

Student Academic Calendar Software

Course: CS/SE/CE 3354 Software Engineering

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Introduction

Project Overview (What is group 8 doing?)

Purpose:

To create a unified academic calendar platform for students to manage their schedules, classes, assignments, and events in one place.

Key Objectives:

- Simplify academic planning and event organization
- Support multiple calendar views (daily, weekly, monthly, agenda)
- Offer customizable categories and easy navigation



Calendar

Manage your schedule



+ New Event

November 2024

< Today >

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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Team Meeting

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Project Review

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Client Call

Lunch

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Workshop

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Birthday Party

Upcoming Events

● Team Meeting

November 8 • 10:00 AM

● Project Review

November 12 • 2:00 PM

● Client Call

November 15 • 11:00 AM

● Lunch

November 15 • 12:30 PM

Task Delegation (Who does what)

Feedback Received from Professor:

Delegated tasks focused only on implementation. Include roles for requirements, design, and testing.

Actions Taken:

- Added clear roles for all phases:
 - **Requirements Gathering:** Omer, Nicholas, Zaid
 - **Design:** Joshua, Omer, Zuhaib
 - **Implementation:** Joshua, Nicholas, Zuhaib
 - **Testing:** Noah, Omer, Zaid

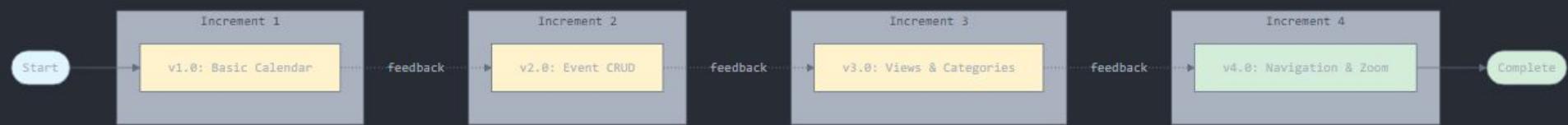


Software Process Model (The model we chose and why?)

Chosen Model: *Incremental Process Model*

Why:

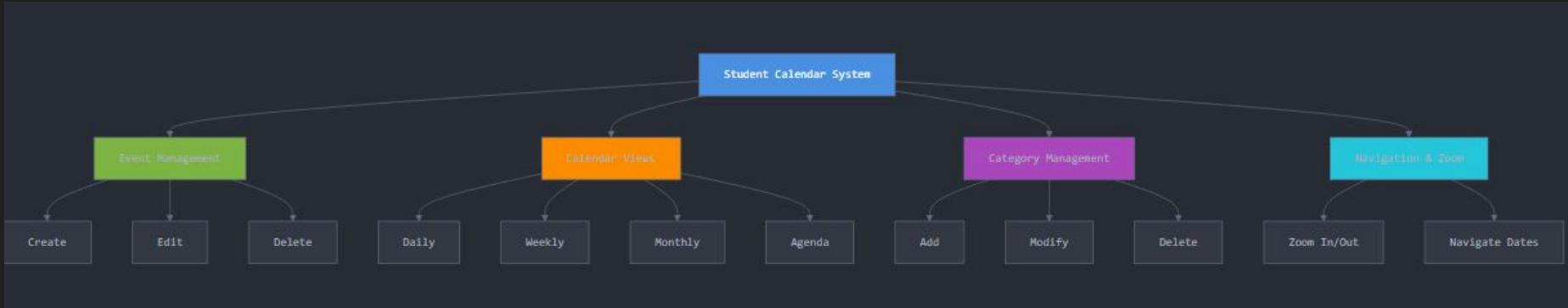
- Divides work into independent modules (daily, weekly, monthly, event management, etc.)
- Allows parallel development and testing
- Supports flexibility and user feedback integration



Software Requirements (Functional)

Functional Requirements:

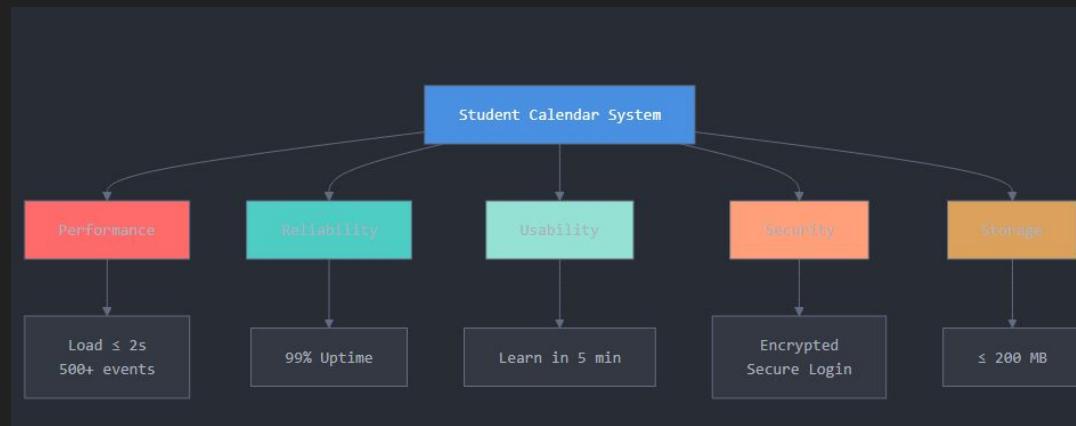
- Event Creation & Management
- Multiple Calendar Views (daily/weekly/monthly)
- Agenda Board for upcoming events
- Category Management (add/modify/delete)
- Zoom & Navigation Controls



Software Requirements (Non-Functional)

Product Requirements:

- Efficiency: Load within 2 seconds
- Reliability: 99% uptime
- Usability: Learn within 5 minutes
- Performance: Handle 500+ events per user
- Space: ≤ 200 MB
- Security: Encrypted storage, secure login

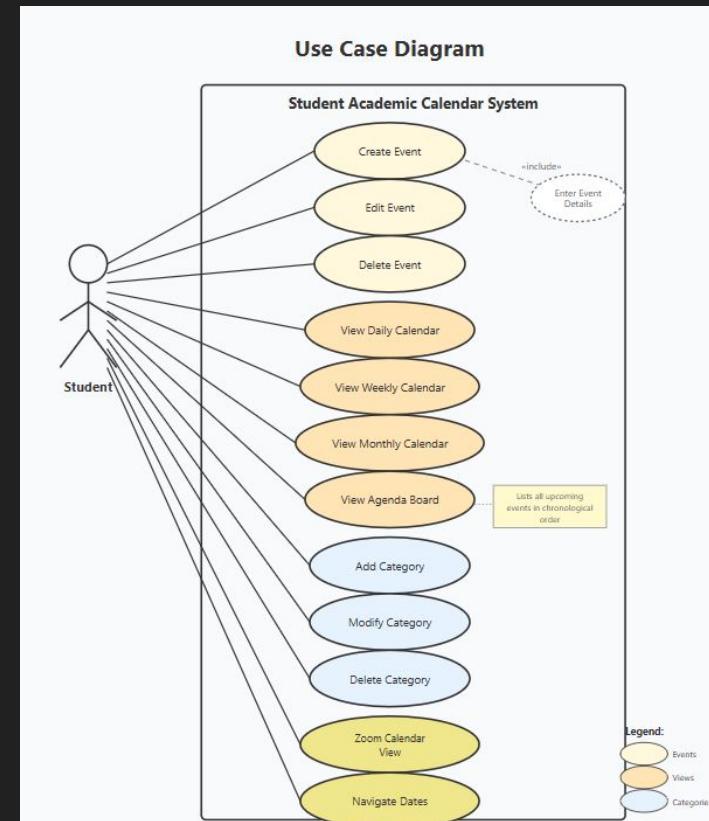


System Design: Use Case Diagram

Actor: Student (primary user)

Key Use Cases:

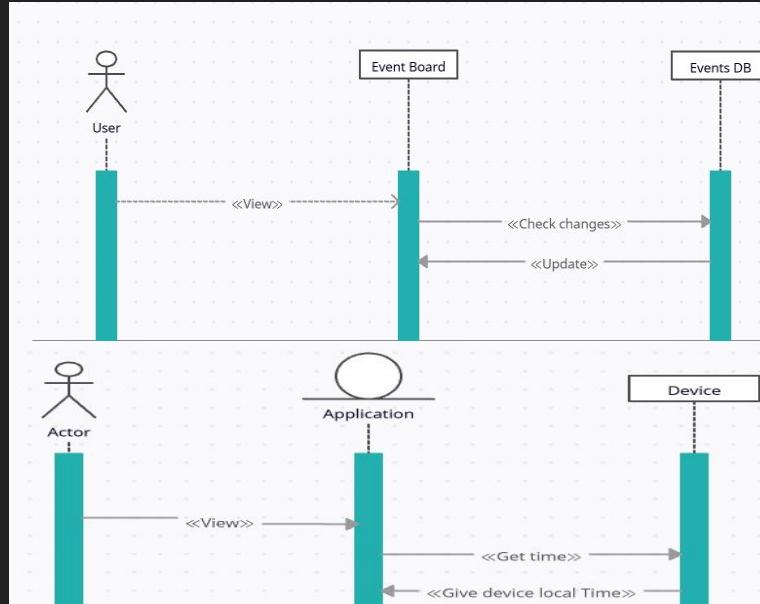
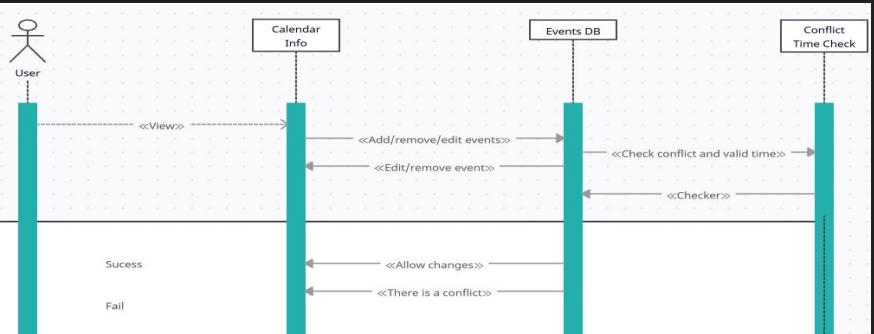
- Create, Edit, Delete Events
- View Calendar (daily/weekly/monthly/agenda)
- Add/Modify/Delete Categories
- Zoom and Navigate Views



Sequence Diagram

Scenarios Modeled:

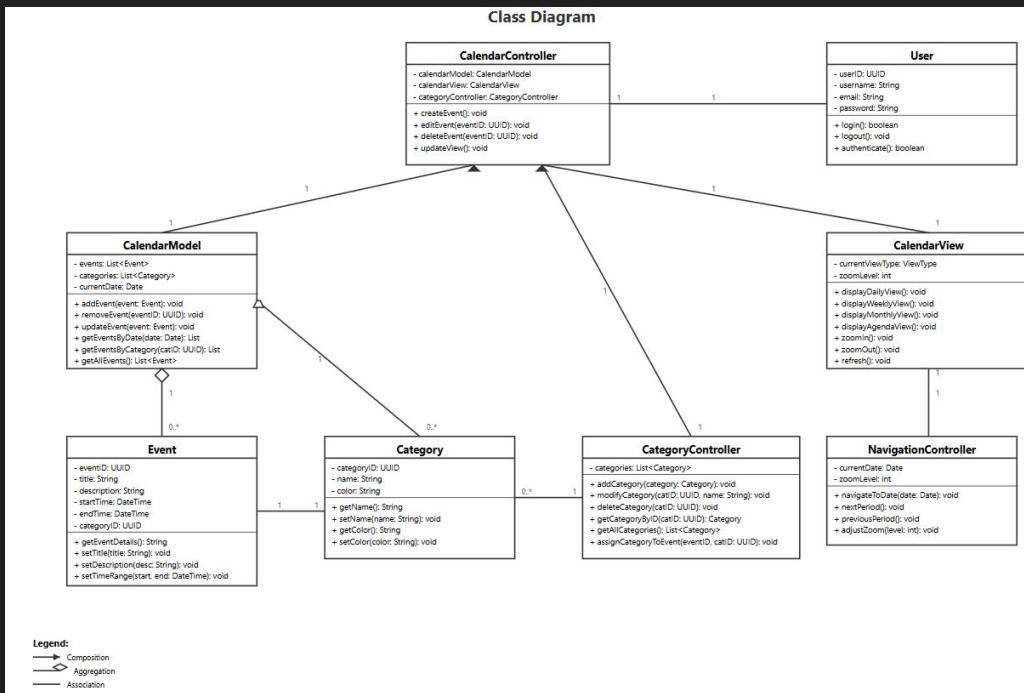
- Calendar Views (monthly, weekly, daily)
- Event Board interactions
- Local time synchronization
- Conflict checking



Class Diagram

Core Classes:

- **CalendarController** – manages all operations
- **CalendarModel** – stores data (events, categories)
- **CalendarView** – displays calendar
- Event, Category, User
- NavigationController, CategoryController

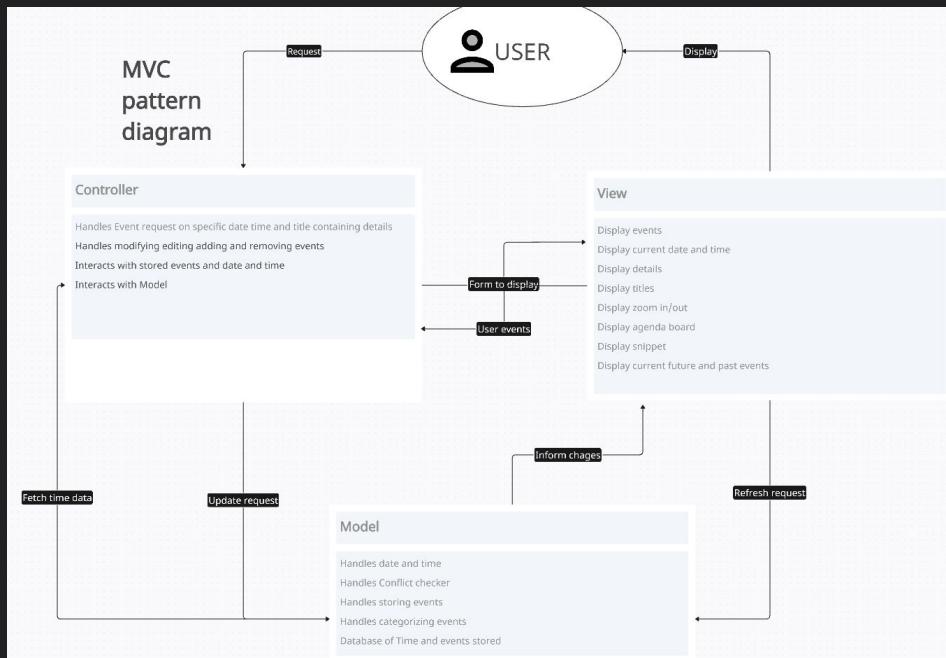


Architectural Design

Pattern: Model–View–Controller (MVC)

Flow:

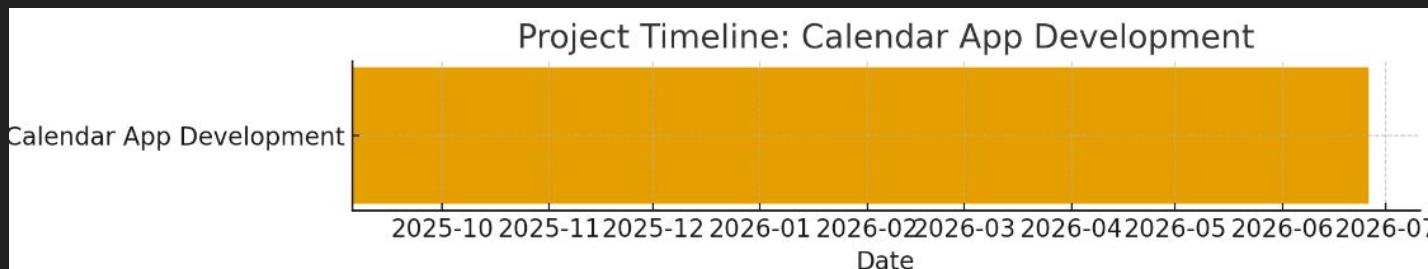
User → View → Controller → Model → Controller → View → User



Project Scheduling

Timeline:

- **Start:** Sept 5, 2025
- **End:** June 26, 2026
- Duration: ~6 months
- Workdays: Mon–Fri, 2 hrs/day
- Weekends excluded for balanced workload

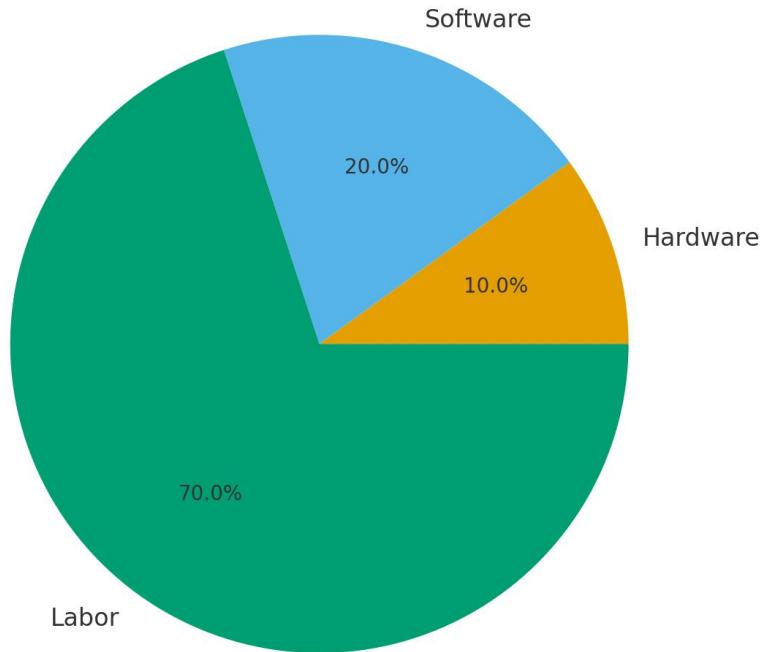


Cost, Effort & Pricing Estimation

Estimation Method: Function Point (FP)

- Identified ~135 FP
- 1 FP \approx 5 dev hours \rightarrow **675 total hours**
- Used for cost, effort, and pricing estimation

Cost Distribution for Calendar App Development



Testing Plan

Unit to test: `checkTimeConflicts(startTime, endTime, excludeEventId)`

Purpose: Ensure the method correctly detects overlapping events and ignores an event with the excludeEventId.

Test Strategy:

Provide an array of mock events.

Checks:

1. **No Conflict:** Verify that the method returns an empty array if the proposed event does not overlap with any existing events.
2. **Conflict Detected:** Verify that overlapping events are returned correctly.
3. **Exclude Event ID:** Verify that a specific event can be excluded from conflict checking.

Test Type:

Unit Test — testing a single logical method independently.

Test Environment:

- Module Programming Language: JavaScript
- Testing Tool: Jest
- IDE: VS Code

Method & Test Code

CheckTimeConflicts Method Code:

```
checkTimeConflicts(startTime, endTime, excludeEventId = null) {
    return this.events.filter(event => {
        if (event.id === excludeEventId) return false;

        const eventStart = new Date(event.startTime);
        const eventEnd = new Date(event.endTime);

        return (startTime < eventEnd && endTime > eventStart);
    });
}
```

Jest Test Code

```
import { CalendarApp } from './CalendarApp.js';

describe('CalendarApp checkTimeConflicts', () => {
    let app;

    beforeEach(() => {
        app = new CalendarApp();
        app.events = [
            { id: '1', startTime: '2025-11-13T10:00:00', endTime: '2025-11-13T11:00:00' },
            { id: '2', startTime: '2025-11-13T12:00:00', endTime: '2025-11-13T13:00:00' }
        ];
    });

    test('no conflict returns empty array', () => {
        const conflicts = app.checkTimeConflicts(
            new Date('2025-11-13T11:00:00'),
            new Date('2025-11-13T12:00:00')
        );
        expect(conflicts).toEqual([]);
    });

    test('overlapping event returns conflict', () => {
        const conflicts = app.checkTimeConflicts(
            new Date('2025-11-13T10:30:00'),
            new Date('2025-11-13T11:30:00')
        );
        expect(conflicts.length).toBe(1);
        expect(conflicts[0].id).toBe('1');
    });

    test('excludeEventId ignores that event', () => {
        const conflicts = app.checkTimeConflicts(
            new Date('2025-11-13T10:00:00'),
            new Date('2025-11-13T11:30:00'),
            '1'
        );
        expect(conflicts).toEqual([]);
    });
});
```

Test Results

Test Case	Input	Expected Result	Actual Result
No conflict	11:00–12:00	[]	[] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Overlap with Event 1	10:30–11:30	[Event 1]	[Event 1] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Exclude Event 1	10:30–11:30, exclude '1'	[]	[] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comparison with Similar Solutions

Feature	SaaS (Google Calendar)	Open Source	Our System
Custom Academic Workflow	✗	✓	✓
Offline Use	✗	✓	✓
Free to Use	✗	✓	✓
Data Privacy	Limited	High	✓

Demo

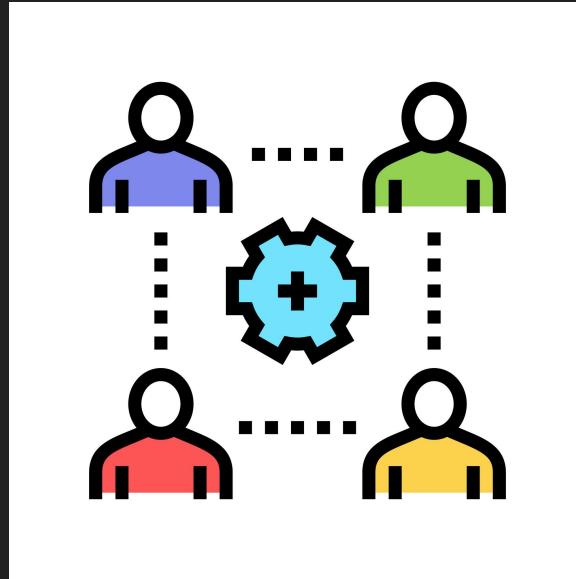
The screenshot displays a digital calendar application for November 2025. The interface is organized into several sections:

- Header:** A purple bar at the top with the text "November 2025" in the center. To the left and right of the month name are circular icons.
- Navigation:** A row of buttons above the main grid: "Month", "Week", "Day" (which is highlighted with a blue background and white text), "Agenda", "Add Event", and "Categories".
- Grid Headers:** The days of the week are labeled as headers for each column: Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat. Below these are the dates: 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22.
- Time Scale:** The vertical axis on the left represents time, with labels from "12 AM" at the top to "10 AM" at the bottom.
- Content:** The main area is a grid where each cell represents an hour on a specific day. There are no colored boxes or text indicating events.

Evaluations & Changes

Main Changes Made:

- Expanded team roles beyond coding
- Updated UML & architecture diagrams
- Switched to Function Point analysis
- Added automated testing



Why:

To meet professor feedback, improve realism, and ensure professional project completeness.

Conclusion

Summary:

- Functional, secure, and efficient calendar for students
- Built with MVC and Incremental model
- Realistic schedule, cost, and testing approach

Next Steps:

- Expand event sync features
- Integrate notifications and shared calendars



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