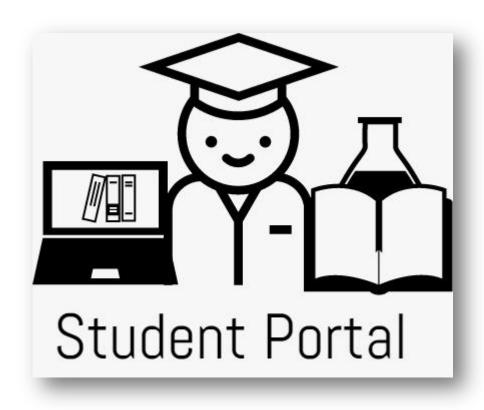
MIS 321 TERM PROJECT - GROUP 4

"STUDENT PORTAL"

Course Material Sharing and Communication Platform

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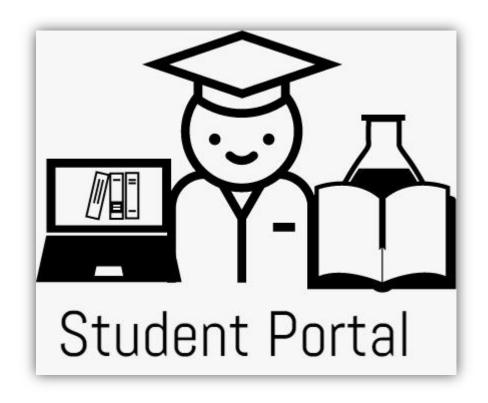
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STUDENT PORTAL / Phase 1

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	Task						
	Mode ▼	Task Name ▼	Duration 🔻	Start 🔻	Finish 🔻	Predecessor. ▼	Resource Names 🔻
1	-5	■ Phase 1	12 days	Sat 24.09.16	Wed 5.10.16		
2	*	Creating project group	2 days	Sat 24.09.16	Sun 25.09.16		Enes Emre Akbulut; Furkan Sarıca;İsmail Elkıran;
3	*	First meeting to determine topic	1 day	Tue 27.09.16	Tue 27.09.16	2	Enes Emre Akbulut; Furkan Sarıca;İsmail Elkıran;
4	*	Topic and member names sent to the instructor	1 day	Wed 28.09.16	Wed 28.09.16	3	Enes Emre Akbulut; Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran;Sercan Paçacı
5	*	Gathered to draw project schedule	2 days	Tue 4.10.16	Wed 5.10.16	4	Enes Emre Akbulut; Furkan Sarıca;İsmail Elkıran;
6	-5	■ Phase 2	4 days	Thu 6.10.16	Sun 9.10.16		
7	*	Performing investigation and search	1 day	Thu 6.10.16	Thu 6.10.16	5	Enes Emre Akbulut
8	*	Preparing and Performing interview	1 day	Fri 7.10.16	Fri 7.10.16	7	Furkan Sarıca
9	*	Preparing and Performing survey	1 day	Sat 8.10.16	Sat 8.10.16	8	İsmail Elkıran
10	*	Preparing Preliminary Investigation Report	1 day	Sun 9.10.16	Sun 9.10.16	9	Enes Emre Akbulut; Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran; Sercan Paçacı

11	- 5	△ Phase 3	13 days	Mon 10.10.16	Sat 22.10.16		
12	*	Gathered to handle the context	2 days	Mon 10.10.16	Tue 11.10.16	10	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran;Sercan Paçacı
13	*	Context diagram is drawed	2 days	Wed 12.10.16	Thu 13.10.16	12	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran;Sercan Paçacı
14	*	Revised Control	1 day	Fri 21.10.16	Fri 21.10.16	13	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca;İsmail
15	*	Necessary Corrections After Revision	2 days	Fri 21.10.16	Sat 22.10.16	14	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran; Sercan Paçacı
16	-5	△ Phase 4	13 days	Mon 24.10.16	Sat 5.11.16		
17	*	Drawing data flow diagrams	6 days	Mon 24.10.16	Sat 29.10.16	15	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran;Sercan Paçacı
18	*	Revised Control	1 day	Tue 1.11.16	Tue 1.11.16	17	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca;İsmail
19	*	Necessary Corrections After Revision	4 days	Wed 2.11.16	Sat 5.11.16	18	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran; Sercan Paçacı
20	-5	△ Phase 5	6 days	Mon 21.11.16	Sat 26.11.16		
21	*	Preparing Data Dictionary	6 days	Mon 21.11.16	Sat 26.11.16	19	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran;Sercan Paçacı
22	5	△ Phase 6	14 days	Mon 28.11.16	Sun 11.12.16		
23	*	Input and Output Design and Menu Hierarchy	14 days	Mon 28.11.16	Sun 11.12.16	21	Enes Emre Akbulut;Furkan Sarıca; İsmail Elkıran; Sercan Paçacı



Introduction

Usage of web based sources in college

As a known fact use of internet is growing rapidly for the past 20 years. As a result of this, students all across the world using internet, web based sources in order to gain knowledge and to get help when they got stuck. There are already dozens of pages or applications which helps those students in their progress. Our aim is to create a web portal where students can help each other. We know that the best way to gain as a whole is to share.

This portal of ours that willed to create is going to have some extras which will make it useful. As stated; already, there are a lot of pages and applications which do some actions about source sharing or educating students via videos or PDF documents etc. But this project of ours is going to have some features which some of mentioned apps or pages lack of or can't function properly. As it is going to be shown with survey results in following pages even tough students have some sources now, they want or may want them to be improved. The basic idea lays under it is that all those students could have reach all information from libraries or encyclopedias but this way is like we can guess; costly, time consuming and hard which leads us to the conclusion: people want to ease the way through the knowledge. Result is, we do have some ways to gain information but they are not efficient, effective or easy enough.

As we found out in our survey, more than 96% of the participants are willing or may be willing to use a more efficient platform such like the one we are going to create and again more than 93% of them are willing or may be willing to share their sources in such platform. This reports that what we are trying to do is actually what people want to be done.

Also this platform we are trying to create is going to serve the ability to connect with source owners. In this way any problems that users can face in progress of the gathering information in any subject of their interest is going to be solved. In addition to that, users are going to be discussing some topics which allow us to have a platform with features of a forum type website. This one also increasing communication; which we cannot see in any other platforms, basically functioning in a close way to ours.

People can vote or get voted in our design. So that users can have trust interval for whom they want to use source from. Also with a well - categorized, well - organized system, we are aiming to have a portal eases to find what users want to find. With a category users are going to be able to report what they need and other users can satisfy that need.

As told, we desire to build a better system, and students want/need that type of system. We are working on feasible and helpful solutions. We are hoping that this project will help many and be a place where students will enjoy.

System Request Summary

Purpose of our project is to provide a comfortable and interactive platform where university students can easily reach and share all kinds of course related materials and communicate with each other.

So, our system basically covers these requirements; at first users have to register to get benefited from the system and to feed it as well. Since the system will serve each university department separately, distinct pages will be created for prep, freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior students (e.g. MIS 1st Class, MIS 2nd, MIS 3rd). So, every class will visit related pages and feed that class by uploading their notes, pdf sources and documents. In this way, a dynamic database will be set and sustained by students.

In order to create network among students, it will be possible to form pages in which users can leave message, announcement, demand, question etc. and other users can reply and help that users.

Preliminary Investigation Findings

Survey

We created an online survey to understand students' study habits and willingness to share their own study materials. Also we tried to learn their opinions on online platforms which they are used to reach or share study notes and materials.

Survey Link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjBpTIEJUWN9B_7VwT5HdklkTgCRPhN5qkJ8k3 NDwk9H4ctA/viewform

91 participants participated our survey in different genders. First of all we try to learn their habbits for studying and willingness to share their own study notes.

Lütfen aşağıdaki seçeneklerden size göre en uygun olanları seçiniz. *

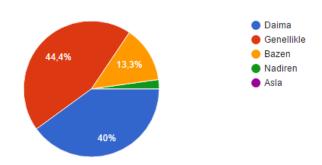
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The results show that more than half of the participants think that as only source, their own study notes are not enough to getting prepared for the exams. We can see that students need other people's notes to feel fully ready for exams. Again, more than half of the participants think that the conventional methods (copy, books etc.) don't provide enough source for preparing exams and they need other sources for reaching study notes. Also, we see that most of the students (47 students) are willing to share their own notes with others and 71 students think that sharing study notes with others don't have effect on their own success. In addition, students (66 students) are more willing to share their notes, after they pass that lesson.

Then we tried to learn how students use internet to reach study materials and we saw that the great majority of students use internet to search and find study materials.

Derslerinizle ilgili kaynak, materyal ve notlara erişim için interneti ne sıklıkla kullanıyorsunuz?

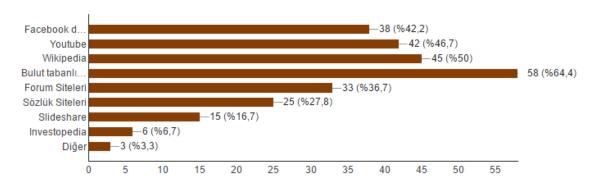
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In another two questions, we tried to learn which internet platforms are used to reach study materials and which kind of study materials are preferred by students.

Derslerinizle ilgili materyal ve dokümanlara ulaşmak için kullandığınız online platformlar nelerdir?

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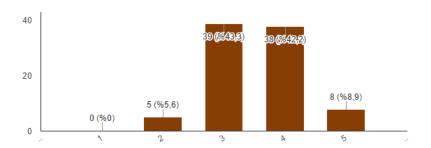


As we found out, large majority of students look for online PDF sources and study notes. Also we found that students mostly use social platforms and cloud based storage

(Dropbox, Google Drive etc.) to reach that study materials. So we can say that a platform which can provide file sharing and communication among users could provide students to reach most of their study needs.

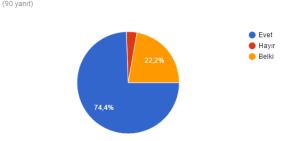
Finally we tried to learn students' satisfaction on existing online platforms that they already use and their willingness to use our project for finding and sharing study notes and communicating with others.

Bu platformlar aradığınız kaynaklara ulaşmanızda ne derece yardımcı oluyor?

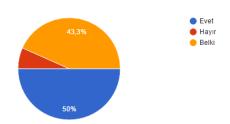


Student are highly satisfied with existing platforms, they use several online platforms to find and share study materials and they think these platforms are useful.

Bu platformlara alternatif olarak daha özgün bir şekilde ders notu ve kaynak paylaşımı yapılan ve kullanıcılar arasında iletişimi sağlayan online bir ortam olsaydı kullanır mıydınız?



Elinizdeki notları ve faydalı materyalleri böyle bir ortamda diğer kullanıcılarla paylaşır mıydınız?



Although students are highly satisfied with existing platforms, they are also willing to use a specific platform which only provides study notes sharing and communicating with others. Also majority of students are willing to share their own notes on that kind of platform.

As a result we can say that students highly use internet platforms to search and find study materials and they are highly satisfied with ability of searching and finding study materials on online platforms. Also they are willing to use and contribute a specific platform for these purposes.

Cost Estimation

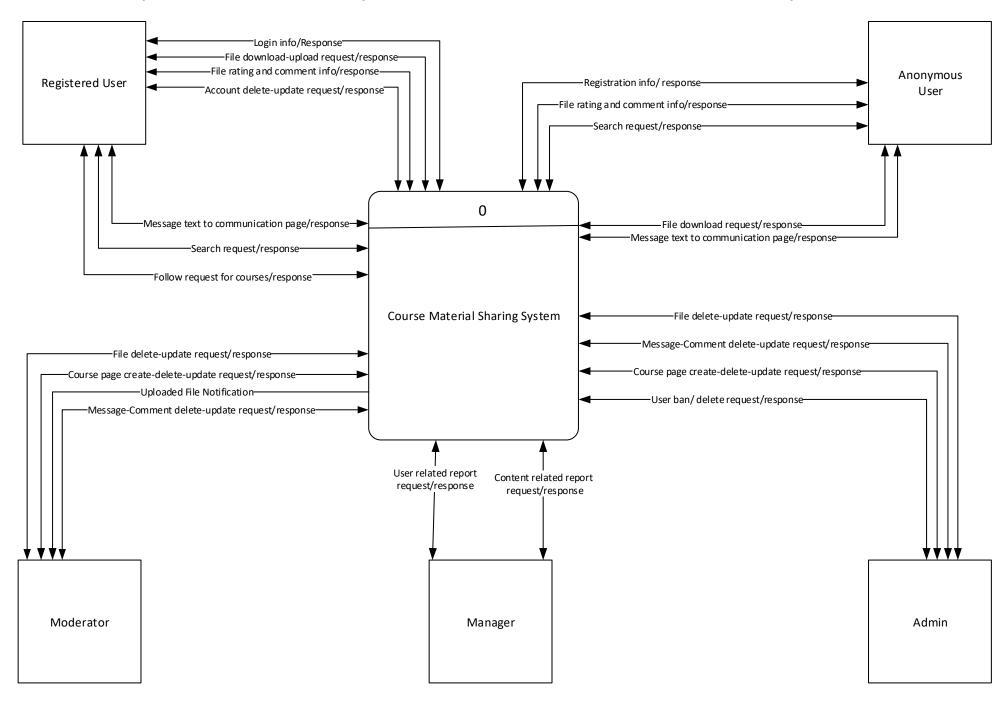
To start project we need very few requirements such as domain name (approx.8-15 \$) and virtual private server (approx. 15-20 \$). As project grows, we will be needing better servers such as virtual dedicated servers or physical servers so we can say most costly thing in our project will be maintaining and running servers. (Labor costs doesn't estimated)

Expected Benefits

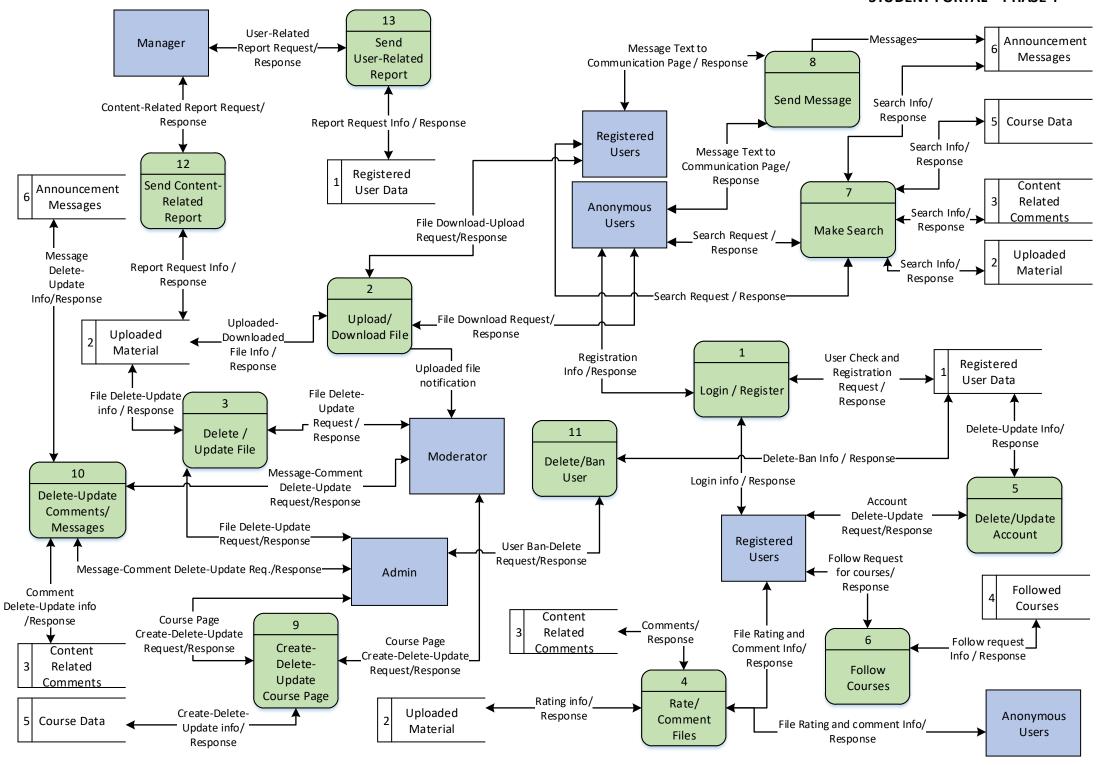
With this new student portal, students will access to materials and share own files more easily and the system may lead students to spent less time on searching course related materials. Also putting ads aimed at students on website we have chance to make profit.

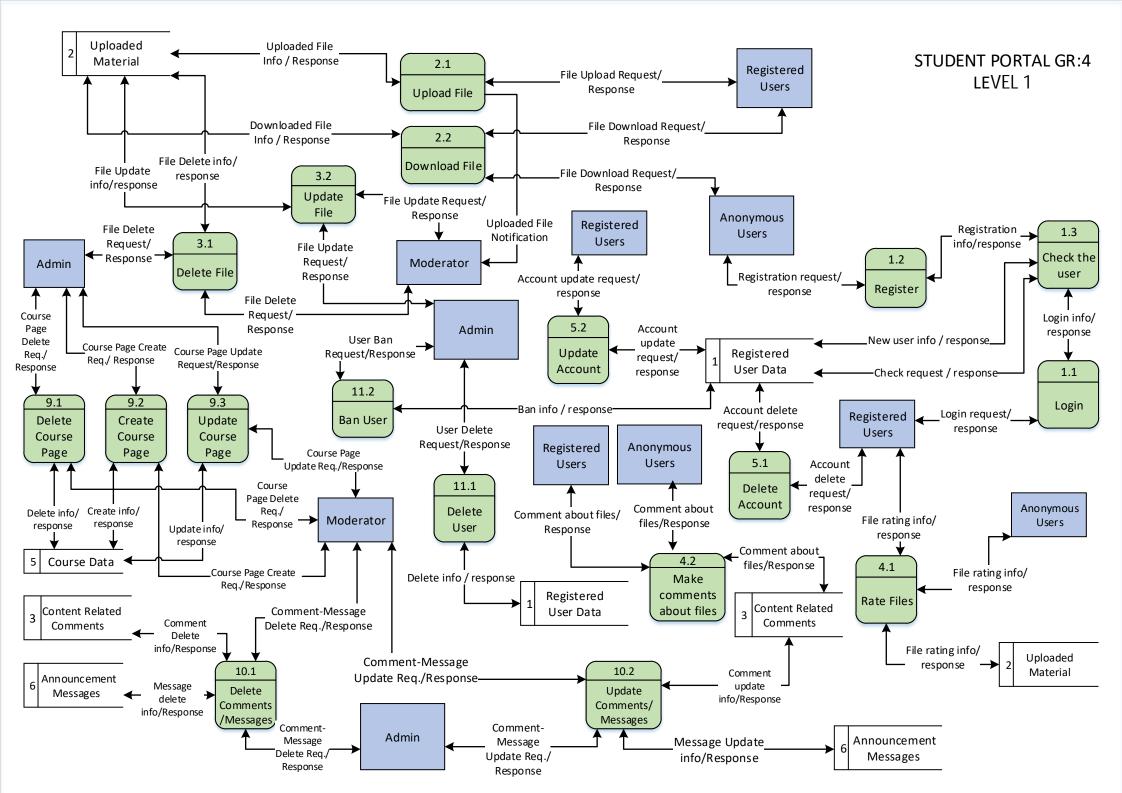
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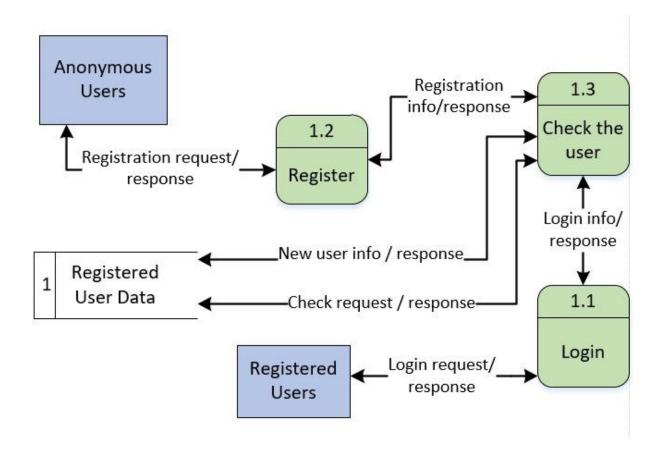
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STUDENT PORTAL - PHASE 4







EXTERNAL ENTITY DESCRIPTION FORM		
Entry Type: External Entity		
Name: Registered Users		
Label: Registered Users	Alias: Web Site User	
Input Data Flow: Login response		
Output Data Flow: Login info		
DESCRIPTION		

'Registered Users' external entity resembles the users who wants to download or upload studying materials. Registered user also can update or delete their accounts, rate files, make comments etc. Registered User enters the website, logins, and browses to find materials they need. Registered User entity consists of both existing

and new user.

COMMENT/NOTES

The system identifies two type of users: Registered Users and Anonymous Users. The main difference between them is permission to upload a material. Thus, only registered users can upload and share materials although both have downloading, rating files, making comment abilities.

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Alias: Web Site User	
es the users who wants to only se comments. Anonymous use mous user wants to upload file	
	es the users who wants to only te comments. Anonymous use

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM	
Entry Type: Data Flow	
Name: Registration Request	
Label: Registration Request	Alias: Registration Request
Origin: Anonymous User	Destination: Process 1.2: Register
VOLUME AND FREQUENCY	
Number of registration info requests.	
DESCRIPTION	

Registration info comes from only non-registered users (anonymous users) to register process when they want to register. Then it flows to checking process to be checked whether it is already registered or not.

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM

Entry Type: Data Flow

Name: Registration Request Response

Label: Registration Request Response Alias: Registration Request Response

Origin: Process 1.2: Register Destination: Anonymous User

VOLUME AND FREQUENCY

Number of registration info requests.

DESCRIPTION

Registration request response info comes from register process to only non-registered users (anonymous users). It contains data about registration process result.

COMMENT/NOTES

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM		
Entry Type: Data Flow		
Name Registration Info		
Label: Registration Info	Alias: Registration Info	
Origin: Process 1.2: Register	Destination: Process 1.3: Check	c the user
VOLUME AND FREQUENCY		
Number of registration info requests.		
DESCRIPTION		
Format checked user registration data.		

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM Entry Type: Data Flow

Name: Registration Info Response

Label: Registration Info ResponseAlias: Registration Info Response

Origin: Process 1.3: Check the user **Destination:** Process 1.2: Register

VOLUME AND FREQUENCY

Number of registration response requests

DESCRIPTION

If there is not any user account matched with registration info, the new user is registered and user is informed. If there is a user account matched with registration info then send a message to user: 'you are already registered, please login'

COMMENT/NOTES

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM			
Entry Type: Data Flow			
Name: New User Info			
Label: New User Info	Alias: New User Info		
Origin: Process 1.3: Register	Destination: Data Sto	re D1: Re	egistered User Data

VOLUME AND FREQUENCY

Number of new user info requests are depending on number of new users count.

DESCRIPTION

Information about users who are not registered in the system are sent to datastore.

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM

Entry Type: Data Flow

Name: New User Response

Label: New User Response Alias: New User Response

Origin: Data Store D1: Registered Users Destination: Process 1.3: Check the user

Data

VOLUME AND FREQUENCY

Number of new user response requests are depending on number of new users count.

DESCRIPTION

Send a message to the new user: 'you are successfully registered'

COMMENT/NOTES

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM		
Entry Type: Data Flow		
Name: Check Request		-
Label: Check Request	Alias: Check Request	
Origin: Process 1.3: Check the User	Destination: Data Store D1: Re	egistered Users Data
VOLUME AND FREQUENCY	'	
Number of registration info + login info re	equests	
DESCRIPTION		
User information is sent to data store and	d checked whether it is registered or	not.

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM		
Entry Type: Data Flow		
Name: Check Response		
Label: Check Response	Alias: Check Response	
Origin: Data Store D1: Registered Users Data	Destination: Process 1.3: Check	k the User
VOLUME AND FREQUENCY		
Number of registration info + login info requ	ests	
DESCRIPTION		
Send a response to process 1.3: 'user is alrea	dy registered' or 'user is not exist	cs'
COMMENT/NOTES		

Alias: Login Request
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Destination: Process 1.1: Login
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username and password are correct or not..

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM

Entry Type: Data Flow

Name: Login Response

Label: Login Response Alias: Login Response

Origin: Process 1.1: Login **Destination:** Registered User

VOLUME AND FREQUENCY

Number of login info requests

DESCRIPTION

Send a response to registered user. If login request info format is not correct, send message "username or password is not in correct format"

COMMENT/NOTES

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM

Entry Type: Data Flow

Name: Login Info

Label: Login Info Alias: Login Info

VOLUME AND FREQUENCY

Number of login info requests

DESCRIPTION

It flows to Process 1.3 'check the user' in order to check that username and password are valid in database.

DATA FLOW DESCRIPTION FORM		
Entry Type: Data Flow		
Name: Login Info Response		
Label: Login Info Response	Alias: Login Info Response	
Origin: Process 1.3: Check the User	Destination: Process 1.1:Login	
VOLUME AND FREQUENCY		
Number of login info requests		
DESCRIPTION		
Send a response to registered user. If login info is correct, homepage is displayed to user. If it is not correct, Send a message to the user: 'username or password is wrong, please try again'		
COMMENT/NOTES		

PROCESS DESCRIPTION FORM	
Entry Type: Process	
Name: Login	
Label: Login	
(Process) Number: 1.1	
Input Data Flow: Login Request, Login Info Response	Output Data Flow: Login Info, Login request response
DESCRIPTION	
Takes login information from the user and checks if i then sent login info to check the user process. Takes user as Login request response	
TYPE OF PROCESS	
	nual
REF. TO NAME:	
Structured English Decision Table Dec	sision Tree
IF Username AND Password isContainsIllegalCharact	rers

RETURN ERROR " username or password is not in correct format" ELSE SEND Login info to check user process			
IF Login info response isMember RETURN message "'userName' +welcome to student portal" ELSE RETURN message "member is not found"			
COMMENT/NOTES:			
Do not use any of these common illegal characters/symbols in username and passwords:			
# pound < left angle bracket \$ dollar sign + plus sign % percent > right angle bracket ! exclamation point `backtick & ampersand * asterisk 'single quotes pipe { left bracket ? question mark "double quotes = equal sign } right bracket / forward slash : colon \ back slash blank spaces @ at sign			

PROCESS DESCRIPTION FORM			
Entry Type: Process			
Name: Register			
Label: Register	,		
(Process) Number: 1.2			
Input Data Flow: Registration Request, Registration Info Response	Output Data Flow: Registration Info, Registration Request Response		
DESCRIPTION			
Takes information about anonymous user, check new user info is in correct format or not . If new user info in correct format then send to checking process if not send error message to anonymous user. Takes response from checking process and send to anonymous user(registering a new user is completed or not).			
TYPE OF PROCESS			
◯ Online ☐ Batch ☐ Manu	ual		
REF. TO NAME:			
Structured English Decision Table Decision Tree			
COMMENT/NOTES:			
Do not use any of these common illegal characters/symbols in username and passwords:			
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\ back slash	ash blank spaces	@ at sign

PROCESS DESCRIPTION FORM			
Entry Type: Process			
Name: Check the User			
Label: Check the User			
(Process) Number: 1.3			
Input Data Flow: Login Info, Registration Info, Check response, New user info response	Output Data Flow: Login Response, Check Request, Registration Response, New user info		
DESCRIPTION			
Takes registration info from anonymous user and log data store, checks infos and sends responses to user.	=		
TYPE OF PROCESS			
◯ Online □ Batch □ Ma	nual		
REF. TO NAME:			
Structured English Decision Table Dec	ision Tree		
COMMENT/NOTES:			
DATA STORE DESCRIPTION FORM			
Entry Type: Data Store			
Name: Registered Users Data			
Label: Registered Users Data Ali	as: Registered Users Data		
DESCRIPTION:			
Data Store which contains registered users by certain processes.			
VOLUME AND FREQUENCY:			
Number of new users.			
ATTRIBUTES:			
userID, userRole, userName, userPassword, userMail			

DATA STRUCTURE DE	SCRIPTION FORM		
Entry Type: Data Struc	cture		
Name:Registered Use	rs Data		
Label: Registered Use	rs Data	Alias: Registered Use	ers Data
DESCRIPTION:			
Detailed information a	about a registered user.		
ATTRIBUTES:			
Name	Туре	Length	Required
userID	Numeric	Long Integer	Yes
userRole	Alphanumeric	20	Yes
userName	Alphanumeric	50	Yes
userPassword	Alphanumeric	12	Yes
userMail	Alphanumeric	100	No
COMMENT/NOTES:			
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DATA ELEMENT DESCRIPTION FORM			
Entry Type: Data Element			
Name: userID			
Label: userID	Alias: Place_ID		
Source: Registered Users Data	Security: Admin		
Responsible User: Admin			
DESCRIPTION:			
Unique id given to each user.			
TYPE:			
☐ Alphanumeric ☐ Date ☐ Numeric ☐ Currency			

TYPE:			
□ Base □ Derived			
VALIDATION CRITERIA:			
Continuous		Discrete	
ATTRIBUTES:			
Length:	Long Integer		
Decimal Point:			
Input Format:			
Output Format:			
Default Value:			
COMMENT/NOTES:			
userID is generated automatically starting from 1 and incremented by 1.			

DATA ELEMENT DESCRIPTION FORM				
Entry Type: Data Element				
Name: userRole				
Label: userRole	Alias: userRole			
Source: Registered Users Data	Security: Admin			
Responsible User: Admin				
DESCRIPTION:				
Roles given each user.				
TYPE:				
TYPE:				
□ Base □ Derived				
VALIDATION CRITERIA:				
Continuous	Discrete			

ATTRIBUTES:		
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Length:	20	
Decimal Point:	None	
Input Format:	None	
Output Format:	None	
Default Value:	None	
COMMENT/NOTES:		

DATA ELEMENT DESCRIPTION FORM				
Entry Type: Data Element				
Name: userName				
Label: userName		Alias: userName		
Source: Registered Users D	ata	Security: Admin		
Responsible User: Admin				
DESCRIPTION:	'			
User names.				
TYPE:				
☐ Alphanumeric ☐ Date ☐ Numeric ☐ Currency				
TYPE:				
□ Base □ Derived				
VALIDATION CRITERIA:				
Continuous		Discrete		
ATTRIBUTES:				
Length:	50			
Decimal Point:	None			
Input Format:	None			

Output Format:	None				
Default Value:	None				
COMMENT/NOTES:					
DATA ELEMENT DESCRIPTION FORM					
Entry Type: Data Element					
Name: userPassword					
Label: userPassword		Alias: userPassword			
Source: Registered Users Data		Security: Admin			
Responsible User: Admin					
DESCRIPTION:					
Users passwords					
TYPE:					
TYPE:					
□ Base □ Derived					
VALIDATION CRITERIA:					
Continuous		Discrete			
ATTRIBUTES:					
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Length: Decimal Point:	12 None	_			
Input Format:	None	-			
Output Format:	None				
Default Value:	None				
COMMENT/NOTES:					
Passwords will be generated by the user.					

DATA ELEMENT DESCRIPTION FORM					
Entry Type: Data Element					
Name: userMail					
Label: userMail		Alias: userMail			
Source: Registered Users Data		Security: Admin			
Responsible User: Admin					
DESCRIPTION:					
Users mails.					
TYPE:					
TYPE:					
□ Base □ Derived					
VALIDATION CRITERIA:					
Continuous		Discrete			
ATTRIBUTES:					
Length:	100				
Decimal Point:	None				
Input Format:	None				
Output Format:	None				
Default Value:	None				

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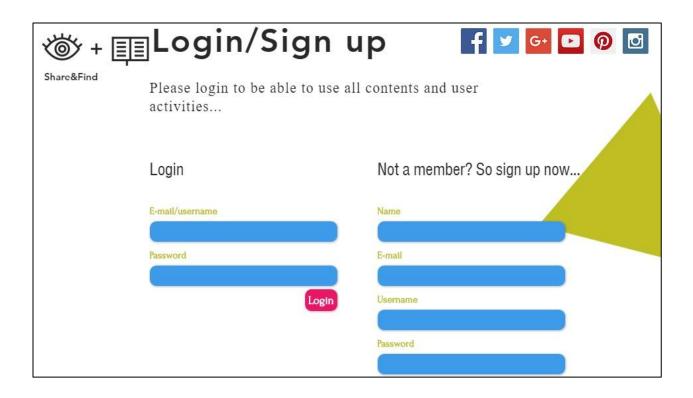
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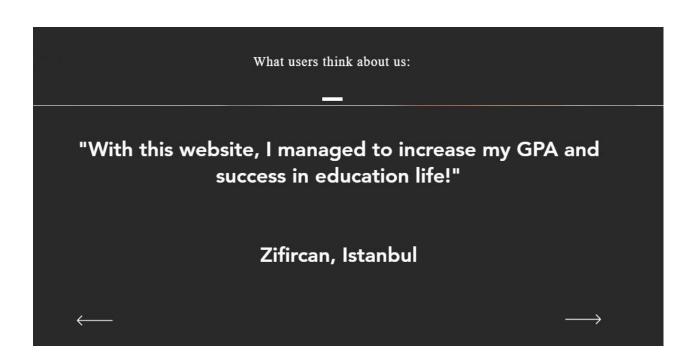
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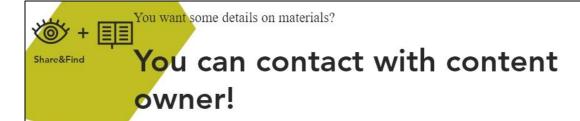
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