Proposal – JMU-Share

# Overview

Many college students have had difficulties during their undergraduate career that have led to them seeking online resources to help them with their classes. However, many of these same students can spend hours trying to find online content to help them prepare for a test or supplemental notes to clarify their own notes but never find notes for what they need help with. JMU-Share plans to address this problem by creating a new web application specific to the JMU community that allows users to upload their class notes or view other notes. We plan to limit most features to strictly the JMU community by requiring a @dukes.jmu.edu or @jmu.edu email address to register and login in. With a student’s dukes.jmu.edu account, they will be able to upload their own notes, view other notes, and comment on other’s notes. If a faculty member registers with a jmu.edu account, they will be able to post their own notes for a class as well as endorse student’s notes or comment on a note with corrections or clarifications.

As for the financial market value, JMU-Share will not generate any revenue, our main goal is to help students feel more confident about their classes throughout the semester via peer-assisted learning.

The main transactions that will be supported by JMU-Share are uploading notes to a specific department and course number, searching for notes within first a department and then the course number, commenting on notes for further clarification or explanation, rating notes based on their helpfulness and detail, endorsing notes, and a user may remove a note that they have uploaded. Admin will also be able to remove any note if a note appears to lack as a supplemental resource.