UniConnect – Prototype Overview & User Guide

1. Prototype Access Instructions

• Prototype Link: https://www.figma.com/design/BKXte7ErYZrz0WKjaRbj1O/INFO90010---Prototype---Group-E?node-id=0-1&t=rqXKVHXEAoug2JXd-1

• Login Credentials: None required. Access via link.

• Platform Requirements: Desktop, laptop, or mobile phone (iPhone 16 pro-optimized frame). Open via Figma mobile app or web browser.

• Known Limitations: Prototype is optimized for iPhone 16 Pro device. Some interactive elements (e.g., XP rewards, navigation logic) are only visually represented but not functional. All flows are front-end only.

2. Testing Instructions

• No installation required. Open the prototype link in a browser. Ensure 100% zoom for the best experience.

• Navigate the prototype in the following order to simulate the full user journey:

1. Go to Prototype settings in Prototype tab (next to Design tab) in the right-side bar.
2. Ensure that the device/frame is set to iPhone16 Pro.
3. Click on the present button on top left of the right-side bar (beside share button) to start the prototype.
4. The simplified flow shown in Technical Demo video is as below:
    a. Feature 1: Suburb Insights – Enter location, explore recommended suburb hotspots, cultural fit score, price trends, and community reviews.
    b. Feature 2: Group Finder – Set location, test Hot Study Spot, Join Study Group, and Host Study Group subpages.
    c. Feature 3: Study Planner – Test personalized study roadmap, Rate My Course, Explore Careers, and Improve Your Skills pages.
    d. Bookmark page – View saved study spots, groups, and roadmaps.
    e. Profile, Leaderboard, and Reward – Review gamification design and engagement mechanisms.
5. If unsure which element is interactive, simply click anywhere on the screen. The elements that can be interacted with will be shown with blue highlights.

3. Core Features Description

• Suburb Insights: Offers AI-driven suburb recommendations, cultural fit scores, rental trends, and user-contributed reviews. Helps students evaluate and select a living location confidently.

• Group Finder: Map-based system to join or host study groups. Includes filters, dynamic markers, and XP-based engagement. Designed to reduce social isolation and boost collaboration.

• Study Planner: Tailors a subject roadmap based on degree and career goals. Features peer reviews, XP for task completion, career explorer, and AI-guided study paths.

4. User Needs Addressed

• Suburb Insights: Reduces confusion and risk in house-hunting. Builds student confidence and comfort in their living choice.

• Group Finder: Tackles social isolation and helps form academic connections. Provides inclusive and accessible peer collaboration.

• Study Planner: Addresses course-to-career ambiguity. Empowers students to reflect, plan, and progress toward academic and professional success.

5. Supporting Links

• Prototype: https://www.figma.com/design/BKXte7ErYZrz0WKjaRbj1O/INFO90010---Prototype---Group-E?node-id=0-1&t=rqXKVHXEAoug2JXd-1

• Technology Demo Video: https://youtu.be/jaezHIqChBU

• Final Pitch Video: https://youtu.be/rPTD4cIxsq0