Capstone Project – Secure Online Event Management System (SOEMS)

Objective

Design and develop a secure web application for managing events, allowing event organizers to create/manage events and participants to register for them. The system will be implemented using Spring MVC (Spring 5), REST APIs, JWT authentication, and PostgreSQL with Hibernate following a Layered Architecture pattern and using Criteria Queries for dynamic data retrieval.

Technical Requirements

- Spring MVC (Spring 5) No Spring Boot
- PostgreSQL database integration
- Hibernate ORM
- JWT-based authentication & authorization
- REST API endpoints returning JSON
- AJAX-based frontend interactions to consume REST APIs asynchronously
- Maven for dependency management
- Layered Architecture (Controller → Service → DAO → Entity)
- Criteria Query for dynamic searching/filtering
- Global Exception Handling for consistent JSON error responses

Core Requirements

User Authentication & Authorization

- JWT-based authentication for all protected endpoints.
- Role-based access control (e.g., ADMIN, USER).

CRUD Operations

• Create, Read, Update, Delete functionality for events.

Validation Requirements

- Event title: Required, min length 3, max length 100.
- Event date: Cannot be in the past.
- Location: Required, max length 255.
- Description: Optional, max length 500.
- User email: Must be unique, valid format.
- Password: Min 8 characters, must contain uppercase, lowercase, number, and special character.

Error Handling

- Consistent error response format with HTTP status codes.
- Use @ControllerAdvice and @ExceptionHandler for global exception handling.

Database Integration

• Use PostgreSQL for persistence.

API Requirements

Public Endpoints (No Auth):

- POST /register Register new user (Admin/User)
- POST /login Authenticate and return JWT

Protected Endpoints (JWT Required):

Admin:

- POST /events Create new event
- PUT /events/{id} Update event
- DELETE /events/{id} Delete event
- GET /events/{id}/participants View registered participants

User:

- POST /events/{id}/register Register for an event
- GET /my-events View registered events

Functional Requirements

User Management

- Two roles: Admin (event organizer) and User (participant).
- Registration endpoint for new users.
- Login endpoint with JWT token generation.
- Passwords securely hashed before storing.

Event Management (Admin Only)

- Create, update, delete events.
- Event details must include: Event ID, Event Name, Description, Location, Start Date & End Date, Registration Deadline, Maximum Participants Allowed.

Event Registration (User)

- View all available events (public).
- Register for an event (JWT required).
- Prevent overbooking beyond the maximum allowed participants.
- Prevent duplicate registrations for the same event.

Payment Simulation

- On event registration, simulate a payment transaction.
- Store payment details in DB: Payment ID, User ID, Event ID, Amount, Date, Status (Paid/Failed).

Reports

- Admin can view a list of all registered participants for an event.
- User can view their registered events.

Entities

- User
- Event
- Registration
- Payment

Deliverables Expected

- Fully functional web application fulfilling all core and technical requirements
- ER Diagram and Class Diagrams
- Individual documentation from each participant detailing errors faced during development and the steps taken to resolve them

Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Weightage
Functionality Implementation	30%
Validation Implementation	15%
JWT Authentication & Authorization	15%
Database Design (ERD, Class Diagram)	10%
Naming Conventions, Module separation and Comments	10%
Documentation Completeness	10%
New Features Implemented Beyond Requirements	10%