

Unicom Tic Management System

This is a desktop application built using C# 7.3 and WinForms to manage the academic activities of a Unicom Tic. It includes modules such as Courses, Subjects, Students, Exams, Marks, Timetables, and Attendance.

- **How to Run**

1. Open the solution file ('UnicomTic_ManagementSystem.sln') in Visual Studio.
2. Make sure the SQLite file ('unicomtic.db') is in the output directory do not use System.Data.SQLite.Core, Use “**System.Data.SQLite**”
3. Default Login Credentials

User Name: Admin

Password : 6789

1. Project Overview

- Key Features Implemented
 - User login system with three roles: **Admin, Lecturer, Student**
 - Role-based **Main Dashboard** (MainForm) with access control
 - Full CRUD functionality for:
 - Courses
 - Subjects
 - Students
 - Exams
 - Marks
 - Timetables
 - Attendance Module
 - Admin: View, edit, and delete attendance
 - Lecturer: Mark attendance by subject/date
 - Student: View own attendance records

- SQLite integration with OOP concepts (Encapsulation, Inheritance)
- Consistent UI design with error messages and field validation

- Technologies Used

- Language: C# 7.3
- Framework: Windows Forms (WinForms)
- Database: SQLite (local file-based)
- Architecture: MVC (Model–View–Controller)
- IDE: Visual Studio

- Challenges Faced & Solutions

- SQLite Database Locked Error

- **Problem:** Frequent error: The database file is locked during insert/update.
- **Solution:** Fixed by **properly disposing** connections using `conn.Dispose()` or using blocks in `DatabaseManager`.
- **Learning:** Learned about **resource management** and preventing locks in local database apps.

- Incompatible Syntax (C# 8+ in C# 7.3)

- **Problem:** Errors due to using newer C# features like `??=`, simplified async lambdas, etc.
- **Solution:** Rewrote all modern syntax (e.g., `??=`) into valid C# 7.3 alternatives.
- **Learning:** Got deeper understanding of **language version compatibility**.

- Passing Data Between Forms

- **Problem:** Couldn't pass student ID from login to attendance viewer.
- **Solution:** Passed the logged-in User object using form constructors.
- **Learning:** Learned to **share state between forms** without using static variables.

- Attendance Duplication

- **Problem:** Students were being marked present multiple times for the same subject and date.
- **Solution:** Used a **UNIQUE(StudentID, SubjectID, Date)** constraint in the table to prevent duplicate entries.
- **Learning:** Learned to design **safe database schemas** that prevent logic errors.

-DataGridView Not Refreshing:

- **Problem:** After Add/Update/Delete, the grid wasn't showing the latest data.
- **Solution:** Called `LoadData ()` after operations, and set `DataSource = null` before rebinding.
- **Learning:** Understood how WinForms DataGridView binds data and how to refresh it properly.

2. Code Samples

Below are screenshots of the most important and well-structured parts of the code.

1. Login Controller and Validation

```
1 reference
private async void btnLogin_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    string username = txtUsername.Text.Trim();
    string password = txtPassword.Text;
    var user = await controller.Login(username, password);

    if (user != null)
    {
        MessageBox.Show("Welcome, " + user.Username + " (" + user.Role + ")");
        this.Hide();
        MainForm main = new MainForm(user);
        main.Show();
    }
}

1 reference
private async void btnRegister_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    string username = txtUsername.Text.Trim();
    string password = txtPassword.Text;
    string role = cmbRole.SelectedItem?.ToString();

    if (string.IsNullOrEmpty(username) || string.IsNullOrEmpty(password) || string.IsNullOrEmpty(role))
    {
        MessageBox.Show("All fields are required for registration.");
        return;
    }

    await controller.Register(username, password, role);
}

1 reference
private void btnExit_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
}
```

(Role-based login and redirection to MainForm)

2. Course Management

```
1 reference
public async Task AddCourse(string name)
{
    try
    {
        await service.AddCourse(name);
        MessageBox.Show("Course added successfully.");
    }
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        MessageBox.Show("Error: " + ex.Message);
    }
}

1 reference
public async Task<List<Course>> GetCourses()
{
    return await service.GetAllCourses();
}

1 reference
public async Task UpdateCourse(Course course)
{
    try
    {
        await service.UpdateCourse(course);
        MessageBox.Show("Course updated successfully.");
    }
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        MessageBox.Show("Error: " + ex.Message);
    }
}

1 reference
public async Task DeleteCourse(int courseID)
{
    try
    {
        await service.DeleteCourse(courseID);
        MessageBox.Show("Course deleted successfully.");
    }
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        MessageBox.Show("Error: " + ex.Message);
    }
}
```

```
2 references
internal class CourseService
{
    private readonly DatabaseManager db = DatabaseManager.Instance;

    1 reference
    public async Task AddCourse(string courseName)
    {
        if (string.IsNullOrEmpty(courseName))
        {
            throw new ArgumentException("Course name cannot be empty.");
        }

        var course = new Course { CourseName = courseName };
        await db.AddCourseAsync(course);
    }

    1 reference
    public async Task<List<Course>> GetAllCourses()
    {
        return await db.GetCoursesAsync();
    }

    1 reference
    public async Task UpdateCourse(Course course)
    {
        if (string.IsNullOrEmpty(course.CourseName))
        {
            throw new ArgumentException("Course name cannot be empty.");
        }

        await db.UpdateCourseAsync(course);
    }

    1 reference
    public async Task DeleteCourse(int courseID)
    {
        if (courseID <= 0)
        {
            throw new ArgumentException("Invalid Course ID.");
        }

        await db.DeleteCourseAsync(courseID);
    }
}
```

(CourseController handles adding and listing courses using async logic)

3. Student Attendance

```
2 references
public class AttendanceController
{
    private readonly AttendanceService service = new AttendanceService();

    1 reference
    public async Task AddAttendance(Attendance a)
    {
        try { await service.Add(a); MessageBox.Show("Attendance added."); }
        catch (Exception ex) { MessageBox.Show("Error: " + ex.Message); }
    }

    1 reference
    public async Task<List<Attendance>> GetAttendance() => await service.GetAll();

    1 reference
    public async Task UpdateAttendance(Attendance a)
    {
        try { await service.Update(a); MessageBox.Show("Attendance updated."); }
        catch (Exception ex) { MessageBox.Show("Error: " + ex.Message); }
    }

    1 reference
    public async Task DeleteAttendance(int id)
    {
        try { await service.Delete(id); MessageBox.Show("Attendance deleted."); }
        catch (Exception ex) { MessageBox.Show("Error: " + ex.Message); }
    }
}
```

```
2 references
public partial class StudentAttendanceForm : Form
{
    private readonly AttendanceController controller = new AttendanceController();
    private readonly DatabaseManager db = DatabaseManager.Instance;

    2 references
    public StudentAttendanceForm() => InitializeComponent();

    1 reference
    private async void StudentAttendanceForm_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
    {
        cmbStatus.Items.AddRange(new string[] { "Present", "Absent", "Late", "Excused" });
        cmbStudent.DataSource = await db.GetStudentsAsync();
        cmbStudent.DisplayMember = "FullName";
        cmbStudent.ValueMember = "StudentID";
        cmbSubject.DataSource = await db.GetSubjectsAsync();
        cmbSubject.DisplayMember = "SubjectName";
        cmbSubject.ValueMember = "SubjectID";
        await LoadAttendance();
    }

    4 references
    private async Task LoadAttendance()
    {
        var list = await controller.GetAttendance();
        foreach (var a in list)
        {
            var student = await db.GetStudentByIdAsync(a.StudentID);
            var subject = await db.GetSubjectByIdAsync(a.SubjectID);
            a.StudentName = student.FullName;
            a.SubjectName = subject.SubjectName;
        }
        dgvAttendance.DataSource = null;
        dgvAttendance.DataSource = list;
    }

    1 reference
    private async void btnAdd_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
    {
        if (cmbStudent.SelectedIndex == -1 || cmbSubject.SelectedIndex == -1 || string.IsNullOrEmpty(cmbStatus.Text))
        {
            MessageBox.Show("Please fill all fields.");
            return;
        }
    }
}
```

(Lecturer marks attendance per subject and date with status options)

4. Database Connection and Queries

```
1 reference
public async Task AddAttendanceAsync(Attendance a)
{
    var conn = new SQLiteConnection(connectionString);
    await conn.OpenAsync();
    var cmd = new SQLiteCommand("INSERT INTO Attendance (StudentID, SubjectID, Date, Status) VALUES (@StudentID, @SubjectID, @Date, @Status)", conn);
    cmd.Parameters.AddWithValue("@StudentID", a.StudentID);
    cmd.Parameters.AddWithValue("@SubjectID", a.SubjectID);
    cmd.Parameters.AddWithValue("@Date", a.Date);
    cmd.Parameters.AddWithValue("@Status", a.Status);
    await cmd.ExecuteNonQueryAsync();
    conn.Dispose();
}

1 reference
public async Task<Student> GetStudentByIdAsync(int id)
{
    var conn = new SQLiteConnection(connectionString);
    await conn.OpenAsync();
    var cmd = new SQLiteCommand("SELECT * FROM Students WHERE StudentID = @id", conn);
    cmd.Parameters.AddWithValue("@id", id);
    var reader = await cmd.ExecuteReaderAsync();

    Student s = null;
    if (await reader.ReadAsync())
    {
        s = new Student
        {
            StudentID = Convert.ToInt32(reader["StudentID"]),
            FullName = reader["FullName"].ToString(),
            Gender = reader["Gender"].ToString(),
            DOB = reader["DOB"].ToString(),
            CourseID = Convert.ToInt32(reader["CourseID"]),
            SubjectID = Convert.ToInt32(reader["SubjectID"])
        };
    }
    conn.Dispose();
    return s;
}

2 references
public async Task<List<Attendance>> GetAllAttendanceAsync()
{
    // ...
}
```

(Centralized SQLite database manager with safe `using` statements)

5. Role-Based Main Dashboard

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Windows.Forms;

namespace UnicomTic_Management
{
    public partial class MainForm : Form
    {
        private User currentUser;

        1 reference
        public MainForm(User user)
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            currentUser = user;

            lblWelcome.Text = $"Welcome, {user.Username} ({user.Role})";

            // Role-based access control
            if (user.Role == "Student")
            {
                btnStudents.Enabled = false;
                btnMarks.Enabled = false;
                btnSubjects.Enabled = false;
                btnAttendance.Visible = false;
            }
            else if (user.Role == "Lecturer")
            {
                btnStudents.Enabled = false;
                btnSubjects.Enabled = false;
            }
            // Admin has access to everything

            1 reference
            private void btnCourses_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
            {
                CourseForm form = new CourseForm();
                form.ShowDialog();
            }

            1 reference
            private void btnSubjects_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
            {
                SubjectForm form = new SubjectForm();
                form.ShowDialog();
            }

            1 reference
            private void btnStudents_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
            {
            }
        }
    }
}
```

No issues found

(MainForm shows/hides buttons depending on user role (Admin, Lecturer, Student))

6. Student Attendance Viewer

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Windows.Forms;
using UnicomTic_Management.Repository;

namespace UnicomTic_Management.View
{
    3 references
    public partial class StudentViewAttendanceForm : Form
    {
        private readonly DatabaseManager db = DatabaseManager.Instance;
        private readonly int studentId;

        1 reference
        public StudentViewAttendanceForm(int studentId)
        {
            InitializeComponent();
            this.studentId = studentId;
        }

        1 reference
        private async void StudentViewAttendanceForm_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            var allAttendance = await db.GetAllAttendanceAsync(); MessageBox.Show($"Total Attendance Records: " + allAttendance.Count);
            var filtered = allAttendance.Where(a => a.StudentID == studentId).ToList();
            foreach (var a in filtered)
            {
                var subject = await db.GetSubjectByIdAsync(a.SubjectID);
                a.SubjectName = subject?.SubjectName;
            }

            dgvStudentAttendance.DataSource = null;
            dgvStudentAttendance.DataSource = filtered;
        }

        1 reference
        private void btnClose_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            this.Close();
        }

        1 reference
        private void dgvStudentAttendance_CellContentClick(object sender, DataGridViewCellEventArgs e)
        {
        }
    }
}
```

(Students can view their attendance filtered by subject and date)

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