Full Stack Development with MERN

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1.Introduction:

.project Title: learnhub: your center of skill enhacement

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2. Project Overview

- Purpose: Build an interactive platform where users can register, browse and enroll in courses, track their learning progress, and download certificates upon completion.
- o Key Features:
- User registration and authentication
- Course listing and detail views
- Enrollment (with optional payment)
- Dashboard with progress tracking
- Certificate access after completion
- Admin control panel for course/user management

3. Architecture

- Frontend (React):
 - Component-based design (Navbar, Footer, CourseCard, etc.)
 - o Page-based routing (Home, Login, Register, CourseList, etc.)
 - o Axios used for REST API communication
- Backend (Django):
 - Modular apps: users, courses, progress, payments, certificates, etc.
 - Django REST Framework exposes APIs for frontend
- Database (SQLite):
 - Stores user credentials, course info, enrollments, progress, and certificates

4. Setup Instructions

Prerequisites

- Node.js and npm
- Python and pip
- Virtualenv

Installation

```
# Backend Setup

python -m venv djangoenv

djangoenv\Scripts\activate  # Windows

pip install django djangorestframework

django-admin startproject learninghub .

python manage.py startapp users # Repeat for other apps

# Frontend Setup

npx create-react-app learninghub-frontend

cd learninghub-frontend

npm install react-router-dom axios bootstrap
```

5. Folder Structure

learninghub-frontend/

```
learninghub/
|-- users/
|-- courses/
|-- progress/
|-- certificates/
|-- payments/
|-- adminpanel/
|-- learninghub/ # Settings and URLs
```

6. Running the Application

```
bash
# Django (from project root)
djangoenv\Scripts\activate
python manage.py runserver
# React (from frontend)
cd learninghub-frontend
npm start
```

API Endpoints (Example)

Endpoint	Method	Description
/api/courses/	GET	List all courses
/api/courses/ <id>/</id>	GET	Get course details
/api/register/	POST	Register new user
/api/progress/	GET	User's course progress

8. Authentication

- JWT or session-based login
- Protected routes handled with React (ProtectedRoute.js)
- · Backend authenticates users and returns token/session data

9. User Interface

- Built with Bootstrap for mobile-first design
- Navigation bar, cards, progress bars, modals, and forms
- Smooth page transitions with react-router-dom

10. Testing

Frontend Testing:

- Manual testing using various browsers to verify routing, responsiveness, and form behavior
- Component-level validation (e.g., ensuring CourseCard renders expected props)

Backend Testing:

- o Django unit tests for models and views using TestCase
- API testing with tools like Postman or Django's built-in test client

Integration Testing:

- API endpoints tested with dummy data and JWT authentication
- React pages tested against live backend to confirm endto-end flo

11. Screenshots or Demo

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZfCB3GKGHvSNZmCwqAU2dTYC9vzf0US5/view? usp=drivesdk

12. Known Issues

API error handling not yet consistent across all endpoints

- Protected routes (ProtectedRoute.js) currently use static auth check
- . Form validation is basic improvement needed for usability and security

13. Future Enhancements

- . Add JWT-based authentication for secure login and session handling
- Implement search and filter functionality on the course list
- · Allow users to upload avatars and edit their profiles