Managing students' projects using cloud computing

System analysis and design in high level

Purpose: To understand and determine the scope of the system and its components and architecture.

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project goals and services:

make a system which will automate and organized all aspects of students' projects completing process in Syrian private university (Junior Project, Senior Project 1, Senior Project 2), which is:

- Organizing the projects suggestions process that happened in the beginning of each semester.
- Full Automat the project registration process.
- Creating environment of valuable communication between supervisors and their own teams (increase the ability to track students' work in an organized manner).
- Managing and facilitation the projects evaluation process.

The main actors with their roles and responsibilities:

1. student:

- View the available projects list.
- Request and register a project "in the begging of the semester".
- Exchange media with supervisor and other team members (communication).
- View and track the projects evaluation plan, and execute its rules.

2. Supervisor:

- Add a project suggestion.
- Tracking, exchanging media, communication with his teams.

3. Manager:

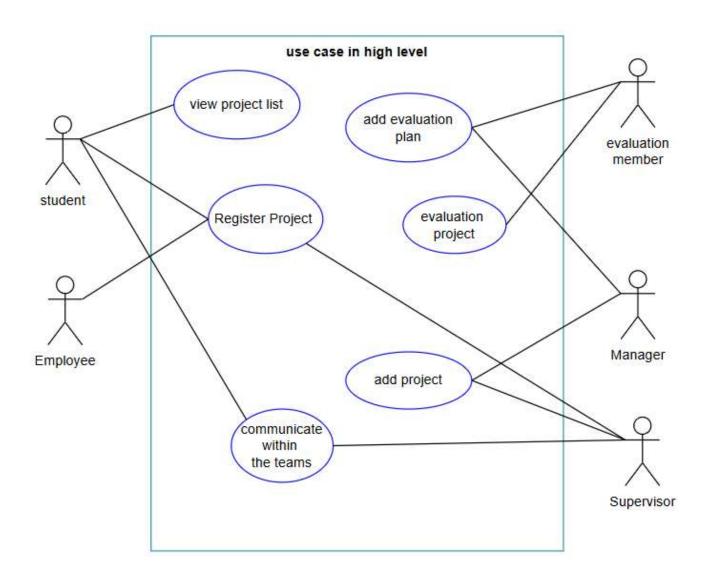
- Approve or rejects projects suggestions.
- Approve and edit evaluation plan.
- Track the progress of any team.
- View simple reports.

4. evaluation team member:

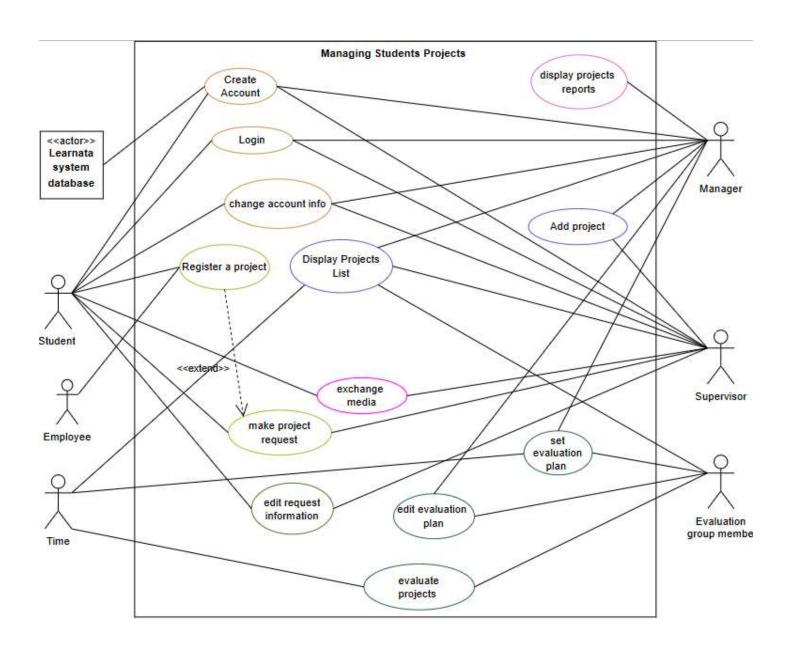
- make evaluation plan for the projects.
- Evaluating teams.

- 5. responsible employee:
 - receive registration requests from students.
- 6. The database of the university system "Learnata" (secondary actor):
 - to compare the ids (when user create his only account by his university id).
 - Check if the student information match with the project registration conditions (like: total number of his completed hours is more than or equal to 100).

Use case diagram in high level:



Detailed use case diagram:



The specification of top three important use cases:

Use case name		add project.
Participating		initiated by supervisor
Actors		communicated with manager.
Flow of events		
	1.	First supervisor will ask to "make project suggestion".
	2.	The system will ask the supervisor to enter project title.
	3.	Supervisor will enter the title.
	4.	System will compare titles in the database and return to the
		supervisor acceptance if there is no such project in the
		history, and ask him to complete the other informations.
	5.	Supervisor will enter the other informations required to
		make a new project (goal, description, plan and key steps).
	6.	The system will accept to make the project after complete
		the project information, and send the suggestion to the
		manager.
	7.	the manager makes an approve for the suggestion project.
	8.	System will send the approval message to supervisor, and
		add the project to the project list to be display to every on
		using the system.
Entry condition		the service is available (specific time determined by
		manager)
Exit conditions		project will be shown in the project list.

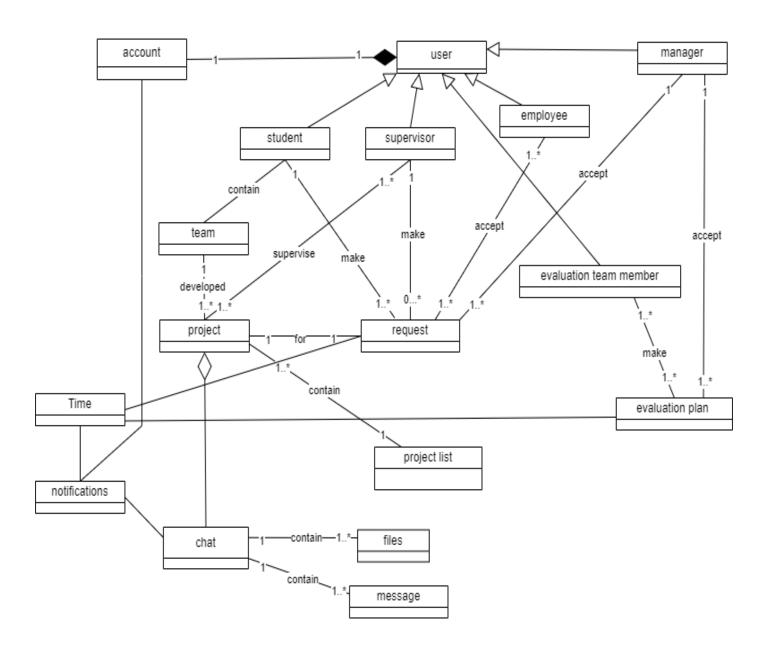
Use case name	make project request.
Participating	initiated by student
Actors	communicated with supervisor, employee.
Flow of events	
	1. After choosing an available project from project list, the
	student will take the option make request.
	2. System will ask the student to add a team member.
	3. Student will enter names and ids for his partners.
	4. System will check the database for the ids and send
	emails for partners asked them to make a make request
	acceptance on their accounts.
	5. Other students(partners) will enter their accounts and
	approve to make that request.
	6. After this system will send the request to the supervisor
	of the project.
	7. If the supervisor accepted it
	8. system will send the approvement to the
	student and, registration request with project
	information and student to the responsible
	employee.
	9. If the employee registers the project (he will
	check some conditions related to university
	rules outside our system responsibilities) he
	will choice accepted and done.
	10. The system will send the acceptance message
	to the students, and make a communication
	environment for this team and their

supervisor, and the service will end.

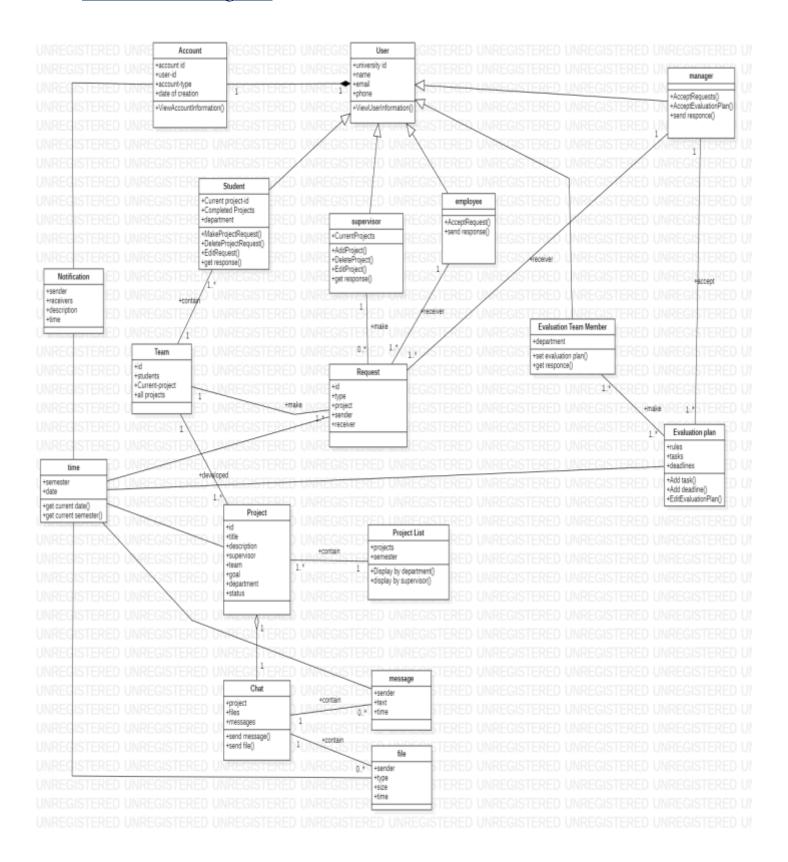
Entry condition	the registration service is available (specific time), and
	all supervisors already added their projects (project list
	is available).
Exit conditions	student register their projects and have a communication
	page connects them with their team members.

Use case name	create student account.
Participating actors	initiated by student.
Flow of events	
	1. Students will enter the system(website) first and ask
	to make account.
	2. System will ask for their university id and some
	informations name, number, email (all information
	must be match with his information in the university
	system database).
	3. Student will enter the information.
	4. The system will communicate with the university
	system (learnata) database to check the id and other
	informations.
	5. If the student is existed, the system will then check
	some conditions related to projects (number of
	completed hours more than or equal to 100, and
	some courses has to be complete), if all conditions
	are met the system will ask the user to enter a
	password for the account.
	6. Student will enter a password.
	7. System will check if that password met a determined
	security limit if that true system will make an
	account for the student and take him to it.
Entry condition	the account creator is student the student exist in
	the university and met some projects Conditions
Exit conditions	student has account and can start to use the system
	services.

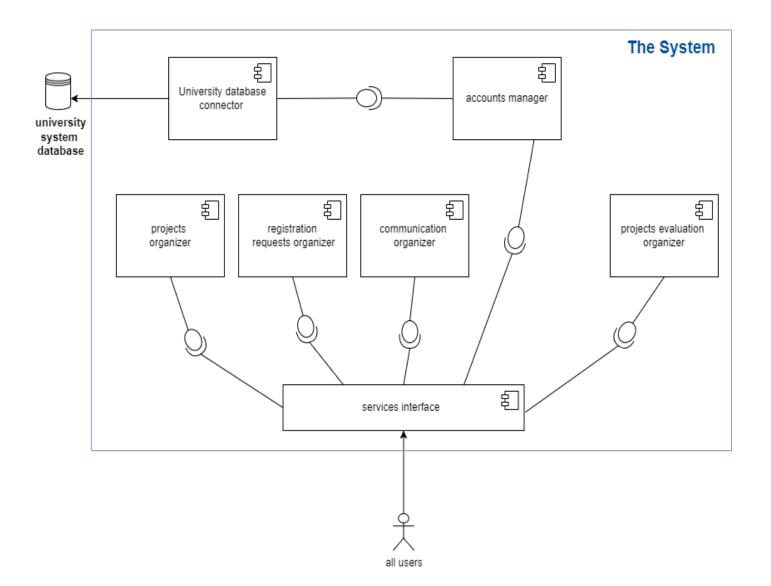
Class diagram:



Detailed class diagram:



Components Diagram:



Components responsibilities:

1. University database connector:

- This component will communicate with the university database system when a user wants to make an account to check its informations and whether he is a member in the university (student or supervisor) by his id.
- Also, it will check whether a student met with the conditions of the project registration, that determent by the university.
- And it will give the result to the "Account manager component" so it can make a new account for this member.

2. Account manager:

- Made everything related to accounts management like make new account after taking the approve from "University database connector component".
- Delete account.
- Edit account information.
- It will give an interface for the "services interface component" only the output of its operations.

3. Projects organizer:

- Organize the process of adding new projects by supervisors and take approve from manager.
- Organize the process of displaying the projects list by multi options.
- It will give an interface for the "services interface component" only the output of its operations.

4. Registration requests organizer:

- Organize the process of making request for projects by students (team).
- Organize the registration process for a project.
- It will give an interface for the "services interface component" only the output of its operations.

5. Communication organizer:

- Making a unique environment to communication for each team.
- Organize messages and files exchanging process.
- It will give an interface for the "services interface component" only the output of its operations.

6. Projects evaluation organizer:

- Organize the process of making an evaluation plan (tasks and deadlines), each one related to each department, and make it visible for all teams to be a roadmap.
- Organize the approval process from the manager for every edit operation.
- It will give an interface for the "services interface component" only the output of its operations.

7. Services interface:

• This component will have an interface from all the last 5 components to have their services and presented to the user so that user don't have to know or communicate with all components otherwise only communicate with the "services interface component" and that will give a level of abstraction and encapsulation to all servicer.

Architectural Style:

Note: the system will be developed to be a web application.

I will go first with Client – Server Architecture:

The client-server software architecture pattern is a model that divides a software system into two primary components: the client and the server. The client is the user-facing side of the system that handles the presentation and interaction with the user. The server is responsible for handling the business logic, data management, and other processing tasks. The client and the server communicate with each other through a network protocol.

Why choosing client –server architecture (advantages):

- Common to use with web applications: where the web browser acts as the client, and the web server handles all the backend logic and data management
- · High performance: only two layers.

Disadvantages of client – sever architecture:

- Not for complex systems: with complex systems its better to distribute the logic into multi layers or components.
- Low level of security.

Because of this I will use other architecture inside the server side to solve the problems that come with client - server architecture. (Hybrid architecture)

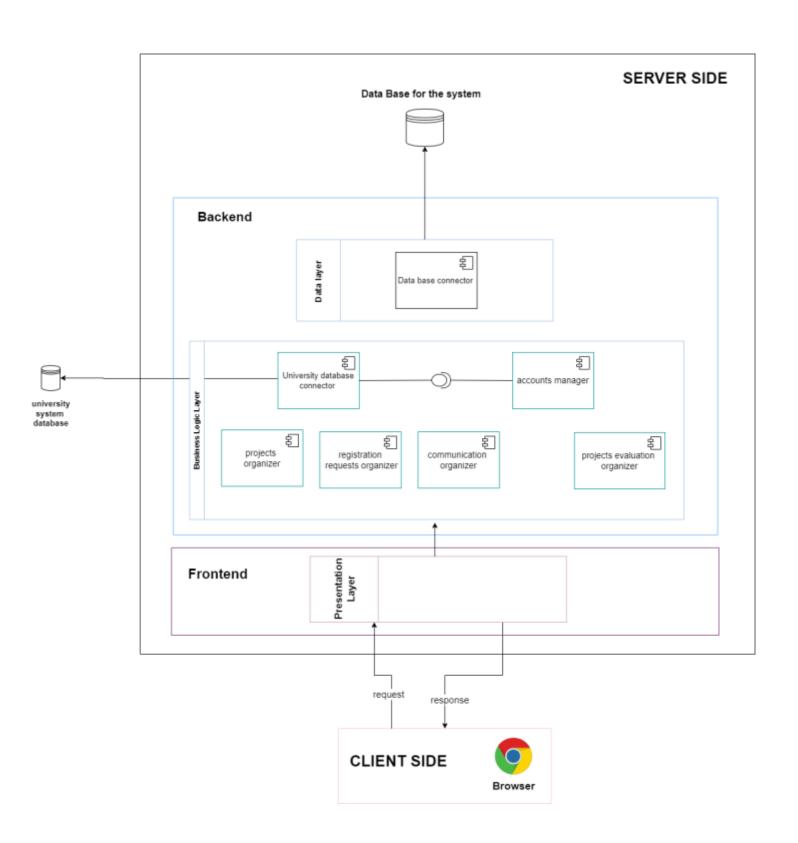
I will go with <u>Layered Architecture</u> for the server side (In a layered software architecture pattern, the system is divided into horizontal layers, each with its own specific responsibilities. The higher-level layers depend on the services provided by the lower-level layers, which enables them to be developed and tested independently).

because it will give us high level of security, the communication between each layer and the another is determent by the interfaces between them.

Also, it will separate the responsibilities so reduce the complexity. Note that both client – server and layered architecture gives us reusability.

So now we will have performance and security together.

For the architecture I delete the component "services interface", because after using the layered architecture it will by default gives the encapsulation for services in the business logic layer that will connect with the frontend (the presentation layer).



Sprint management:

Now, for the first sprint we will focuses on: "projects organizer component" means supervisor and some of the manager services

The requirements that we will developed:

Req-ID	Title	Description	Actor
1	Create management account	Manager have only one unique related to his university id	Manager
2	Create supervisor account	Supervisor have only one account related to his university id	supervisor
3	Log in	Users can log in by their ids and password they choose	Supervisor, manager
4	Change password	Users can change password	Supervisor, manager
5	Change profile photo	Users can change account photo	Supervisor, manager
6	Request for add project	Supervisor can suggest a new project	supervisor
7	Edit request	Supervisor can edit the suggestion information as long as the manager doesn't response	supervisor
8	Delete request	Supervisor can delete a suggestion	Supervisor
9	Accept or reject a project	Manager will get all projects and accept it or not	manager

10	Send response	Manager will make the response and the system will send it	manager
		to the supervisor	
11	Get request	Supervisors will get the response as a notification on their	supervisor
	response by	emails	
	email		
12	User friendly	The system interfaces should be easy to learn and use	