# Citizen Science App API Documentation

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#### Base URL

```
https://capstone-deploy-production.up.railway.app
```

All requests MUST include credentials for login routes and sessions:

```
Example:
fetch('https://capstone-deploy-production.up.railway.app/add-project',
{
    method: 'POST',
    headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json', },
    credentials: 'include',
    body: JSON.stringify({
        project_code: 'P8989',
        title: 'Test Project',
        description: 'This is a test project',
        instructions: 'Follow these steps',
    }),
}) .then((response) => { if (!response.ok ...
```

# **Users**

## Register New User

```
End point: /auth/register
Method: POST
Description: Registers a new user by accepting necessary details and creating an account.

Request Example (JSON)
{
    "username": "testuser". **must be unique
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```
"password": "testpassword",
  "email": "testuser@example.com",
  "first_name": "Test",
  "last_name": "User",
  "school": "Test School"
}
Response
201 Created:
{"success": true, "message": "Registration successful"}
Login
End point: /auth/login
Method: POST
Description: Logs in an existing user by verifying username and
password.
Request Example (JSON)
{
  "username": "newuser",
  "password": "newpassword"
}
Response
200 OK:
{"success": true, "message": "Login successful"}
Logout
End point: /auth/logout
Method: POST
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Logs out the currently authenticated user.
```

```
Response
201 OK:
{"success": true}
Get User Information
End point: /auth/user/<user_id>
Method: GET
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Retrieves information about a specific user by user ID.
Reponse
200 OK:
  "user_id": 1,
  "username": "newuser",
  "email": "newuser@example.com",
  "first_name": "New",
  "last_name": "User",
  "school": "Test School"
}
Update User Information
End point: /auth/update-user/<user_id>
Method: PUT
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Updates the details of a specific user.
Request Example (JSON)
  "email": "updateduser@example.com",
  "first_name": "Updated",
  "last_name": "User",
  "school": "Updated School"
}
```

```
Response
200 OK:
{"success": true, "message": "User updated"}
Delete User
End point: /auth/delete-user/<user_id>
Method: DELETE
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Deletes a user account based on the user ID.
Response
201 OK:
{"success": true, "message": "User deleted"}
Projects
View All User Projects
End point: /user-projects
Method: GET
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Retrieves all projects associated with the currently
logged-in user.
Response
201 OK with a list of projects:
  {
    "project_id": 1,
    "created_at": "2023-11-13T00:00:00",
    "project_code": "TEST123",
    "title": "Test Project",
    "description": "Test Description",
    "instructions": "Test Instructions",
    "created_by": 7
```

```
}
Add New Project
End point: /add-project
Method: POST
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Creates a new project associated with the currently
logged-in user.
Request Example (JSON)
  "project_code": "TEST123", **must be unique
  "title": "Test Project",
  "description": "Test Description",
  "instructions": "Test Instructions"
}
Response
201 Created:
  "success": true,
  "project": {
    "project_id": 1,
    "created_at": "2023-11-13T00:00:00",
    "project_code": "TEST123",
    "title": "Test Project",
    "description": "Test Description",
    "instructions": "Test Instructions",
    "created_by": 7
  }
}
```

# **Get Project Details**

```
End point: /project/ject_id>
Method: GET
Auth Required: No
Description: Retrieves details for a specific project.
Response
201 OK with project details:
  "success": true,
  "project": {
    "project_id": 1,
    "created_at": "2023-11-13T00:00:00",
    "project_code": "TEST123",
    "title": "Test Project",
    "description": "Test Description",
    "instructions": "Test Instructions",
    "created_by": 7
  }
}
Update Project
End point: /update-project/project_id>
Method: PUT
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Updates the specified project's details. The project must
belong to the logged-in user.
Request Example (JSON)
  "project_code": "TEST123", **must be unique
  "title": "Updated Title",
  "description": "Updated Description",
  "instructions": "Updated Instructions"
}
```

```
Response
200 OK:
{"success": true, "message": "Project updated"}
Delete Project
End point: /delete-project/project_id>
Method: DELETE
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Deletes the specified project if it belongs to the
logged-in user.
Response
201 OK:
{"success": true, "message": "Project deleted"}
Forms
Show All Forms for Current User
End point: /forms
Method: GET
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Retrieves all form templates associated with projects
owned by the current user.
Response
201 OK: Returns a list of form templates with associated fields.
  {
     "form_id": 2,
     "created_at": "2023-11-15T13:45:30",
     "description": "Sample Form for Project",
     "created_by": 89,
     "fields": [
       {
```

```
"field_id": 1,
    "field_title": "Observation Notes",
    "field_type": "text",
    "field_description": "Enter notes about the observation",
    "field_options": null,
    "field_order": 1,
    "is_required": true,
    "form": project_id
    }
]
}
```

# Add New Form Template

```
End point: /add-form
Method: POST
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Creates a new form template for a specified project with
associated fields.
Request Example (JSON)
  "project_id": 6,
  "description": "Sample Form",
  "fields": [
       "field_title": "Observation Notes",
       "field_type": "text",
       "field_description": "Enter notes about the observation",
       "field_options": null,
       "field_order": 1,
       "is_required": true
     },
       "field_title": "Observation Type",
       "field_type": "dropdown",
       "field_description": "Select the type of observation",
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"field_options": ["Temp", "Humidity", "Wind Speed"],
       "field_order": 2,
       "is_required": true
     }
 ]
}
Response
201 Created: Returns the newly created form template with associated
fields.
  {
     "success": true,
     "message": "Form and fields added",
     "form": {
       "form_id": 1,
       "created_at": "2023-11-15T13:45:30",
       "description": "Sample Form",
       "created_by": 89,
       "project_id": 6,
       "fields": [
           {
             "field_id": 1,
             "field_title": "Observation Notes",
             "field_type": "text",
             "field_description": "Enter notes about the observation",
             "field_options": null,
             "field_order": 1,
             "is_required": true
           },
             "field_id": 2,
              . . . # continues . . .
           }
        ]
      }
    }
```

### Retrieve a Specific Form Template

Special Instructions:

```
End point: /form/<form_id>
Method: GET
Auth Required: No
Description: Retrieves details for a specific form template by
form_id, including associated fields.
Response
201 OK: Returns the specified form template details..
  "form_id": 1,
  "created_at": "2023-11-15T13:45:30",
  "description": "Sample Form",
  "created_by": 89,
  "project_id": 6,
  "fields": [
     "field_id": 1,
     "field_title": "Observation Notes",
     "field_type": "text",
     "field_description": "Enter notes about the observation",
     "field_options": null,
     "field_order": 1,
     "is_required": true
  ]
Update Form Template
End point: /update-form/<form_id>
Method: PUT
Auth Required: Yes
Description: Updates the details of a specified form template,
including associated fields.
```

```
Update a Field: include the field_id and attributes
Add a New Field: include all attributes, will not have field_id
Delete a Field: do NOT include this item, the backend will deactivate the field.

Request Example (JSON)
{
```

```
"description": "Updated Form Description",
  "fields": [
     {
     "field_id": 1,
                                       # updates current field
     "field_title": "Updated Field Title",
     "field_type": "text",
     "field_order": 1,
     "is_required": true
     },
     "field_title": "New Field", # adds new field
     "field_type": "dropdown",
     "field_order": 2,
     "is_required": false,
     "field_options": ["Option1", "Option2"]
     }
 ]
}
Response
200 OK: Returns the updated form template with associated fields.
{
  "success": true,
  "message": "Form and fields updated",
  "form": {
     "form_id": 1,
     "description": "Updated Form Description",
     "fields": [
     "field_id": 1,
```

```
"field_title": "Updated Field Title",
    "field_type": "text",
    "field_order": 1,
    "is_required": true
    },
    {
        "field_id": 2,
        "field_title": "New Field",
        "field_type": "dropdown",
        "field_order": 2,
        "is_required": false,
        "field_options": ["Option1", "Option2"]
    }
    ]
}
```

# **Delete Form Template**

End point: /delete-form/<form\_id>

Method: DELETE
Auth Required: Yes

Description: Deletes a specific form template by form\_id.

#### Response

201 OK:

{"success": true, "message": "Form deleted"}

# **Observations**

# Show Observations for Project Code

End point: /show-observations

Method: GET

Auth Required: No (session-based project identification)

**Description**: Retrieves all observations for the project currently set in the session.

#### Response

```
200 OK: Returns a JSON object with project details and associated
observations.
{ "project":
  {
    "project_id": 6,
    "project_code": "proj_code_6",
    "title": "Sample Project",
    "description": "This is a sample project",
    "created_by": 10
  },
  "observations": [
     {
       "observation_id": 1,
       "created_at": "2023-11-15T13:45:30",
       "student_identifier": "STUDENT123",
       "image_url": "http://example.com/image.jpg",
       "project_id": 6,
       "observation_values": [
          {
            "observation_value_id": 1,
            "value": "Sample value",
            "field": 3
          },
            "observation_value_id": 2,
            "value": "Another value",
            "field": 4
          }
        ]
      }
   ]
}
```

#### Add Observation

```
End point: /add-observation
Method: POST
Auth Required: No
Description: Adds a new observation for a specified project and
includes associated observation values.
Request Example (JSON)
  "project_id": 6,
  "student_identifier": "STUDENT123", *optional
  "image_url": "http://example.com/image.jpg", *optional
  "observation_values": [
     {
        "value": "Sample value",
        "field": 3
     },
        "value": "Another value",
        "field": 4
     }
   ]
}
Response
201 Created: Returns the created observation with associated values.
  "success": true,
  "message": "Observation added",
  "observation": {
  "observation_id": 1,
  "created_at": "2023-11-13T22:25:09",
  "student_identifier": "STUDENT123",
  "image_url": "http://example.com/image.jpg",
  "project_id": 6,
  "observation_values": [
```

```
{
           "observation_value_id": 1,
           "value": "Sample value",
           "field": 3
        },
           "observation_value_id": 2,
           "value": "Another value",
           "field": 4
        }
   }
}
Get Observation by ID
End point: /observation/<observation_id>
Method: GET
Auth Required: No
Description: Retrieves details of a specific observation by its ID.
Response
200 OK: Returns the observation with associated values.
  "observation_id": 1,
  "created_at": "2023-11-13T22:25:09",
  "student_identifier": "STUDENT123", *optional
  "image_url": "http://example.com/image.jpg", *optional
  "project_id": 6,
  "observation_values": [
     {
        "observation_value_id": 1,
        "value": "Sample value",
        "field": 3
     },
        "observation_value_id": 2,
```

```
"value": "Another value",
    "field": 4
    }
]
```

# Get User Projects with Observations

End point: /user-projects-with-observations

Method: GET

Auth Required: YES

**Description:** Retrieves all projects created by the logged-in user, including their associated observations and observation values.

#### Response

200 OK: Returns a list of projects with their associated observations and observation values.

```
"success": true,
"projects": [
   "project_id": 1,
   "title": "Test Project",
   "description": "Sample description",
   "observations": [
   {
         "observation_id": 101,
         "created_at": "2024-12-03T12:00:00",
         "student_identifier": "STUDENT001",
         "observation_values": [
         "observation_value_id": 1001,
         "value": "Sample Value",
         "form_field": {
              "field_id": 10,
              "field_title": "Field Name",
```

```
"field_type": "text"
           }
           }
     }
  ]
}
Update Observation by ID
End point: /update-observation/<observation_id>
Method: PUT
Auth Required: No
Description: Updates an observation's details and associated
observation values.
Request Example (JSON)
  "student_identifier": "UPDATED_STUDENT123", *optional
  "image_url": "http://example.com/updated_image.jpg", *optional
  "observation_values": [
     {
        "observation_value_id": 1,
        "value": "Updated sample value",
        "field": 3
     },
        "observation_value_id": 2,
        "value": "Updated another value",
        "field": 4
     }
   ]
```

}

```
Response
```

"success": true,

```
200 OK: Returns the updated observation with associated values.
  "success": true,
  "message": "Observation updated",
  "observation":
     "observation_id": 1,
     "created_at": "2023-11-13T22:25:09",
     "student_identifier": "UPDATED_STUDENT123",
     "image_url": "http://example.com/updated_image.jpg",
     "project_id": 6,
     "observation_values": [
        {
            "observation_value_id": 1,
            "value": "Updated sample value",
            "field": 3
        },
        {
            "observation_value_id": 2,
            "value": "Updated another value",
            "field": 4
        }
     1
   }
Delete Observation by ID
End point: /delete-observation/<observation_id>
Method: DELETE
Auth Required: No
Description: Deletes a specific observation by its ID.
Response
200 OK: Returns a success message confirming the deletion.
```

```
"message": "Observation deleted"
}
```

# Field App

## Enter Code (Field App)

End point: /enter-code

Method: POST

Auth Required: No

Description: Sets up a session by verifying the provided project code.

Returns the project ID if the code is valid.

```
Request Example (JSON)
```

```
{"code": "proj_code_6"}
```

#### Response

200 OK: Returns a success message and the project ID associated with the code.

{"success": true, "message": "Project code accepted", "project\_id": 6}

**401 Unauthorized:** Returns an error message if the project code is invalid.

{"error": "Invalid code"}

### Check Session (Field App)

End point: /check-session

Method: GET

Auth Required: No

Description: Checks if there is an active project session and returns

the project\_id if available.

```
Response
Active Session:
200 OK:
  "session_active": true,
  "project_id": 6
No Active Session:
200 OK:
  "session_active": false,
  "message": "No active session"
}
Clear Session (Field App)
End point: /clear-session
Method: GET
Auth Required: No
Description: Clears the current session and returns a confirmation
message.
Response
200 OK:
  "success": true,
  "message": "Session cleared"
}
```

# **Errors Codes & Messages**

# Codes & Messages

```
400: "Bad Request"
401: "Unauthorized"
403: "Forbidden",
404: "Not Found"
```

```
409: "Conflict"
500: "Internal Server Error"

Response Format
{"success": false, "error": {"code": code, "message": message}}
```