

# Internet Portal and Dashboard Academic Project

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## Project Overview

During my first year at the University of Johannesburg, I served as team leader for an academic Information Systems-related project focused on creating an internet portal with a dashboard. The project introduced me to the practical role that digital platforms can play in organizing information, improving access to data, and supporting better decision-making.

## My Role

As team leader, I was responsible for coordinating the team, organizing responsibilities, supporting communication, and helping ensure that the project moved from concept to completion. This experience strengthened my leadership, planning, problem-solving, and collaboration skills while giving me early exposure to applied Information Systems work.

## Project Purpose

The purpose of the project was to design a digital portal that could present information in a more accessible and structured way. The dashboard component was intended to help users view key information clearly, monitor activity, and understand important data points more efficiently.

## Skills Demonstrated

- Information Systems thinking and digital platform design
- Dashboard concept development and user-centered information presentation
- Team leadership, coordination, and communication
- Academic project planning and task management
- Business problem-solving through digital tools

## Relevance to Graduate Study

This project helped shape my interest in Information Systems because it showed me how digital platforms and dashboards can support organizational decision-making. It also strengthened my motivation to pursue graduate study in Information Systems, where I hope to deepen my knowledge of enterprise systems, data-driven decision-making, digital transformation, and information management.

## **Future Direction**

My goal is to build on this foundation by studying Information Systems at graduate level and learning how to design, manage, and improve digital systems that help organizations make better decisions. I am especially interested in the role of information systems, dashboards, and digital platforms in supporting business efficiency and development in South Africa and across Africa.