MINGZHAO YU_300435050_Student Management Report

Repo Link

https://github.com/ivanivan999/student management

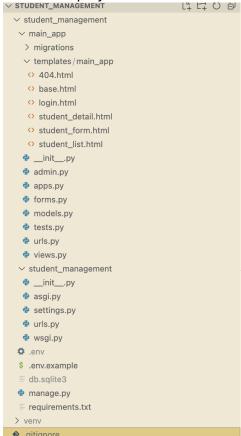
Overview

The Student Management System is a Django web app for efficiently managing student records, offering features for listing, searching, viewing, creating, and updating records. It includes Bootstrap styling and a custom 404 error page for handling missing records.

Project Setup

First, set up a Django project with a virtual environment to ensure consistency. Then, create a student management app called "main." After activating the environment, install the necessary requirements, set your secret key, apply migrations, and run the server. More details on README documentation.

Here is the project structure for the student management app:

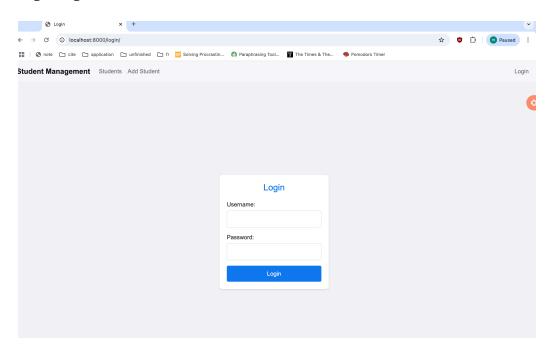


Challenges Encountered

- 1. Unfamiliar with Django's project structure: I spent time understanding the relationship between projects and apps.
- 2. Integrating Bootstrap for styling: find difficulties on pagination to display record counts and allow users to choose the number of records per page.
- 3. Environment Variable Configuration: Faced issues with reading the SECRET_KEY from the .env file, which I resolved by correcting the formatting—removing spaces around the = sign.
- 4. Custom 404 Page: To properly display the custom 404 page, I set DEBUG=False and configured handler404 in urls.py.

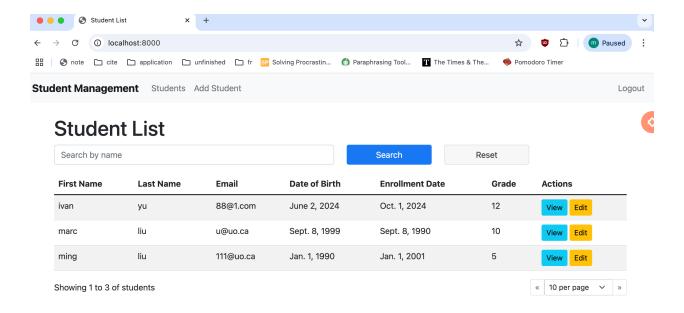
Features

Login Page



Student List

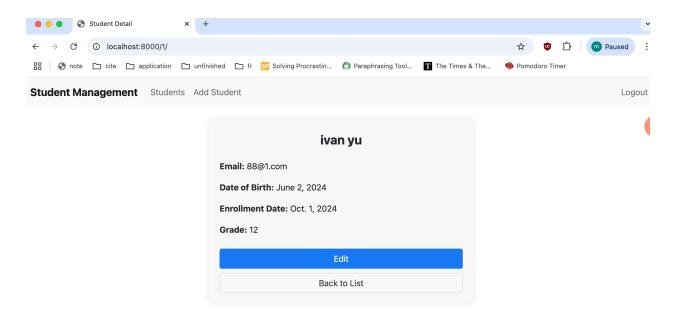
This page lists student records with search functionality. Users can view, edit, and search students by name. It displays details like first name, last name, email, birth date, enrollment date, and grade. Pagination allows choosing the number of records per page, and buttons provide easy access to view or edit student details.

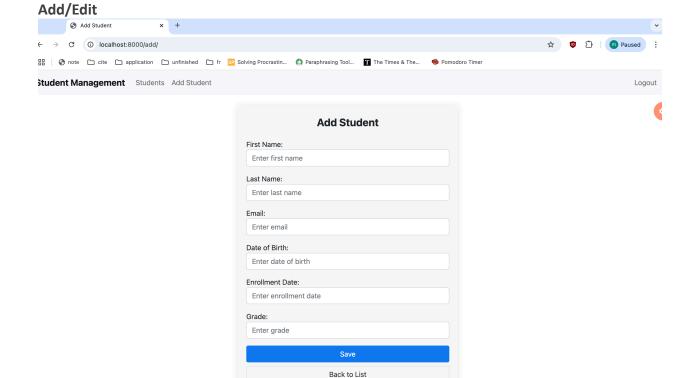


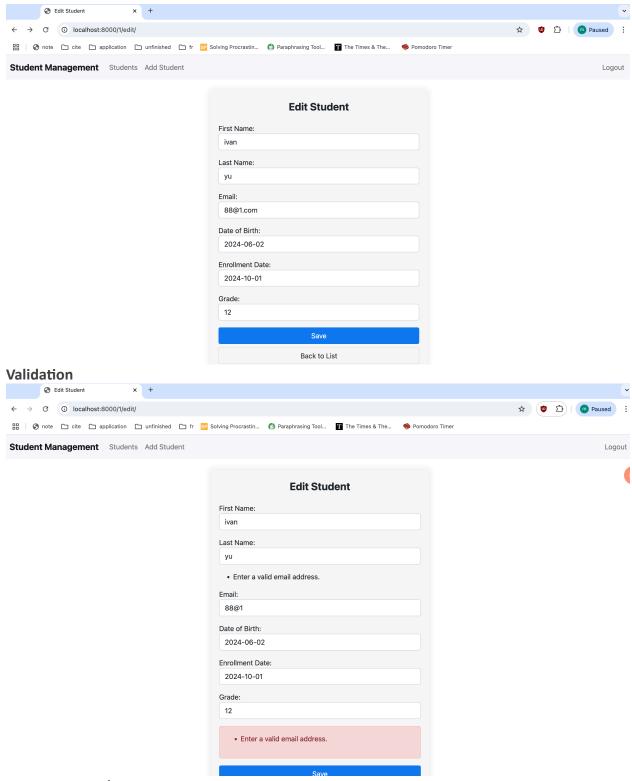
Key code

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♦ 404.html 
♦ student_list.html 
♦ student_form.html
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           def custom_404(request, exception):
    return render(request, '404.html', status=404)
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           class StudentListView(LoginRequiredMixin, ListView):
                 model = Student
template_name = 'main_app/student_list.html'
context_object_name = 'students'
paginate_by = 10  # Number of students per page
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                 def get_queryset(self):
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                        query = self.request.GET.get('q')
if query:
                        return Student.objects.filter(Q(first_name__icontains=query) | Q(last_name__icontains=query)).order_treturn Student.objects.all().order_by('first_name')
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                 def get_paginate_by(self, queryset):
    paginate_by = self.request.GET.get('paginate_by', 10)
    try:
                       try:
    paginate_by = int(paginate_by)
    if paginate_by < 1:
        paginate_by = 10
except ValueError:
    paginate_by = 10
return paginate_by</pre>
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                 def get_context_data(self, **kwargs):
                        context = super().get_context_data(**kwargs)
page_obj = context['page_obj']
context['start_index'] = page_obj.start_index()
                        context['end_index'] = page_obj.end_index()
           class StudentDetailView(LoginRequiredMixin, DetailView):
                 model = Student
template_name = 'student_detail.html'
                 context_object_name = 'student'
                 def get_object(self):
                         return get_object_or_404(Student, pk=self.kwargs['pk'])
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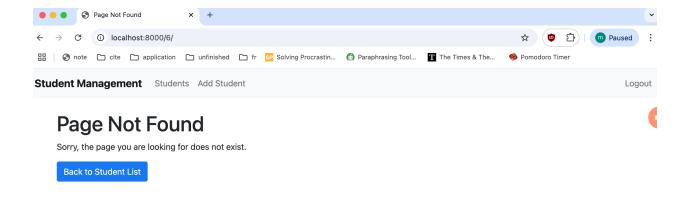
View







Page Not Found



Implementation

- 1. Search Bar: Filters students by name using `request.GET.get('q')`.
- 2. Search/Reset Buttons: Search submits the form; Reset clears filters.
- 3. Student Table: Displays student data with a Bootstrap table.
- 4. View/Edit Buttons: Links generated using `student.id` for viewing/editing.
- 5. Pagination: Uses Django's `Paginator` with Bootstrap navigation.
- 6. Record Count: Shows the current student range on the page.
- 7. Records Per Page: Dropdown adjusts records per page and updates the paginator.
- 8. Validation: Django's form validation ensures data integrity when adding or editing student records (e.g., date format, email format).
- 9. Page Not Found (404): A custom 404 page is triggered by setting `DEBUG=False` and defining `handler404` in `urls.py`. This page displays a user-friendly error message when a non-existent record is requested.