12-Week Backend Engineering Plan

Project Name: ScoutConnect - Smart Scouting Platform for Talent Discovery & Collaboration



PHASE 1 – Foundation & Setup (Weeks 1–4)

Week 1: Project Kickoff & Environment Setup

- Create GitHub repo, initialize project
- Set up virtual environment and dependencies (FastAPI or Django)
- Install PostgreSQL and pgAdmin
- Design folder structure (/models, /routes, /services, /utils, etc.)
- Set up Docker (Dockerfile, docker-compose.yml)
- Build .env config and add .gitignore
- Start README . md with project overview

Week 2: Database Design + User Auth

- Design and create your database schema (ERD)
 - o Users, Players, Evaluations, Stats, Templates, Comments, Watchlist, Tags
- Implement user registration/login/logout with JWT
- Add user roles: Coach, Scout, Admin

Secure routes with role-based access

Week 3: Core API - Player Profiles & Evaluations

- Build /players CRUD routes
- Build /evaluations:
 - Create + retrieve evaluations
 - Attach to player + evaluator
- Link evaluation criteria by sport/position
- Test routes with Postman

Week 4: Multi-Sport Criteria System

- Build /criteria-generator:
 - o Input: sport, position
 - Output: custom evaluation form (speed, IQ, clutch, etc.)
- Create backend logic for:
 - o Default forms by sport
 - Custom forms saved per coach
- Store reusable templates in DB
- Build /coach/templates route

Week 5: Scoring Engine (Universal + Sport-Specific)

- Build evaluation scoring algorithm:
 - Weighted scores for metrics
 - Clutch rating (based on tags like 4th quarter)
- Add /player/{id}/score endpoint
- Display breakdown of:
 - Overall score, clutch %, growth %, etc.

Week 6: Recruitability & Hidden Talent Engine

- Build /recruitability endpoint:
 - o Factors: growth, injuries, clutch, effort, feedback
- Build /hidden-gems endpoint:
 - o Query players with high growth & effort, low visibility
- Add filters (age, level, sport)

Week 7: Player Comparison + Watchlists

- Create / compare endpoint:
 - o Input: 2+ player IDs
 - Output: side-by-side metrics

- Create /watchlist:
 - o Add/remove players per user
 - Route to view all watchlisted players

Week 8: Collaboration & Comments

- Build /comments:
 - Add/view comments on players or evaluations
- Build /share-eval:
 - Share player evaluations with other scouts/coaches
- Add tagging system (#underrated, #clutch, etc.)
- Build /notifications (optional stretch)

→ PHASE 3 – Data Ingestion, Testing & Final Polish (Weeks 9–12)

Week 9: Real-Time Stat Integration

- Build /stats/upload:
 - Upload CSV or JSON with player stats
 - Update player records & evaluation scores
- Track trends like:
 - o Last 5 games

- Game-by-game performance dips/gains
- Link to clutch rating updates

Week 10: Injury Risk & Recovery Tracker

- Add health profile to players
- Input missed games, injuries, recovery notes
- Predict future injury risk using:
 - o Game load, stat drops, injury history
- Build /injury-report endpoint

Week 11: Testing, Validation & Error Handling

- Add unit and integration tests (pytest or Django TestCase)
- Validate inputs with Pydantic/Django Forms
- Handle auth errors, 404s, bad input, duplicate users
- Finalize complete API docs with Swagger/OpenAPI

Week 12: Final Polish & Demo Prep

- Final code cleanup + comments
- Write documentation (README.md, setup guide)
- Record a project demo or presentation
- (Optional) Deploy locally with Docker or use Render/Railway

• Present to bootcamp or mentor for feedback

Part Deliverables by End of Project

- Fully functional backend app with auth, API, scoring, logic, collaboration
- SQL database with players, stats, evaluations, and scout feedback
- Dockerized local environment with README.md
- Postman collection for API testing
- (Optional) Live deployment link for demo