped by Semester. 3. Display Overview (Dashboard): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - System displays Key Performance Indicators (KPIs): 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + CPA: e.g., 3.24/4.0 + Total Credits: e.g., 85/150 + Status: "Good" <p>4. Display Detailed Transcript:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - System displays a table of subjects. - Columns: Subject Name, Credits, Component Scores (Att/Mid/Final), Letter Grade (A, B, C...). <p>5. Filter (Optional):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student filters by "Semester 1 - 2025". - System updates the view to show only that semester's grades and GPA. <p>6. Use Case Ends.</p>
Alternative Flow	<p>Step 2a. Financial Hold (Tuition Debt):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → System checks with Tuition Service (if integrated) and finds unpaid fees. → System blocks the view of final grades. → Notification: "<i>Please complete tuition payment to view final results.</i>" (Only Component scores might be visible). <p>Step 2b. No Data (Freshman):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Student has not completed any courses yet. → System displays: "<i>No academic records found.</i>" with GPA = 0.0.
Exceptions	<p>1. Calculation Error:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Data corruption causes a division by zero in GPA calculation. → System handles the exception gracefully, displaying "N/A" instead of crashing. <p>2. Display Error:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Subject names are missing due to sync issue with Course Service. → System displays "Unknown Subject [ID]" temporarily.
Requirements	<p>1. Privacy: Students can strictly ONLY view their own grades.</p> <p>2. Visualization: It is recommended to include a Line Chart showing GPA trends over semesters for better user experience.</p> <p>3. Accuracy: The displayed GPA must be the result of the latest UC-SYS4 calculation.</p>

3. Architectural Design & Implementation

3.3 Architectural Views – C4 Model Representation

3.3.1 C4 – Container Diagram

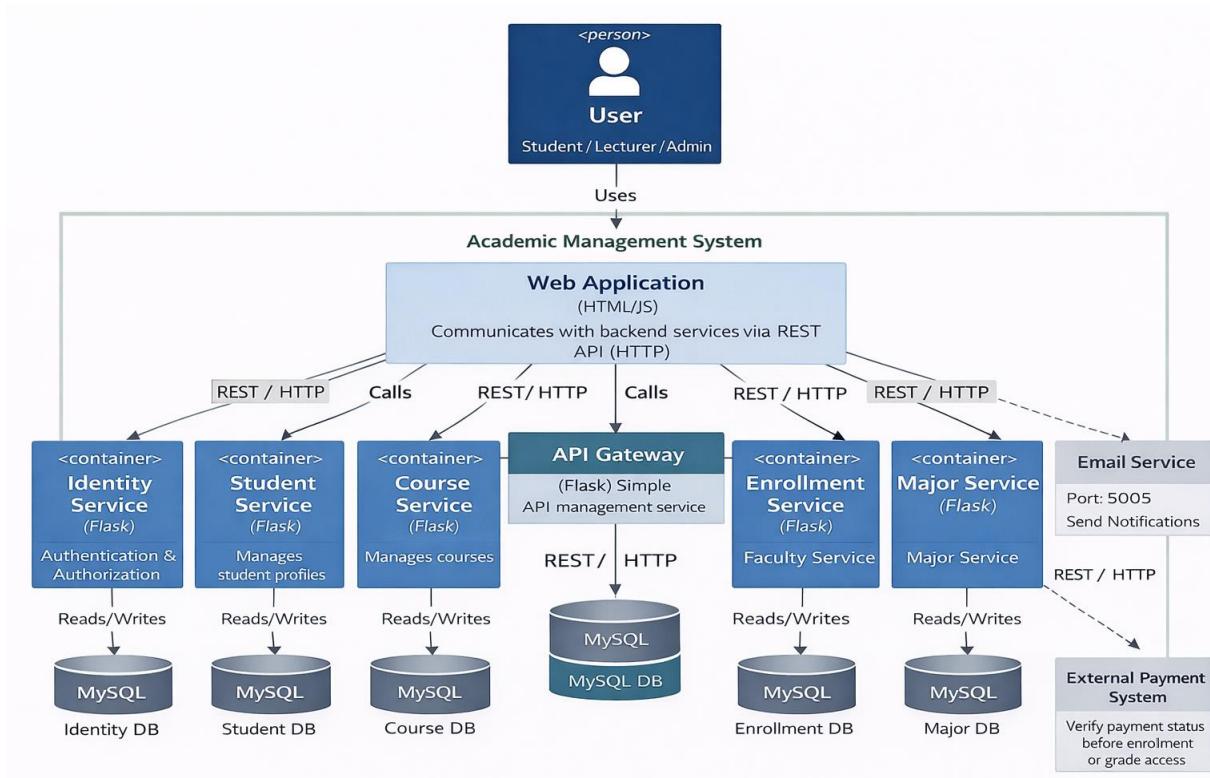
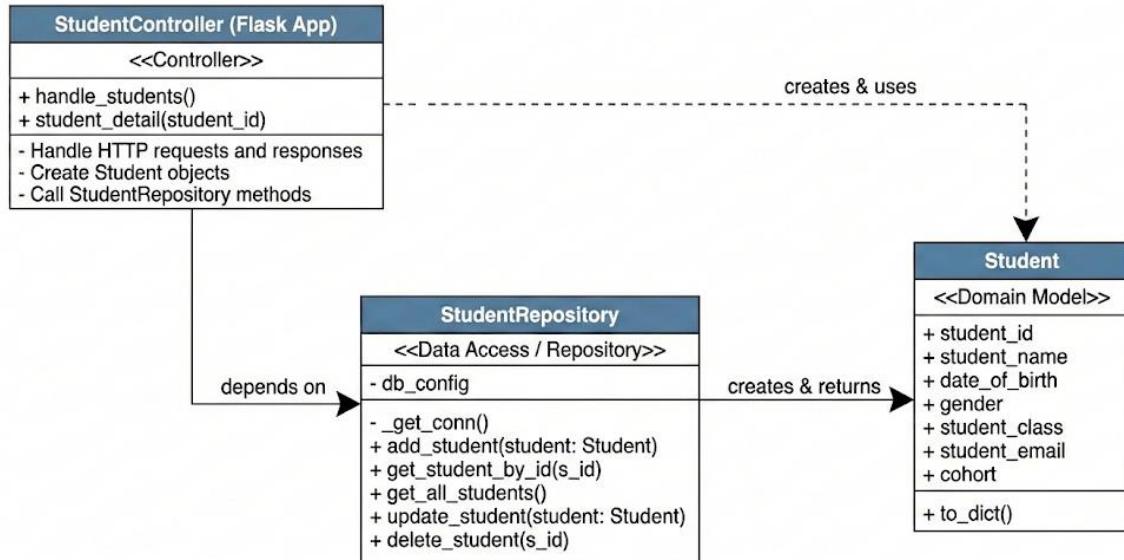


Figure presents the C4 – Container Diagram, showing the Web Application, the set of backend microservices, and the shared MySQL database.

3.3.3 C4 – Code Level



The figure illustrates the C4 Code Level diagram of the student_service as a UML Class Diagram, describing the classes and relationships within the microservice.

3.4 Technical Stack and Data Model

❖ Technical Stack

The Academic Management System is implemented using the following technologies:

Frontend:

- + Vanilla JavaScript (ES6+) for client-side logic and dynamic DOM manipulation, providing a lightweight Single Page Application (SPA) experience.
- + HTML5 and CSS3 for structure and presentation.
- + Fetch API for asynchronous RESTful communication with backend services.

Backend:

- + Python Flask is used to implement all microservices.
- + Each service exposes RESTful APIs using JSON over HTTP and runs independently on a dedicated port.

Database:

- + MySQL is used as the relational database management system.
- + The system currently employs a centralized database schema (sa), which is physically shared across services.

Communication:

- + Synchronous HTTP communication is used between the Frontend and backend Microservices.
- + Certain non-critical operations, such as email notifications, are handled asynchronously using background threads. In this case, the Grade Service initiates a non-blocking HTTP request to the Email Service to avoid delaying user-facing operations.

❖ Data Model

All microservices interact with a centralized MySQL database schema (sa). Although the database is physically shared, data ownership is logically separated by service boundaries. Each microservice accesses and manipulates only the tables related to its own business domain.

The core domain entities include:

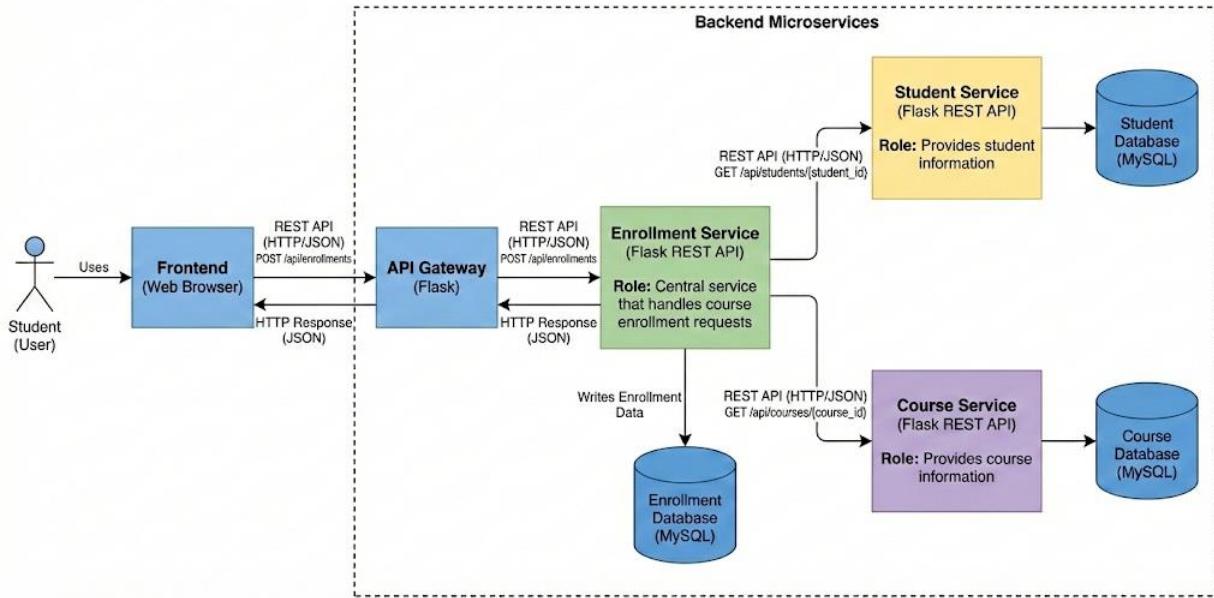
- + User (*Identity Service*): (id, username, password, role)
- + Student (*Student Service*): (student_id, name, date_of_birth, class_name, email)
- + Course (*Course Service*): (course_id, course_name, credits)
- + Enrollment (*Enrollment Service*): (enrollment_id, student_id, course_id, semester, status)
- + Grade (*Grade Service*): (grade_id, enrollment_id, attendance_score, midterm_score, final_score, total_score, letter_grade)

This design enforces clear logical data ownership while simplifying development and deployment. The

architecture is intentionally designed to be evolution-ready, allowing a future transition toward a full Database-per-Service model when system scale and operational requirements increase.

3.5 Implementation Design

3.5.3 Enrollment Service – Core Coordination Logic



The figure illustrates the detailed architecture for the Student Course Enrollment function.

4. Testing & Verification

4.4 Functional Testing

❖ Functional Description

The Course Registration function allows students to select and register for courses during the semester. The system requires students to confirm their choice before registering and displays a result notification upon successful registration.

❖ Test Case – Course Registration

Test Case ID	Feature Name	Test Description	Prerequisite	Input Data / Actions	Expected Result	Actual Result	Status
TC_EN_R_01	Confirm Course Registration	Student selects a course to register.	Student is logged in.	Click the “Register” button on the course	A registration confirmation popup	The “Confirm Registration” popup is	Pass

				<i>Basic English 2.</i>	appears.	displayed with correct content.	
TC_EN R_02	Cancel Registration	Student cancels the registration action.	Confirmation popup is displayed.	Click the “Cancel” button.	The popup closes; the course is not registered.	The course was not registered.	Pass
TC_EN R_03	Confirm Registration	Student confirms the course registration.	Confirmation popup is displayed.	Click the “Confirm” button.	The system processes the course registration.	The registration was processed successfully.	Pass
TC_EN R_04	Successful Registration Notification	Check the notification after registration.	Registration is successful.	Observe the system.	Display message: “Registered for course ... successfully”.	The notification is displayed correctly.	Pass
TC_EN R_05	Update Registered Courses List	Check the list after registration.	Registration is successful.	Access the “Course Registration” page.	The course appears in the list of registered courses.	The list is updated correctly.	Pass
TC_EN R_06	Update Class Count & Credits	Check summary information.	Course has been registered.	Observe summary information.	The number of classes and total credits increase accordingly.	Displayed: “Registered Classes: 6 – Total Credits: 25”.	Pass

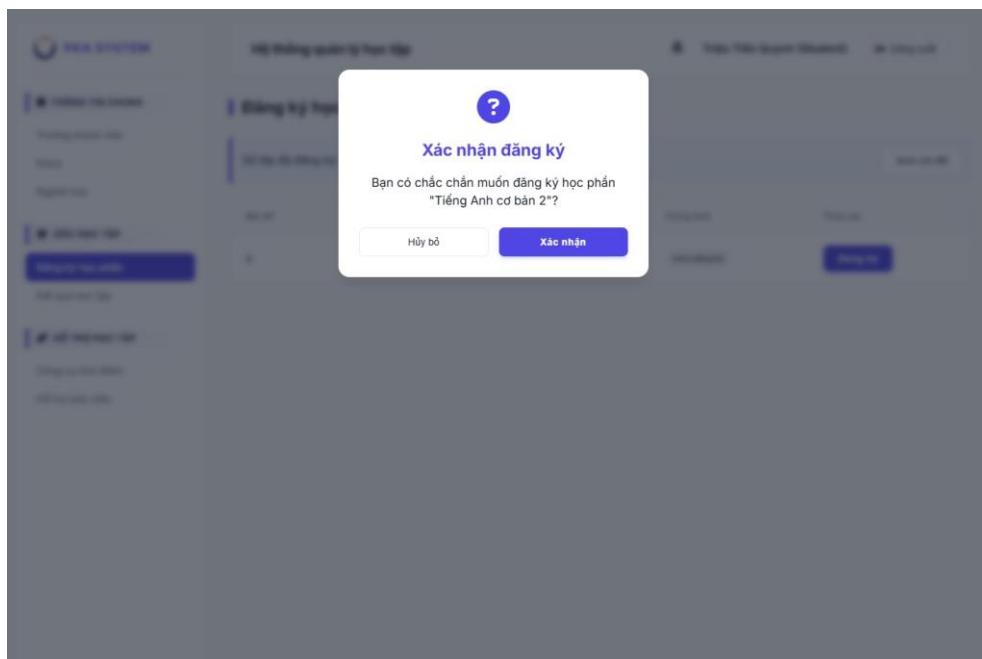
❖ Test Result Comments

The Course Registration function operates correctly according to requirements.

The system displays a clear confirmation popup, preventing accidental registrations.

Upon successful registration, notifications and data are updated accurately on the user interface.

The function effectively meets the business requirements for student course registration.



The figure illustrates Course Registration Interface (Student View)

A screenshot of a web interface showing a successful course registration message. At the top, there's a header bar with 'Hệ thống quản lý' (Management system), a green checkmark icon, 'Đăng ký học phần Tiếng Anh cơ bản 2 thành công' (Registration of English basic 2 subject successful), a bell icon, 'Triệu Tiến Quỳnh (Student)', and a 'Đăng xuất' (Logout) button. Below this, a section titled 'Đăng ký học phần' (Register subject) shows a summary: 'Số lớp đã đăng ký: 6' (Number of registered classes: 6) and 'Tổng số tín chỉ: 25' (Total credit points: 25). A 'Xem chi tiết' (View details) button is next to this summary. A table below lists subjects with columns: Mã HP (Subject code), Tên học phần (Subject name), Số tín chỉ (Credit points), Trạng thái (Status), and Thao tác (Actions). A note at the bottom states: 'Bạn đã đăng ký tất cả học phần hiện có' (You have registered all current subjects).

The figure illustrates "Registration Successful" notification on web interface