



GradeUP – Final Project Report



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1. Introduction

GradeUP is a Flask-based web application built to help students evaluate universities and academic programs through surveys and data collection. It serves as a feedback and analysis platform for students, administrators, and researchers to make informed decisions and improve educational offerings.

2. Team Contributions

Each team member contributed to different modules of the platform:

- Frontend: UI/UX design and Jinja templating
- Backend: Flask architecture, SQLAlchemy models, survey logic
- Admin Panel: Management tools for users, programs, and universities
- Survey System: Question types, response handling, progress tracking
- Documentation and Testing: User stories, ER diagram, and bug fixes

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3. Features Implemented

- Secure user authentication with role-based access
- University and program listings with search and filters
- Custom survey creation and results analysis
- Admin dashboard for managing users, content, and data
- Data export functionality
- Responsive, modern UI with cosmic design theme

4. Code Documentation

The codebase (showed below) follows Python documentation standards with docstrings and inline comments.

```
"""
Data Collection Models

Database models for survey data collection and storage functionality.

"""

import ...

class SurveyData(db.Model): 20 usages ▲ TPavanov21+1
    """Extended survey data storage for analytics and reporting."""
    __tablename__ = 'survey_data'

    id = db.Column(db.Integer, primary_key=True)
```

```
"""
Data Export Module

Handles exporting survey data in various formats (CSV, JSON, Excel).

"""

import ...

class DataExporter: 1 usage ▲ TPavanov21+1
    """Handles data export operations in various formats."""

    @staticmethod 1 usage ▲ TPavanov21
    def export_to_csv(survey_data: List, filename: str = None) -> str:
        """Export survey data to CSV format."""
        if not filename:
            filename = f"survey_data_{datetime.now().strftime('%Y%m%d')}.csv"
        else:
            filename = f"survey_data_{filename}"
```

```
app.route('/status') ▲ KRRusev21
def simple_status():
    """Simple status check that always works"""
    return jsonify({
        "status": "app_running",
        "message": "Flask app is running successfully",
        "timestamp": datetime.now().isoformat()
    })

app.route('/health') ▲ KRRusev21
def health_check():
    """Health check endpoint for debugging"""
    try:
        # Check if DATABASE_URL is set
        db_url = os.environ.get('DATABASE_URL')

def save_picture(form_picture): 1 usage ▲ KRRusev21+1
    """Save uploaded picture to static/profile_pics directory"""

    if len(form_picture.read()) > 2 * 1024 * 1024:
        form_picture.seek(0)
        raise ValueError('File size must be less than 2MB')

    form_picture.seek(0)

    random_hex = os.urandom(8).hex()
    _, f_ext = os.path.splitext(form_picture.filename)
    picture_fn = random_hex + f_ext
```

5. Development Process

We followed an agile development cycle with user stories, sprints, and regular team check-ins. Progress was tracked using GitHub Projects boards. Sprint goals were defined weekly, and each iteration focused on building, testing, and refining a specific feature set.

Link to the project's User Stories: [UserStories_GradeUp.docx](#)

Screenshots of the GitHub Projects board would be included here:

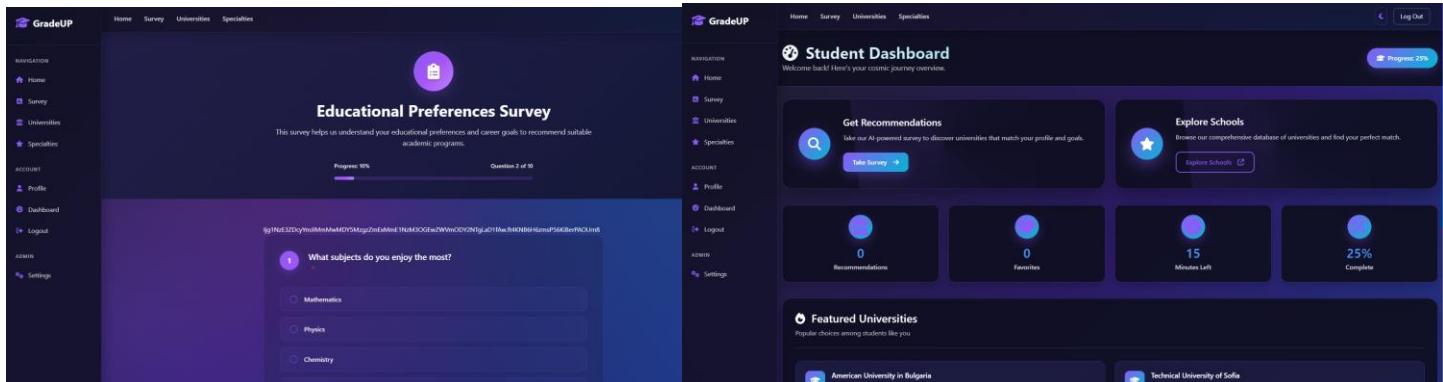
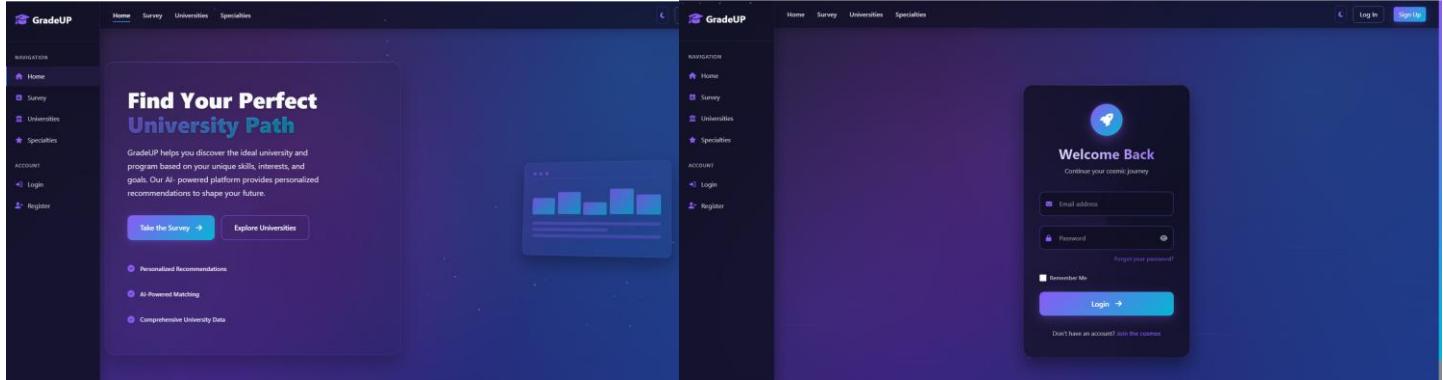
The image displays a grid of ten GitHub Projects boards, each showing a different aspect of project management:

- Initial Project Setup**: Shows a backlog of items categorized by status: Todo, In Progress, Done.
- User Profiles & Authentication**: A board for managing user profiles and authentication features.
- Final UI And Auth Enhancements**: Focuses on finalizing user interface and authentication enhancements.
- Data Collection Module**: Manages tasks related to data collection module development.
- Deployment & Diagnostics**: Handles deployment and diagnostic tasks.
- Documentation**: Manages documentation-related tasks.
- Frontend UI Development**: A detailed board for frontend development, showing tasks across Backlog, Design, Development, and Testing phases.
- Database Integration**: Manages tasks for integrating a database.

Each board includes standard GitHub navigation elements like Backlog, Team capacity, Current iteration, Roadmap, My items, and New view.

5. Screenshots

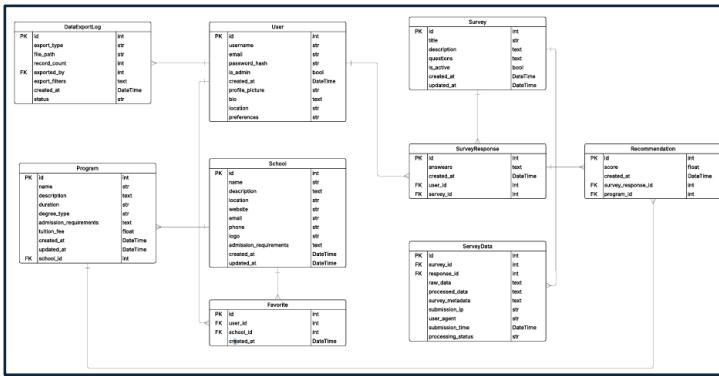
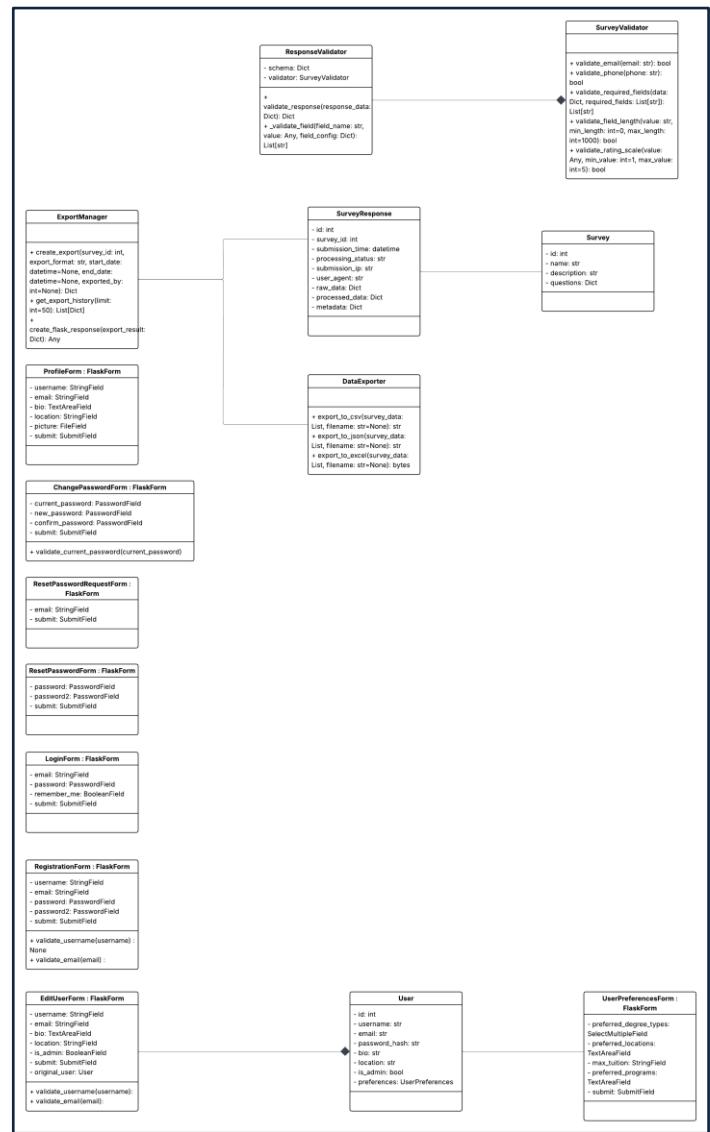
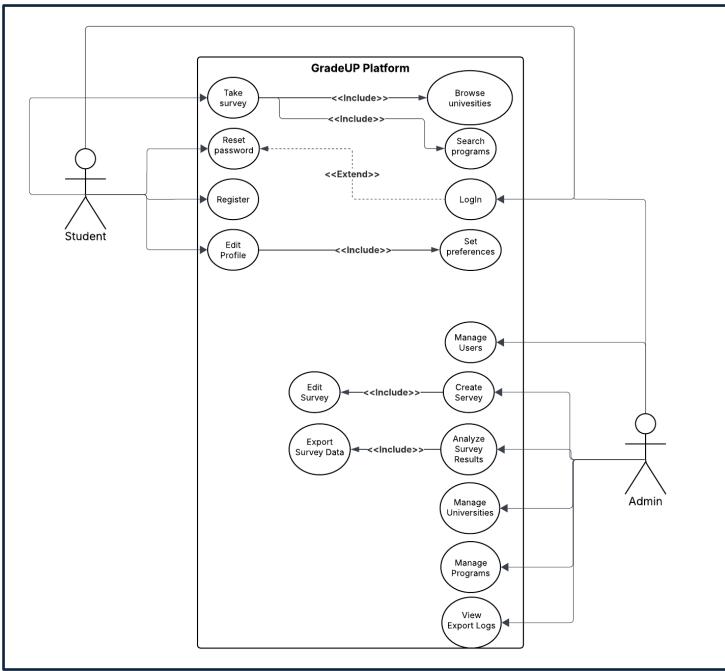
Screenshots of the UI and core features would be included here:



6. Results and Challenges

GradeUP successfully implements a complete evaluation workflow. Key challenges included managing dynamic survey structures and fixing infinite loading issues in the details modal. These were addressed through better data handling and optimized frontend rendering.

Screenshots of the UML Diagrams (Use Case, Class diagram and ERD) would be included here:



7. Conclusion

GradeUP is a functional and scalable tool for academic feedback and evaluation. It combines modern web technology with user-centric design to create value for students, educators, and researchers.

