

Mobile Human-Computer Interaction

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GOOGLE FIREBASE

Google Firebase

- A comprehensive mobile development platform
 - Analytics
 - Cloud Messaging
 - Realtime Database
 - Authentication
 - ML Kit

Learning Google Firebase

- Get started for Android -

<https://firebase.google.com/docs/android/setup>

- Realtime Database -

<https://firebase.google.com/docs/database/>

- Machine Learning -

<https://firebase.google.com/docs/ml-kit/>

- Photo Basics -

<https://developer.android.com/training/camera/photobasics>

Firebase – MHCI4 Lab

Create Android Project

Application name
MHCI4FBDemo

Company domain
harry.ugs.social

Project location
/Users/harry/Downloads/ugs.depressiondetect.mobileapp/MHCI4FBDemo [...](#)

Package name
social.ugs.harry.mhci4fbdemo [Edit](#)

Include C++ support

Include Kotlin support

Select the form factors and minimum SDK

Some devices require additional SDKs. Low API levels target more devices, but offer fewer API features.

Phone and Tablet

API 15: Android 4.0.3 (IceCreamSandwich)

By targeting **API 15 and later**, your app will run on approximately **100%** of devices. [Help me choose](#)

Include Android Instant App support

Wear OS

API 23: Android 6.0 (Marshmallow)

TV

API 21: Android 5.0 (Lollipop)

Android Auto

Android Things

API 24: Android 7.0 (Nougat)

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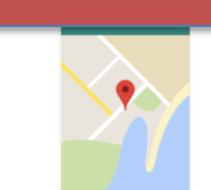
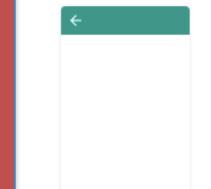
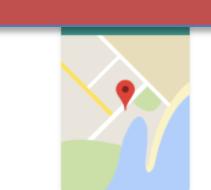
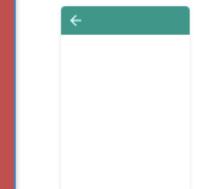


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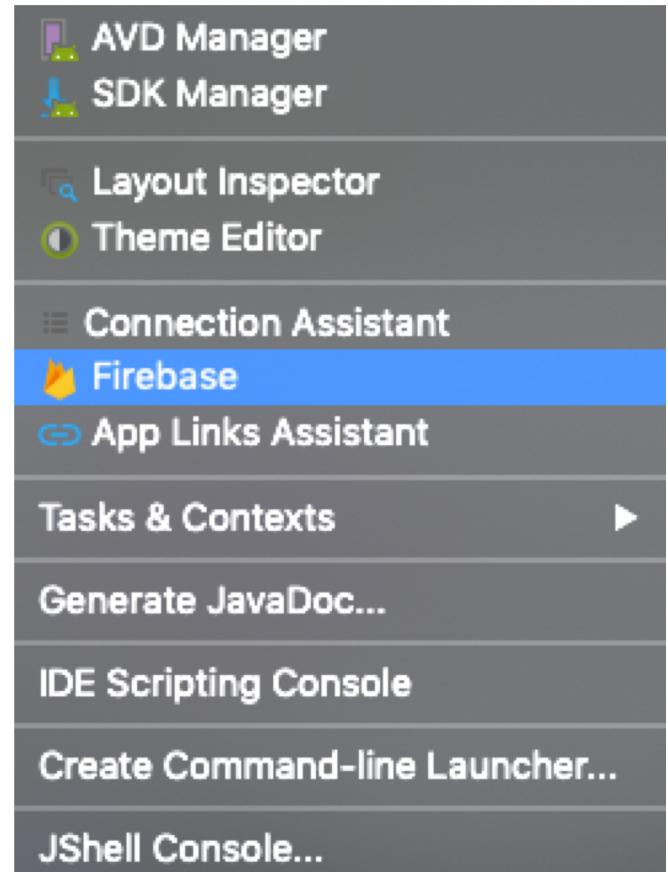
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Launch Firebase Assistant

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Firebase gives you the tools and infrastructure from Google to help you develop, grow and earn money from your app. [Learn more](#)

▶ Analytics

Measure user activity and engagement with free, easy, and unlimited analytics. [More info](#)

▶ Cloud Messaging

Deliver and receive messages and notifications reliably across cloud and device. [More info](#)

▶ Authentication

Sign in and manage users with ease, accepting emails, Google Sign-In, Facebook and other login providers. [More info](#)

▼ Realtime Database

Store and sync data in realtime across all connected clients. [More info](#)

Save and retrieve data

▶ Storage

Store and retrieve large files like images, audio, and video without writing server-side code. [More info](#)

▶ Remote Config

Customize and experiment with app behavior using cloud-based configuration parameters. [More info](#)

▶ Test Lab

Test your apps against a wide range of physical devices hosted in Google's cloud. [More info](#)

▶ Crash Reporting

Get actionable insights and reports on app crashes, ANRs or other errors. [More info](#)

▶ App Indexing

Get your app content into Google Search. [More info](#)

▶ Dynamic Links

Create web URLs that can be shared to drive app installs and deep-linked into relevant content of your app. [More info](#)

▶ Invites

Let your existing users easily share your app, or their favorite in-app content, via email or SMS. [More info](#)

Save and retrieve data

Our cloud database stays synced to all connected clients in realtime and remains available when your app goes offline. Data is stored in a JSON tree structure rather than a table, eliminating the need for complex SQL queries.

[Launch in browser](#)

① Connect your app to Firebase

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② Add the Realtime Database to your app

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③ Configure Firebase Database Rules

The Realtime Database provides a declarative rules language that allows you to define how your data should be structured, how it should be indexed, and when your data can be read from and written to. By default, read and write access to your database is restricted so only authenticated users can read or write data. To get started without setting up [Authentication](#), you can [configure your rules for public access](#). This does make your database open to anyone, even people not using your app, so be sure to restrict your database again when you set up authentication.

④ Write to your database

Retrieve an instance of your database using `getInstance()` and reference the location you want to write to.

```
// Write a message to the database
FirebaseDatabase database = FirebaseDatabase.getInstance();
DatabaseReference myRef = database.getReference("message");

myRef.setValue("Hello, World!");
```

You can save a range of data types to the database this way, including Java objects. When you save an object the responses from any getters will be saved as children of this location.

Firebase Setup (Google Services)

- Once connected

- app/google-services.json should appear

- build.gradle

```
dependencies {  
    classpath 'com.android.tools.build:gradle:3.2.1'  
    classpath 'com.google.gms:google-services:4.2.0' // google-services plugin  
    ...  
}
```

- app/build.gradle (at the bottom)

```
...  
apply plugin: 'com.google.gms.google-services'
```

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⑤ Read from your database

To make your app data update in realtime, you should add a [ValueEventListener](#) to the reference you just created.

The `onDataChange()` method in this class is triggered once when the listener is attached and again every time the data changes, including the children.

```
// Read from the database
myRef.addValueEventListener(new ValueEventListener() {
    @Override
    public void onDataChange(DataSnapshot dataSnapshot) {
        // This method is called once with the initial value and again
        // whenever data at this location is updated.
        String value = dataSnapshot.getValue(String.class);
        Log.d(TAG, "Value is: " + value);
    }

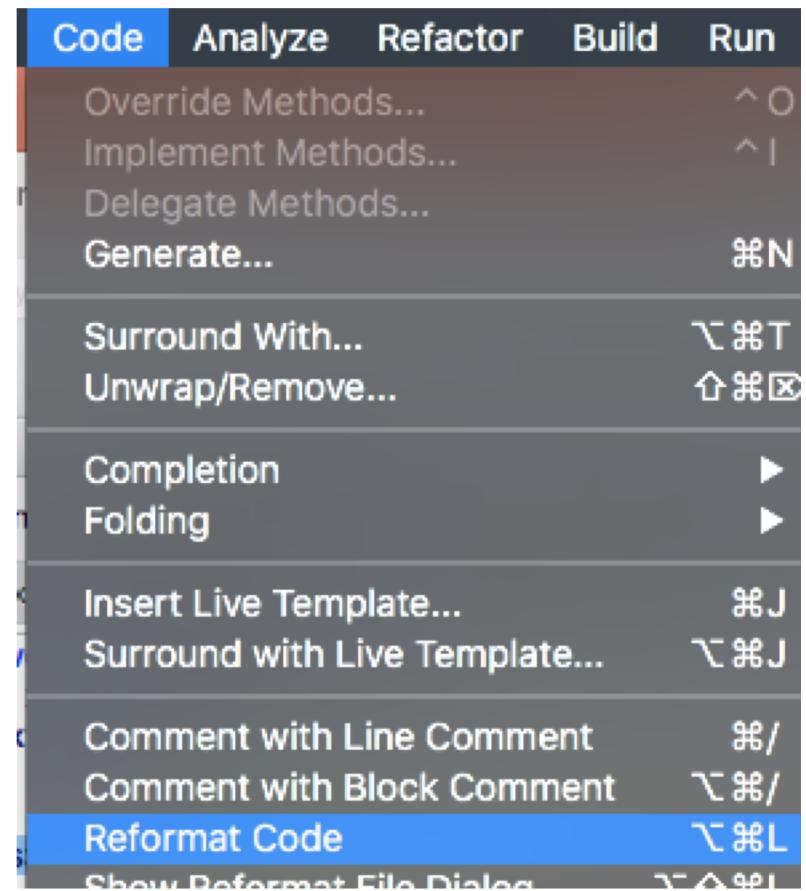
    @Override
    public void onCancelled(DatabaseError error) {
        // Failed to read value
        Log.w(TAG, "Failed to read value.", error.toException());
    }
});
```

Vision API

Feature	On-device	Cloud
Text recognition	✓	✓
Face detection	✓	
Barcode scanning	✓	
Image labeling	✓	✓
Landmark recognition		✓
Language identification	✓	
Custom model inference	✓	

Firebase Vision API

HANDS-ON



app/build.gradle

```
android {  
    ...  
    packagingOptions {  
        exclude 'META-INF/proguard/androidx-annotations.pro'  
        exclude 'META-INF/DEPENDENCIES'  
    }  
    ...  
}  
...  
dependencies {  
    ...  
    implementation 'com.google.firebaseio:firebase-core:16.0.7'  
    implementation "com.google.firebaseio:firebase-measurement-connector-impl:17.0.4"  
    implementation 'com.google.firebaseio:firebase-ml-vision:18.0.2'  
    implementation 'com.google.firebaseio:firebase-ml-vision-image-label-model:17.0.2'  
    ...  
}  
...  
apply plugin: 'com.google.gms.google-services'
```

app/src/main/AndroidManifest.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="social.ugs.harry.mhci4_fb_demo">
    <uses-feature android:name="android.hardware.camera" android:required="true" />
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.CAMERA" />
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE"/>

    <application ...>
        ...
        <provider
            android:name="android.support.v4.content.FileProvider"
            android:authorities="social.ugm.mhci.fileprovider"
            android:exported="false"
            android:grantUriPermissions="true">
            <meta-data
                android:name="android.support.FILE_PROVIDER_PATHS"
                android:resource="@xml/file_paths"></meta-data>
        </provider>
        ...
    </application>
</manifest>
```

XML

- Create app/src/res/xml/file_paths.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<paths xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">
    <external-path name="my_images" path="Android/data" />
</paths>
```

app/src/main/res/layout/activity_main.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:app="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res-auto"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:layout_width="match_parent" android:layout_height="match_parent" tools:context=".MainActivity">

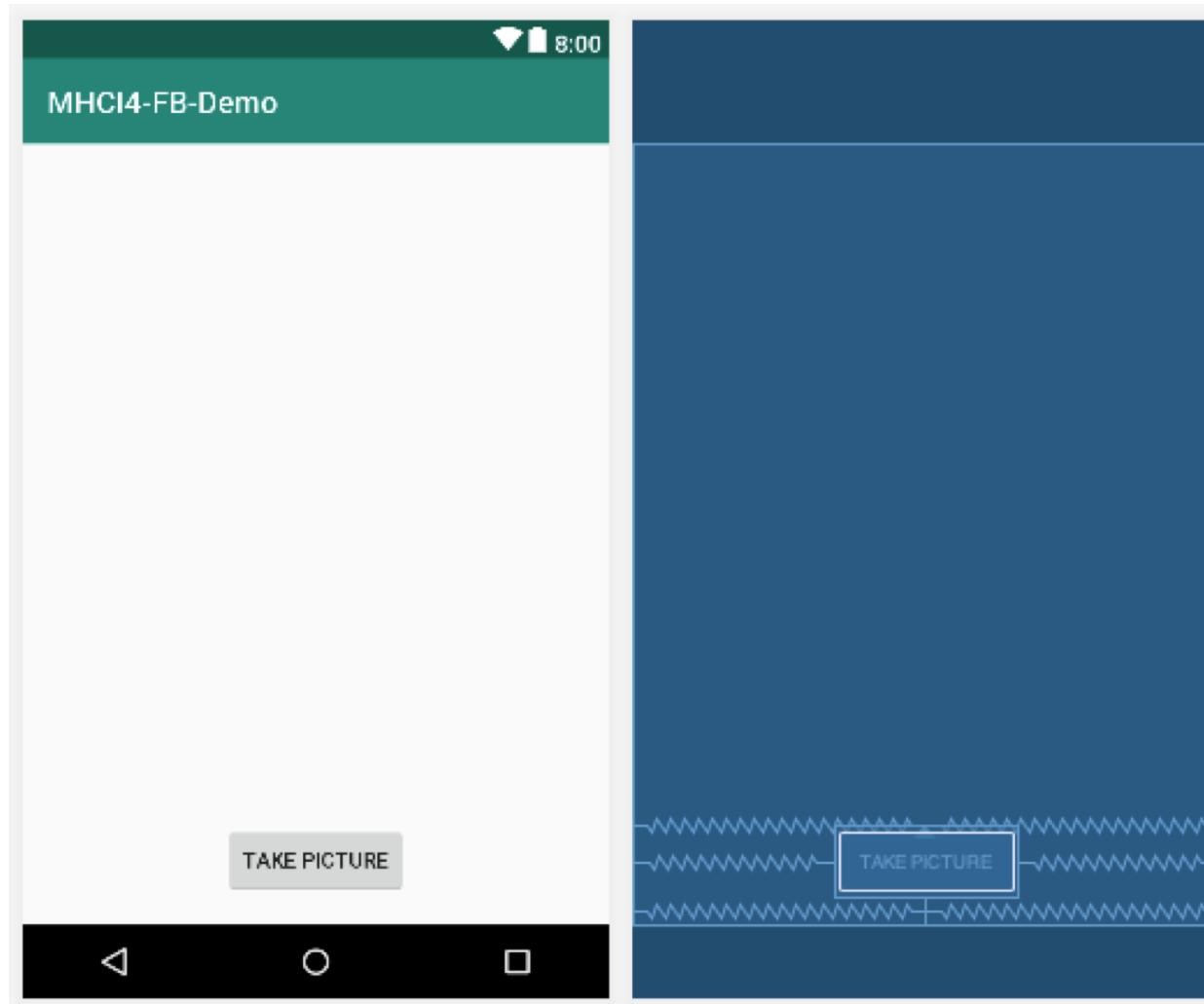
    <ImageView
        android:id="@+id/image_preview"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content" android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_above="@+id/button_take_picture" android:layout_centerHorizontal="true" />

    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button_take_picture"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content" android:layout_height="48dp"
        android:layout_above="@+id/text_info" android:layout_centerHorizontal="true"
        android:onClick="takePicture"
        android:text="Take picture" />

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/text_info"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content" android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:layout_alignParentBottom="true" android:layout_centerHorizontal="true"
        android:layout_marginEnd="152dp" android:layout_marginRight="152dp"
        android:text="" />

</RelativeLayout>
```

app/src/main/res/layout/activity_main.xml



MainActivity.java (1)

```
private String currentPhotoPath; // Class variable

@Override
protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

    Button takePictureButton = (Button) findViewById(R.id.button_take_picture);

    if (ContextCompat.checkSelfPermission(this, Manifest.permission.CAMERA) != PackageManager.PERMISSION_GRANTED) {
        takePictureButton.setEnabled(false);
        ActivityCompat.requestPermissions(this, new String[]{Manifest.permission.CAMERA,
            Manifest.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE}, 0);
    }
}

...

```

MainActivity.java (2)

```
@Override
public void onRequestPermissionsResult(int requestCode, String[] permissions, int[] grantResults) {
    if (requestCode == 0) {
        if (grantResults.length > 0 && grantResults[0] == PackageManager.PERMISSION_GRANTED &&
grantResults[1] == PackageManager.PERMISSION_GRANTED) {
            ((Button) findViewById(R.id.button_take_picture)).setEnabled(true);
        }
    }
}

private File createMediaFile() throws java.io.IOException {
    File storageDir = getExternalFilesDir(Environment.DIRECTORY_PICTURES);
    File image = File.createTempFile(String.valueOf(new Date().getTime()), ".jpg", storageDir);
    currentPhotoPath = image.getAbsolutePath();
    return image;
}
```

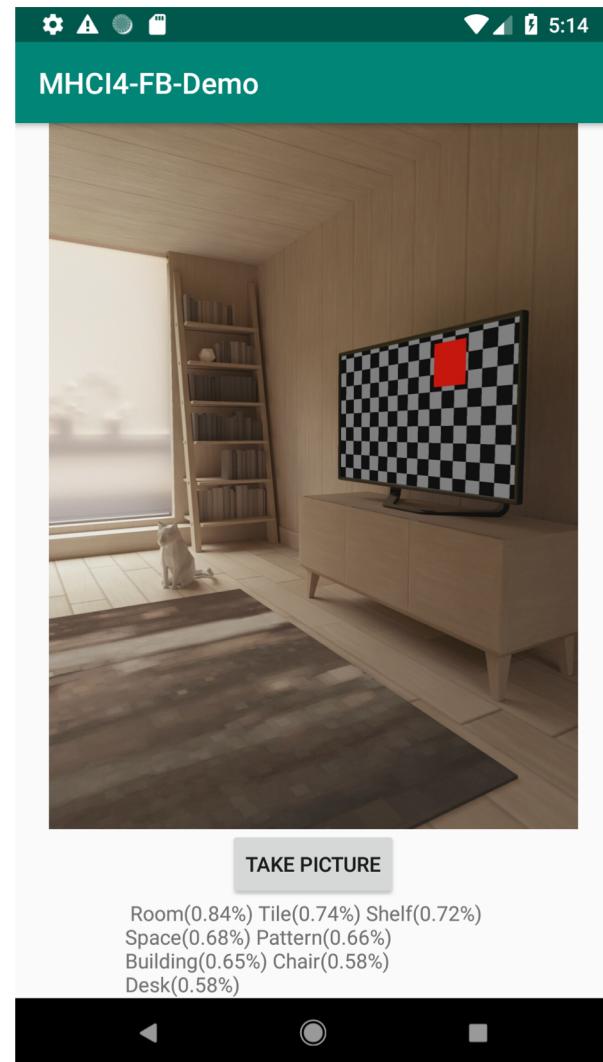
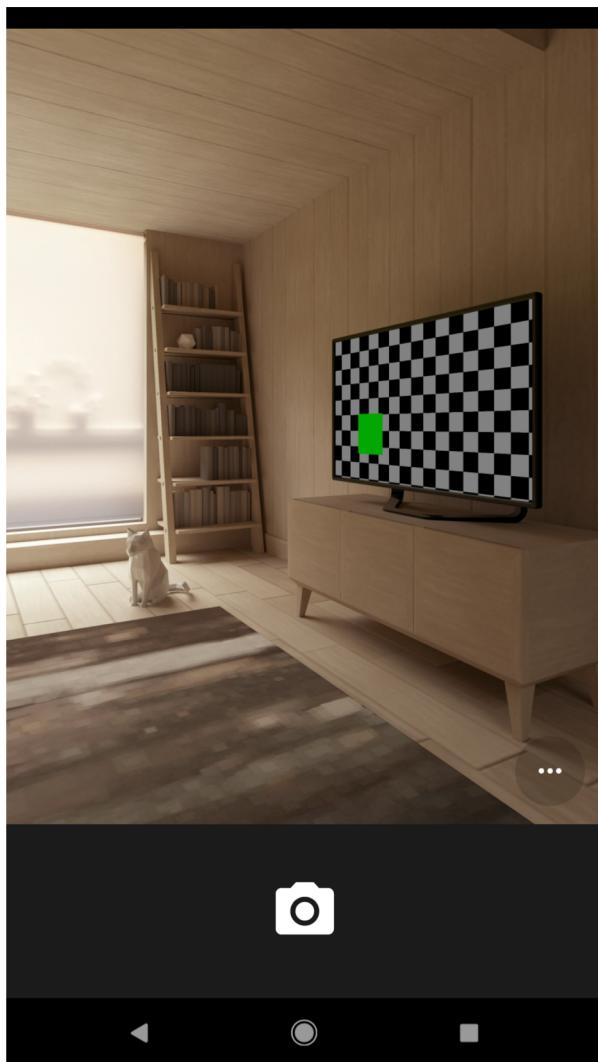
MainActivity.java (3)

```
public void takePicture(View view) throws IOException {
    Intent intent = new Intent(MediaStore.ACTION_IMAGE_CAPTURE);
    Intent takePictureIntent = new Intent(MediaStore.ACTION_IMAGE_CAPTURE);
    takePictureIntent.putExtra(MediaStore.EXTRA_OUTPUT, FileProvider.getUriForFile(this,
"social.uog.mhci.fileprovider", createMediaFile()));
    if (takePictureIntent.resolveActivity(getApplicationContext()) != null) {
        startActivityForResult(takePictureIntent, 1);
    }
}
```

MainActivity.java (4)

```
@Override
protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data) {
    if (requestCode == 1 && resultCode == RESULT_OK) {
        Uri photoUri = Uri.fromFile(new File(currentPhotoPath));
        ((ImageView) findViewById(R.id.image_preview)).setImageURI(photoUri);
        try {
            FirebaseVisionImage image = FirebaseVisionImage.fromFilePath(this, photoUri);
            FirebaseVisionLabelDetector detector = FirebaseVision.getInstance().getVisionLabelDetector();
            Task<List<FirebaseVisionLabel>> result = detector.detectInImage(image)
                .addOnSuccessListener(new OnSuccessListener<List<FirebaseVisionLabel>>() {
                    @Override
                    public void onSuccess(List<FirebaseVisionLabel> labels) {
                        TextView infoText = findViewById(R.id.text_info);
                        infoText.setText("");
                        for (FirebaseVisionLabel label: labels) {
                            infoText.setText(infoText.getText() + " " + label.getLabel() + "(" + String.format("%.02f",
                                label.getConfidence()) + "%)");
                        }
                    }
                });
        } catch (IOException e) { }
    }
}
```

Label Detection



Google Cloud Platform Education Grants

- Students' email domain(s):
@student.gla.ac.uk
- Students can request coupons from the URL and redeem them until: 7/5/2019
- Coupons Valid Through: 7/1/2020
- Number of Coupons: 80
- Face Value of Coupon(s): USD 50.00
- <http://mhci4-gcp.ugs.social>