# 1. Project Overview

InternLink Hub is a Salesforce-based CRM platform designed to streamline internship and placement management for **students**, **recruiters**, **and placement officers**. The system provides a centralized hub where opportunities can be posted, applications tracked, and placements managed with transparency.

Through 10 structured phases, the project addressed real-world challenges such as internship postings, application management, placement tracking, recruiter-student communication, and role-based access control.

The solution was built on Salesforce with scalable features including custom objects, flows, Apex triggers, validation rules, reports, and dashboards.

The project delivered an end-to-end system where:

- Students can view internships, apply, and track their application/placement status.
- **Recruiters** can post opportunities, review applicants, and update statuses.
- **Placement Officers** can oversee the entire lifecycle, generate reports, and approve placements.

### 2. Problem Statement

Managing internships and placements in colleges and organizations is often manual, fragmented, and lacks transparency. The challenges include:

- Difficulty in managing student applications across multiple internships.
- Lack of real-time visibility into application and placement status.
- Communication gaps between recruiters, students, and placement officers.
- No centralized dashboards for data-driven decision-making.
- Absence of role-based access, leading to cluttered views for different users. As a

result, the process becomes time-consuming and inefficient.

**InternLink Hub** addresses this gap by providing a **centralized**, **automated Salesforce CRM solution** for internship and placement management.

#### 3. Solution Overview

The InternLink Hub project was implemented in Salesforce with a focus on **role-based views and automation**. Key features delivered include:

• **Custom Objects** for Students, Companies, Internships, Applications, and Placements.

- **Tabs** configured for easy access based on roles.
- Flows for automated placement approval and application submission.
- Apex Classes/Triggers for handling backend logic and automation.
- Validation Rules for data consistency (e.g., phone numbers with +91 format).
- **Reports s Dashboards** for real-time tracking of applications and placements.
- Lightning App (InternLink Hub) combining all functionalities into a single workspace.

### 4. Project Phases s Deliverables

## Phase 1: Problem Understanding s Industry Analysis

- Identified issues in manual internship and placement tracking.
- Defined need for automation, transparency, and dashboards.
- Success metrics defined: role-based access, reduced manual work, improved reporting.

# Phase 2: Org Setup s Configuration

- Salesforce Developer Org created.
- Defined Roles: Placement Officer, Recruiter, Student.
- Created Profiles with specific object and tab permissions.
- Security Model configured (OWD, FLS, Permission Sets).

## Phase 3: Data Modeling s Relationships

- Created custom objects:
  - o **Student\_c** → Personal details, skills, resume.
  - o Company\_c  $\rightarrow$  Company info and contact details.
  - o Internship\_c  $\rightarrow$  Internship details and requirements.
  - o **Application\_c**  $\rightarrow$  Links student to internship with status.
  - o **Placement\_c**  $\rightarrow$  Final placement record with package.
- Relationships defined (Student ↔ Application ↔ Internship ↔ Company).
- Page Layouts, Record Types, and Compact Layouts configured.

### **Phase 4: Process Automation**

- Flows built for:
  - $\circ$  **Placement Officer Flow**  $\rightarrow$  when a student is selected.
  - o **Recruiter Flow**  $\rightarrow$  when an application is submitted.

• Validation Rule: Phone number must include +G1 and 12 digits.

## **Phase 5: Apex Development**

- Apex Classes for custom logic supporting flows.
- Triggers for automated status updates and notifications.
- Test Classes developed (>75% code coverage).

# Phase 6: Lightning Web Components (LWCs)

• Not implemented. Used **standard Lightning components** for layouts and dashboards.

# **Phase 7: Integration**

• Not implemented. Future scope to integrate with Job Portals or HR Systems. Phase

## 8: Data Management s Deployment

- Created sample student, company, internship, and application records.
- Used Data Loader for bulk import/export.
- Simple deployment in Developer Org.

## Phase G: Reporting s Dashboards

- Reports created for:
  - Student details.
  - Internship postings by company.
  - Application statuses.
  - Placement statistics.
- Dashboards created (e.g., **Student Progress Dashboard**) to visualize end-to-end lifecycle.
- Dynamic Dashboards enabled for role-based visibility.

### Phase 10: Final Presentation s Wrap-Up

- Consolidated documentation and demo video created.
- Showcased views for System Admin, Placement Officer, Recruiter, and Student.
- Demonstrated reports, dashboards, flows, and automation.

## 5. Security s Compliance

- Data Security: Roles, Profiles, OWD, and FLS enforced.
- GDPR compliance maintained (data usage limited to demo data).
- Audit Trail enabled for activity tracking.

# **6. Project Outcomes**

- Delivered InternLink Hub Lightning App with 5 custom objects and role-based tabs.
- Automated key processes with flows and Apex triggers.
- Improved data accuracy with validation rules.
- Built **reports and dashboards** for transparency in applications and placements.
- Established a complete system for **students**, **recruiters**, **and placement officers** to collaborate.

#### 7. Future Enhancements

- Einstein Analytics for predictive placement trends.
- Student Portal LWC for a more interactive interface.
- Integration with external job portals for real-world internship data.
- Mobile App extension for students and recruiters.

Test Case 1: Phone Number Validation Rule

Use Case / Scenario:

Testing the validation rule that prevents saving a Student record with an invalid Phone Number format.

Test Steps (with input):

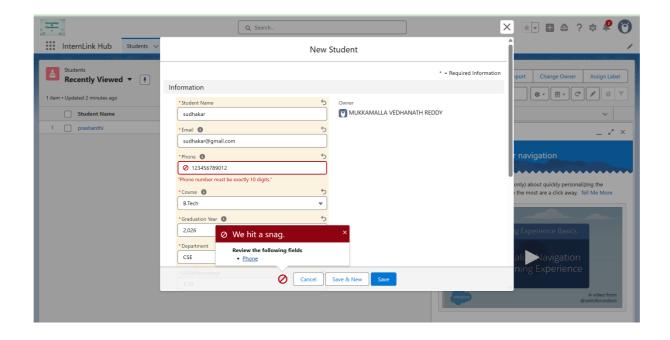
- 1. Navigated to the Students tab and clicked New.
- 2. Entered Student details with a Phone Number as 123 (invalid format).
- 3. Clicked Save.

# **Expected Result:**

Salesforce should prevent the record from being saved and display the error message: "Enter a valid phone number with 10 digits."

Actual Result (with Screenshot):

The actual result matched the expected result. The system correctly blocked the record creation and displayed the specified error message.



#### Test Case 2: Gmail Validation Rule

Use Case / Scenario:

Testing the validation rule that prevents saving a Student record unless the Email field contains a valid Gmail address (ending with @gmail.com).

#### Test Steps (with input):

- 1. Navigated to the Students tab and clicked New.
- 2. Entered Student details with Email = john.doe@yahoo.com (invalid, not Gmail).
- 3. Clicked Save.

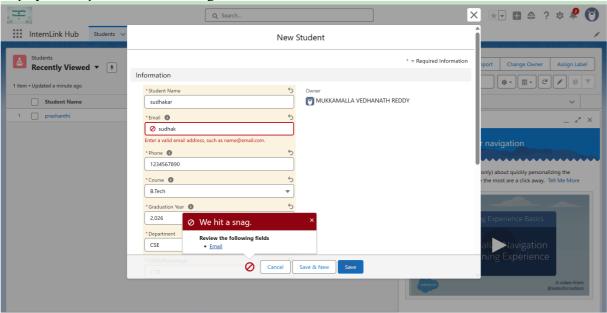
### Expected Result:

Salesforce should prevent the record from being saved and display the error message:

"Enter a valid Gmail address (must end with @gmail.com)."

### **Actual Result (with Screenshot):**

The actual result matched the expected result. The system correctly blocked the record creation and displayed the specified error message.



#### **Use Case / Scenario:**

Testing the validation rule that prevents saving an Internship record when the Opening Name contains alphabetic characters instead of numeric values.

# **Test Steps (with input):**

Navigate to the **Internships** tab and click **New**.

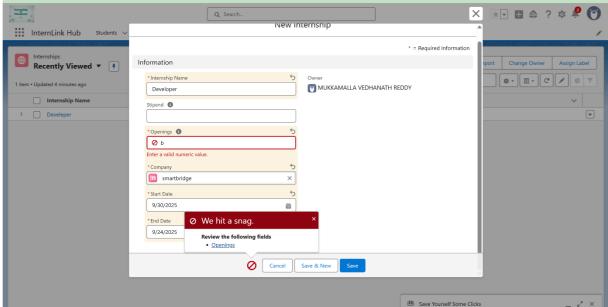
Enter Internship details with Opening Name as Five (invalid format using numeric format).

### **Expected Result:**

Salesforce should prevent the record from being saved and display the error message: "Enter a valid number for openings."

## **Actual Result (with Screenshot):**

The system correctly blocked the record creation and displayed the specified error message, ensuring only valid numeric data is accepted for the Opening field.



## Conclusion

The InternLink Hub project successfully streamlined the internship and placement process using Salesforce. By combining **custom objects**, **automation**, **Apex**, **validation**, **reports**, **dashboards**, **and role-based access**, the system improved transparency, reduced manual work, and enhanced decision-making.

**Final Status:** Project Completed (Phase 1–10)

**Deliverables:** Documentation, Apex Code, Validation Rules, Reports, Dashboards, Lightning App, and Demo Presentation