

# MERN Stack

## Development Assignment

### Assignment Overview

Develop a complete web-based system addressing a real-world problem using the MERN stack (MongoDB, Express.js, React.js, Node.js). This full-stack project will demonstrate your ability to design, implement, and deploy a functional web application.

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### Learning Objectives

- Design and implement a full-stack MERN application
  - Create RESTful APIs with Express.js and Node.js
  - Build responsive UI components with React
  - Implement secure authentication and authorization
  - Integrate with a MongoDB database
  - Practice proper code organization and version control
  - Deploy the application to a cloud platform
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- **Final submission:** Complete application + documentation + deployment
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### Problem Domains (Choose ONE)

#### Option 1: Healthcare Appointment System

A system for patients to book, manage, and track medical appointments with healthcare providers.

## **Option 2: E-Learning Platform**

A platform where instructors can create courses and students can enroll, access materials, and track progress.

## **Option 3: Task/Project Management System**

A collaborative tool for teams to manage projects, assign tasks, track progress, and communicate.

## **Option 4: Local Service Marketplace**

A platform connecting service providers (plumbers, tutors, cleaners) with customers in their locality.

## **Option 5: Inventory Management System**

A system for small businesses to track inventory, sales, suppliers, and generate reports.

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## **Technical Requirements**

### **Backend (Node.js + Express.js + MongoDB)**

- ✓ RESTful API with proper HTTP methods and status codes
- ✓ MongoDB with Mongoose ODM including relationships
- ✓ Data validation and error handling
- ✓ File upload capability (optional bonus)
- ✓ Pagination, filtering, and searching
- ✓ Environment variables for configuration

## Frontend (React.js)

- ✓ Responsive design (mobile-friendly)
- ✓ State management (Context API or Redux)
- ✓ Form handling with validation
- ✓ Protected routes based on user roles
- ✓ API integration with Axios/Fetch
- ✓ Clean, modular component structure
- ✓ Loading states and user feedback