# Software Engineering: Assignment #01

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## **Problem Statement**

The problem of	inefficient student access to academic resources and administrative services
affects	students, faculty, and university staff, leading to delays, miscommunication, and decreased productivity.
The impact of which is	frustration among students, missed deadlines, inefficient course registration, and difficulty tracking academic progress.
A successful solution would be	a centralized University Student Portal that streamlines course registration, grade tracking, document submissions, and communication between students and faculty, ensuring a seamless and efficient academic experience.

#### Feature List

#### Student Features

- 1. **Course Registration** Enroll in available courses each semester.
- 2. View Registered Courses See a list of enrolled courses.
- 3. View Marks & Grades Access grades for assignments, quizzes, and exams.
- 4. **View Attendance Record** Track attendance percentage for each course.
- 5. **Apply for Scholarships & Financial Aid** Submit and track applications for scholarships or financial aid.
- 6. **Submit Assignments** Upload coursework and assignments for evaluation.
- 7. **Download Course Material** Access lecture slides, notes, and other resources.
- 8. **Give Course Feedback** Provide feedback on courses and instructors.
- 9. **View Academic Calendar** Check important academic dates and deadlines.
- 10. **Drop Courses** Withdraw from courses within specified deadlines.
- 11. **Internship & Job Listings** Browse university-approved internships and job opportunities.
- 12. Communicate with Faculty Message instructors about academic inquiries.
- 13. **View Exam Schedule** Check upcoming exam dates, times, and venues.
- 14. **Apply for Leaves** Submit leave requests for excused absences.
- 15. Track GPA & CGPA Monitor semester and cumulative GPAs.

## **Faculty Features**

- 1. **Upload Assignments** Provide assignments and track submissions.
- 2. Enter Student Grades Input marks for assignments, quizzes, and exams.
- 3. **Mark Attendance** Update student attendance records per lecture.
- 4. **Upload Course Materials** Share lecture notes, slides, and reading resources.
- 5. **Respond to Student Queries** Answer student messages regarding coursework.

#### Administration Features

- 1. **Manage Timetables** Create and modify semester schedules.
- 2. **Update Exam Schedules** Set and adjust exam dates, times, and locations.
- 3. **Publish Course Offerings** Announce available courses for student registration.
- 4. **Send University Announcements** Post updates about policies, deadlines, events, and job opportunities.
- 5. **Handle Student & Teacher Requests** Process requests related to course changes, exam rescheduling, and academic concerns.

# **User Stories**

**Story ID: 1 Story Title:** Course Registration

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to enroll in available courses each semester, **SO THAT** I can take the required subjects for my degree.

## **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that course registration is open, **WHEN** I select courses and submit my registration, **THEN** my enrollment should be confirmed, and I should receive a confirmation message.

**IMPORTANCE: 1** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

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Story Title: View Course List

#### **USER STORY:**

AS A student, I WANT to view the list of my registered courses, SO THAT I can keep track of my academic schedule.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that I am logged into the portal, **WHEN** I navigate to my course list, **THEN** I should see all the courses I am enrolled in for the current semester.

**IMPORTANCE: 2** 

**ESTIMATE:** 2 hours

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Story Title: View Marks

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to check my grades for assignments, quizzes, and exams, **SO THAT** I can monitor my academic progress.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that grades have been released, **WHEN** I access my marks section, **THEN** I should be able to view my scores for different assessments for different subjects.

**IMPORTANCE: 7** 

**ESTIMATE:** 3 hours

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Story Title: View Attendance Record

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to see my attendance percentage per course, **SO THAT** I can ensure I meet the minimum attendance requirements.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that attendance records are updated, **WHEN** I check my attendance for a course, **THEN** I should see the percentage of classes attended per total classes held.

**IMPORTANCE: 10** 

**ESTIMATE:** 3 hours

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Story Title: Apply for Scholarships & Financial

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to submit applications for scholarships or financial assistance, **SO THAT** I can receive financial support for my education.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that scholarship applications are open, **WHEN** I complete and submit my application, **THEN** it should be recorded in the portal, and I should receive a confirmation of submission.

**IMPORTANCE: 12** 

**ESTIMATE:** 5 hours

**TYPE:** workflow

Story	ID:	6

**Story Title:** Submit Assignments

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to upload assignments for each course, **SO THAT** I can submit my assigned work before the deadline.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that an assignment submission is open, **WHEN** I upload my file and submit it, **THEN** it should be recorded, and I should receive confirmation of a successful submission.

**IMPORTANCE: 8** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

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Story Title: Download Course Material

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to access lecture slides, notes, and resources, **SO THAT** I can study and prepare for my courses through it.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that course materials are available, **WHEN** I select a document or file to download, **THEN** it should be downloaded to my device successfully.

**IMPORTANCE: 6** 

**ESTIMATE:** 3 hours

TYPE: manage data

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**Story Title:** Give Feedback on Courses

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to provide feedback about courses and instructors, **SO THAT** I can share my learning experience and suggest improvements.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that feedback submission is open, **WHEN** I fill out the feedback form and submit it, **THEN** my feedback should be recorded and stored for review.

**IMPORTANCE: 13** 

**ESTIMATE:** 3 hours

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**Story Title:** View Academic Calendar

#### **USER STORY:**

AS A student, I WANT to check important academic dates, SO THAT I can plan my studies and activities accordingly.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that the academic calendar is available, **WHEN** I open the calendar section, **THEN** I should see all important events and deadlines.

**IMPORTANCE: 14** 

**ESTIMATE:** 2 hours

**Story Title:** Drop Courses

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to withdraw from a course within a deadline, **SO THAT** I can manage my workload effectively.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that the course drop period is active, **WHEN** I request to drop a course, **THEN** it should be removed from my registered courses list, and I should receive a confirmation.

**IMPORTANCE: 15** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

**TYPE:** workflow

Story Title: Access Internship & Job Listings

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to view internship and job opportunities posted by the university or partnered companies, **SO THAT** I can apply for relevant positions.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that internship and job listings are available, **WHEN** I navigate to the career section, **THEN** I should see a list of current opportunities with application details.

**IMPORTANCE: 16** 

**ESTIMATE:** 5 hours

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**Story Title:** Communicate with Teachers

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to message teachers regarding coursework, **SO THAT** I can seek clarifications and assistance.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that my teacher has enabled messaging, **WHEN** I send a message, **THEN** it should be delivered, and I should be able to receive a response.

**IMPORTANCE: 17** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

TYPE: manage data

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Story Title: Check Exam Schedule

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to view upcoming exam dates and locations, **SO THAT** I can prepare accordingly.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** that the exam schedule is published, **WHEN** I check the exam section, **THEN** I should see the dates, times, and venues for my exams.

**IMPORTANCE: 18** 

**ESTIMATE:** 2 hours

**Story Title:** Apply For Leaves

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** student, **I WANT** to submit a leave request, **SO THAT** I can get approval for absence without manual paperwork.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a student is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the leave request section and submit a textual request with a reason and dates, **THEN** the teacher receives the request and student waits for approval.

**IMPORTANCE: 19** 

**ESTIMATE:** 3 hours

TYPE: Workflow

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#### **USER STORY:**

AS A student, I WANT to view my transcript, SO THAT to view my transcript.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a student is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the transcript section, **THEN** the system should display their semester-wise grades, cumulative GPA, and other relevant details.

**IMPORTANCE: 20** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

TYPE: Search

**Story Title:** Upload Assignments

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** teacher, **I WANT** to upload course assignments with a due date, time, and marking scheme, **SO THAT** students can access and submit their assignments.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a teacher is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the assignment upload section, and enter the assignment details, and submit it, **THEN** the system makes it visible to all enrolled students.

**IMPORTANCE: 11** 

**ESTIMATE:** 5 hours

**Story Title:** Upload Marks

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** teacher, **I WANT** to enter and upload grades for assignments, quizzes, and exams, **SO THAT** students can track their academic performance.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a teacher is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the grading section, select a course to enter student marks and save it, **THEN** the student can view their evaluation scores.

**IMPORTANCE: 21** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

Story Title: Update Attendance

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** teacher, **I WANT** to mark students as present or absent for each class, **SO THAT** attendance records are maintained and students can track their attendance.

## **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a teacher is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the attendance section, select a course and the date, and mark students as present or absent, **THEN** the system should save the attendance record and make it available for students to view.

**IMPORTANCE: 9** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

Story Title: Upload Resource Material

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** teacher, **I WANT** to upload lecture notes, slides, or other course materials, **SO THAT** students can access and review them for learning.

## **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a teacher is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the course materials section, select a course, and upload files, **THEN** the system should store the materials and make them accessible to all enrolled students.

**IMPORTANCE: 5** 

**ESTIMATE:** 7 hours

Story Title: Answer queries

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS A** teacher, **I WANT** to respond to student queries through the portal, **SO THAT** I can clarify doubts and provide academic support.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** a teacher is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the student queries section, view a question, type a response, and submit it, **THEN** the system should store and display the response to the student.

**IMPORTANCE: 22** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

TYPE: Workflow

Story Title: Manage Timetables

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS AN** administrator, **I WANT** to create and update class schedules for each semester, **SO THAT** students and teachers can access an organized timetable for their courses.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** an administrator is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the timetable management section, and add or update course schedules, **THEN** the system makes it accessible to students and teachers.

**IMPORTANCE: 4** 

**ESTIMATE:** 5 hours

Story Title: Upload Exam Schedule

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS AN** administrator, **I WANT** to set and modify exam dates, times, and locations, **SO THAT** students can access up-to-date exam schedules.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** an administrator is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the exam schedule section, and add or update exam details, **THEN** the system stores the schedule and notify students.

**IMPORTANCE: 23** 

**ESTIMATE:** 5 hours

Story Title: Publish Course Offerings

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS AN** administrator, **I WANT** to manage and announce available courses for registration, **SO THAT** students can view and enroll in courses for the upcoming semester.

## **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** an administrator is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the course offerings section, add or update course details, and publish it, **THEN** the students can view the offered courses and enroll in them.

**IMPORTANCE: 3** 

**ESTIMATE:** 4 hours

**Story Title:** Make Announcements

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS AN** administrator, **I WANT** to post university-wide announcements about policies, deadlines, events, and job listings, **SO THAT** students stay informed about important updates.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** an administrator is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the announcements section, and enter the announcement details, **THEN** the system notifies the students about these announcements.

**IMPORTANCE: 24** 

**ESTIMATE:** 3 hours

TYPE: Workflow

**Story Title:** Handle Queries

#### **USER STORY:**

**AS AN** administrator, **I WANT** to process student and teacher requests related to course changes, exam rescheduling, and other academic concerns, **SO THAT** academic issues can be resolved efficiently.

#### **ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA:**

**GIVEN** an administrator is logged into the portal, **WHEN** they navigate to the request management section, view the submitted request, and take appropriate action, **THEN** the system informs the requester about the outcome..

**IMPORTANCE: 25** 

**ESTIMATE:** 6 hours

TYPE: Workflow

# Team Roles & Responsibilities

Product Owner	Sahrish Mustafa
Duties	Responsible for defining the vision of the student portal and ensuring that the development team delivers a product that meets stakeholder expectations.  1) Requirement Gathering: Collaborate with stakeholders (students, faculty, and administration) to understand their needs and expectations.  2) Backlog Management: Organize and prioritize feature requests into a structured Product Backlog to ensure high-value tasks are completed first.  3) User Stories & Acceptance Criteria: Convert high-level requirements into detailed user stories that describe what a user wants to achieve. Define acceptance criteria for each user story, outlining the conditions that must be met for the feature to be considered complete.
	Note: The user stories and acceptance criteria are finalized after a sprint plan meeting with the rest of the members - this ensures that the requirements are feasible, realistic, and within our capabilities.

Scrum Master	Maria Zahid
Duties	Acts as a facilitator for the team, ensuring that Agile principles are followed and removing obstacles that hinder progress.  1) Facilitate Scrum Events: Conduct daily stand-ups, sprint planning, sprint reviews, and retrospectives.  2) Remove Roadblocks: Identify and resolve any blockers preventing the team from progressing efficiently.  3) Ensure Agile Practices: Guide the team in following Scrum methodology and improve development processes.

Scrum Team (Developer)	Hadiya Tanveer
Duties	<ul> <li>Responsible for designing, coding, testing, and delivering the features outlined in the sprint backlog.</li> <li>1) Implement User Stories: Develop functionalities as per the defined acceptance criteria.</li> <li>2) Code Quality &amp; Best Practices: Write clean, maintainable, and scalable code following industry standards.</li> <li>3) Testing &amp; Debugging: Perform unit testing and work as QA to ensure software reliability.</li> <li>4) Collaborate with the Team: Work closely with the Product Owner to clarify requirements and with</li> </ul>

# Team Agreement

#### 1. Methods of Communication

Effective communication is critical for the success of our project. The following methods will be used for different types of communication:

- **Email:** Formal updates, documentation sharing, sprint reviews, and assignment submissions.
- **Discord:** Primary mode of daily communication for development updates, quick discussions, and issue resolution.
- **Phone Calls:** Urgent matters that require immediate attention, such as critical bugs in the student portal or system downtimes.
- **Discord/Google Meet:** Used for scheduled sprint meetings, backlog refinement, and product demonstrations.
- **GitHub Issues & Comments:** Used for code-related discussions, bug tracking, and pull request reviews.

## 2. Communication Response Times

To maintain project momentum, team members must respond to messages within the following timeframes:

- **Emails:** Within 24 hours.
- **Discord Messages:** Within 2 hours.
- **Phone Calls:** Immediate response required for urgent issues.
- **GitHub Issues & Pull Requests:** Review and respond within 12 hours to keep development moving.

# 3. Meeting Attendance

Regular meetings are essential to keep everyone aligned on project progress.

- Sprint Planning (Mandatory) Bi-weekly, conducted online via Google Meet/Discord.
- **Daily Standups (Mandatory)** 15-minute check-in every morning.
- **Sprint Retrospective (Mandatory)** End of each sprint to discuss improvements.
- **Stakeholder Meetings (Optional)** Product Owner meets with university representatives to refine requirements.
- Emergency Meetings (As needed) Called by Scrum Master for urgent discussions.

# 4. Running Meetings

To ensure meetings are productive:

• **Agenda Preparation:** The Scrum Master prepares the agenda and shares it 24 hours before the meeting.

#### • Meeting Format:

- Sprint planning & review meetings: Online (Discord).
- Code review sessions: Hybrid (online or in-person).
- Stakeholder meetings: In-person at the university, when required.

#### • Meeting Notes:

- One person (rotating responsibility) will document minutes.
- Key action points will be posted on Trello for accountability.

## 5. Meeting Preparation

- **Sprint Planning:** Developers must review the product backlog before the meeting.
- Code Reviews: Developers must have committed their latest changes before the meeting.
- **Stakeholder Meetings:** The Product Owner must gather and structure user feedback.

## 6. Version Control (GitHub Workflow)

A well-structured **GitHub workflow** is critical for maintaining a clean and stable codebase.

#### • Branching Strategy:

- main: Stable production-ready branch.
- o develop: Integration branch for merged features.
- o feature/\*: Separate branch for each new feature (e.g., feature/view-marks).
- Commit Messages: Should be descriptive and follow the format: [Feature/Task] Short Description (Issue #).
- Code Reviews: All pull requests must be reviewed by at least one developer before merging.
- Forbidden Commits: No temporary/debugging logs, large media files, or sensitive data should be committed.

# 8. Submitting Assignments & Deliverables

- **Code Submissions:** Pushed to GitHub before sprint deadlines.
- **Documentation (User Stories, Reports):** Shared via Google Drive 24 hours before submission.
- **Final Project Submission:** Scrum Master ensures all components are packaged and submitted.
- **Peer Review:** Developers cross-check each other's work before final submission.

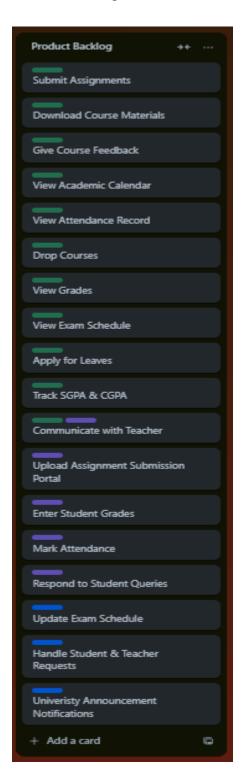
# 9. Contingency Planning

We recognize that unforeseen issues may arise. Our contingency plan ensures the project stays on track.

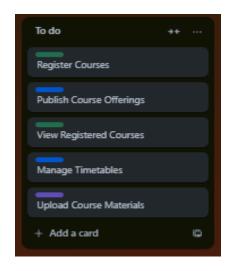
Issue	Resolution Strategy
Team member drops out	Redistribute tasks based on priority; escalate to Product Owner if critical.
Consistently missing meetings	Scrum Master follows up; after repeated absences, escalate to the instructor.
Academic dishonesty	Immediate review by the team; notify the instructor for resolution.
Missed deadlines	Reallocate resources to cover delays; prioritize high-impact features.

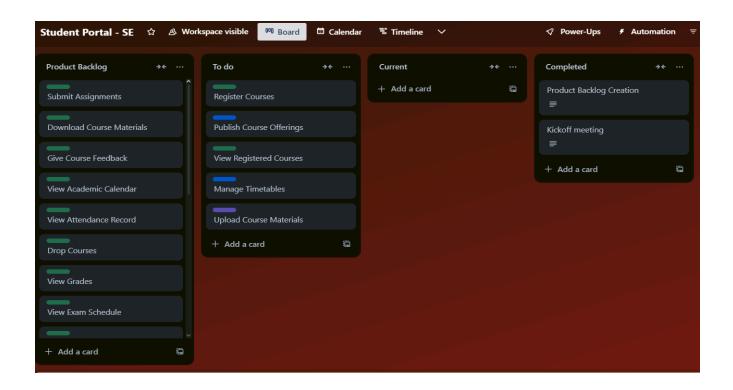
# Trello Board

## **Product Backlog**



Sprint Backlog (Sprint #01)





# Github Repository

