Project: EduLink Student & Course Management System

Phase 9: Reporting, Dashboards & Security Review

Goal: Deliver powerful reporting & analytics capabilities and implement robust security controls to ensure data is both actionable and protected. This phase focuses on creating meaningful insights from the EduLink system data while maintaining strict security standards for educational data.

1. Reports (Tabular, Summary, Matrix, Joined)

Tabular Reports Tabular reports display data in a simple list format, similar to a spreadsheet view.

- Student List Report Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Contacts and Accounts
 Purpose: Basic student directory with essential contact information Fields: Full
 Name, Email, Phone, Student Status, Enrollment Date, Department Filters: Student
 Status equals "Active"
- Course Assignment Report Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Assignments (Custom Report Type) Purpose: List all assignments with due dates for tracking Fields: Assignment Name, Course, Due Date, Max Points, Assignment Type Sort: Due Date (Ascending)

Summary Reports Summary reports group data and show subtotals, providing insights into trends and patterns.

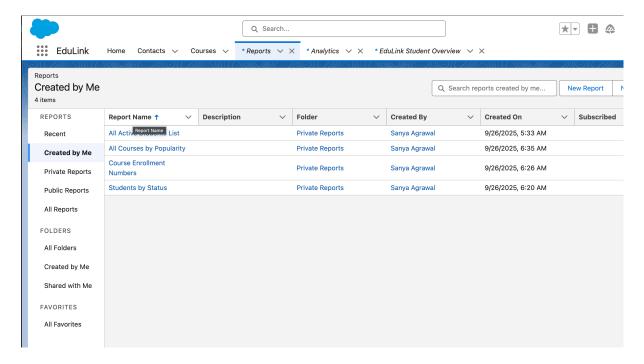
- Student Enrollment by Department Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Contacts
 with Enrollments Purpose: Track student distribution across academic departments
 Group By: Course Department Show: Count of students, Average GPA by department
 Chart Type: Horizontal Bar Chart
- Course Performance Summary Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Enrollments with Progress Purpose: Analyze completion rates and grade distributions Group By: Course Name, Final Grade Show: Count of enrollments per grade category Chart Type: Donut Chart
- Monthly Student Registration Trends Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Contacts
 Purpose: Track registration patterns over time Group By: Created Date (by Month)
 Show: Count of new student registrations Chart Type: Line Chart

Matrix Reports Matrix reports show data in both rows and columns, ideal for cross-tabular analysis.

- Student Performance Matrix Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Students with Progress Records Purpose: Compare student performance across different courses Rows: Student Name Columns: Course Name Values: Average Points Earned Summary: Show averages and totals
- Department Course Offering Matrix Path: Reports Tab → New Report → Courses Purpose: Visualize course offerings by department and semester Rows: Department Columns: Status (Active, Completed, Planned) Values: Count of courses

Joined Reports Joined reports combine multiple report types to create comprehensive views.

 Student Academic Overview Purpose: Holistic view of student progress across all areas Block 1: Student demographics (Contacts) Block 2: Current enrollments (Enrollments) Block 3: Recent progress records (Progress with Assignments)
 Common Field: Student ID for linking blocks



2. Custom Report Types

Custom report types define which objects and fields are available when creating reports.

Student Academic Performance Report Type

- Path: Setup → Report Types → New Custom Report Type
- Primary Object: Contact (Students)
- Object Relationships:
 - Contact → Enrollment (A to B)
 - o Enrollment → Progress (B to C)
 - o Progress → Assignment (C to D)
 - Assignment → Course (D to E)
- Available Fields: Student details, enrollment status, assignment scores, course information.

Course Management Report Type

- Path: Setup → Report Types → New Custom Report Type
- Primary Object: Course
- Object Relationships:

- o Course → Assignment (A to B)
- o Course → Enrollment (A to C)
- Enrollment → Contact (C to D)
- Available Fields: Course details, instructor information, enrollment counts, student lists

3. Dashboards

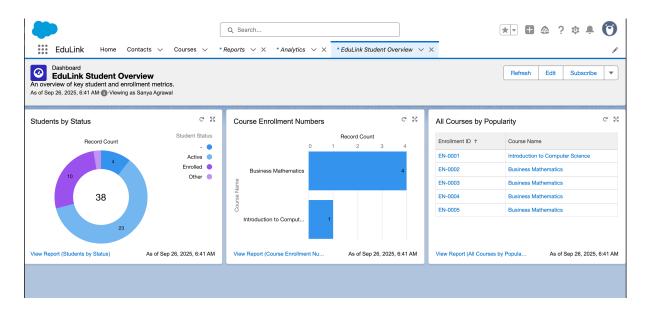
Student Overview Dashboard Components:

- Total Students (Metric Component) Source: Count of active Contact records
- New Registrations This Month (Gauge Chart) Source: Contacts created this month vs target
- Student Status Distribution (Donut Chart) Source: Students grouped by status
- Top Performing Students (Table) Source: Students with highest average grades

A. Key Performance Indicators (Charts) ✓: Donut Chart: "Students by Status"

Bar Chart: "Course Enrollment Numbers"

Tables and Lists : "Top 5 Popular Courses"



4. Dynamic Dashboards

Dynamic dashboards show different data based on the viewer's permissions and role.

Implementation:

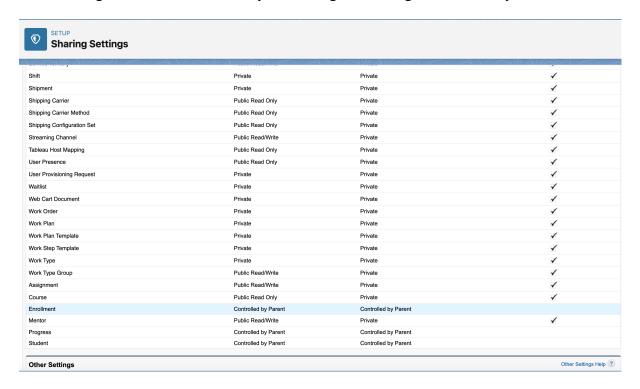
- Path: Dashboard → Edit → Properties → Running User
- Setting: "Let authorized users change running user"

• Options: "Dashboard viewer" or "Specified user"

5. Sharing Settings Review

Organization-Wide Defaults (OWD):

- Contact (Students): Private Protects student personal information
- Course: Public Read Only Allows visibility of course catalog
- Enrollment: Controlled by Parent Inherits security from Contact
- Progress: Private Protects grade information
- Assignment: Public Read Only Allows general assignment visibility



Sharing Rules:

- Instructor Course Access Rule Type: Owner-based sharing rule Shares: Course records owned by instructors With: All users in instructor roles Access Level: Read/Write
- Department Student Access Rule Type: Criteria-based sharing rule Shares: Student records where Department equals user's department With: Department-specific roles Access Level: Read Only
- Academic Performance Sharing Type: Owner-based sharing rule Shares: Progress records With: Course instructors and department heads Access Level: Read Only

6. Field-Level Security

Sensitive Field Protection: Configure field-level security to hide sensitive information from unauthorized users.

Contact Object Security:

- SSN/National ID: Visible to System Admin only
- Personal Phone: Hidden from Student profile
- Emergency Contact: Visible to Admin and Student Services only
- Financial Aid Status: Admin and Admissions Staff only

Profile-Based Access:

- EduLink Student Profile: Limited field access, read-only on most fields
- EduLink Instructor Profile: Full access to assigned course data
- EduLink Admin Profile: Full access to all fields
- EduLink Admissions Staff Profile: Access to application and enrollment fields

7. Session Settings

Security Configuration:

Path: Setup → Session Settings

Session Timeout:

• Timeout: 2 hours of inactivity

• Timeout Warning: 10 minutes before timeout

• Force logout: Enabled

Session Security:

• Lock sessions to IP address: Enabled

· Lock sessions to domain: Enabled

• Require secure connections (HTTPS): Enabled

Enable clickjack protection: EnabledEnable CSRF protection: Enabled

Password Policies:

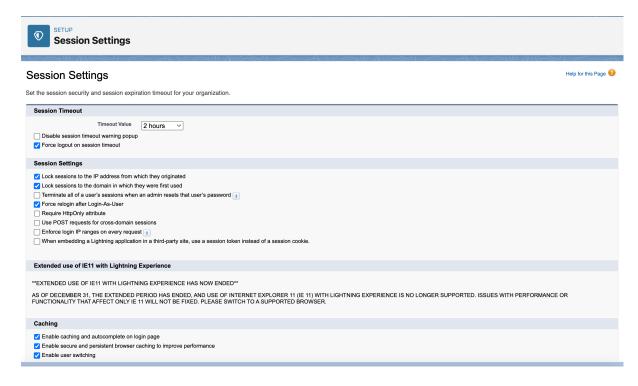
• Path: Setup → Password Policies

• Minimum length: 8 characters

• Complexity requirements: Must contain letters and numbers

Password history: Remember last 3 passwords

• Expiration: 90 days



8. Login IP Ranges

Network Access Configuration:

Path: Setup → Network Access

Organizational IP Ranges:

- University Campus Network: 192.168.1.0 192.168.1.255
- Administrative Building: 10.0.0.0 10.0.0.255

Profile-Specific IP Restrictions:

- EduLink Admin Profile: Office network + VPN ranges
- EduLink Instructor Profile: Campus network only
- EduLink Student Profile: No IP restrictions (allow home access)
- EduLink Admissions Staff Profile: Campus network + remote work IPs

Trusted IP Ranges: Configure trusted IP ranges to bypass additional login verification:

- Campus WiFi networks
- Administrative VPN connections
- Designated remote work locations

9. Audit Trail

Setup Audit Trail:

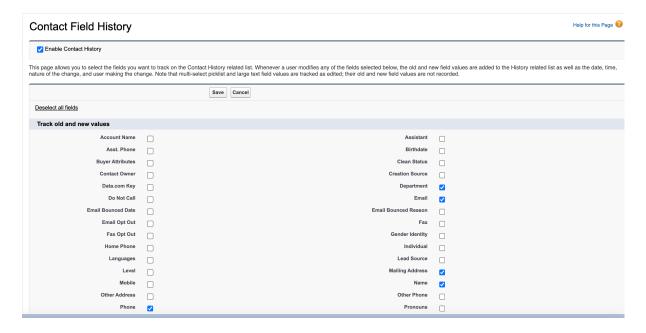
Path: Setup → Audit Trail

- Retention Period: 6 months (maximum available)
- Download Options: Available for compliance reporting

Field History Tracking: Enable tracking on critical fields to maintain data integrity audit trails.

Contact Object Tracking:

- Student Status changes
- Contact information updates
- Enrollment date modifications



Course Object Tracking:

- Instructor assignments
- Course status changes
- Enrollment capacity modifications

Course Field History

Help for this Page

This page allows you to select the fields you want to track on the Course History related list. Whenever a user modifies any of the fields selected below, the old and new field values are added to the History related list as well as the date, time, nature of the change, and user making the change. Note that multi-select picklist and large text field values are tracked as edited; their old and new field values are not recorded.

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Deselect all fields				
Track old and new values				
Approval Status	☑		Course Code	
Course Name			Credits	
Department			End Date	✓
Instructor	~		Owner	
Record Type			Start Date	▽
Status	~		Thesis Supervisor	
Track changes only				
Description				
		Save Cancel		