# MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Project Plan Financial 4.0 Interactive Budgeting Tool The Capstone Experience

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### **Functional Specifications**

- Allows users to create goals and categorize transactions for their budget
- Gives savings and expense analysis based on budget goals
- Creates projections based on the users current financial status
- Will have a set of challenges all users may compete in
- Provides daily financial tips
- Utilizes API that MSUFCU will integrate with their existing Content Management System

### **Design Specifications**

- During a users initial login they will be taken to the Budget Tracker Setup Screen
- Budget Tracker Main Screen will show the status of current budget goals
- The Accounts Screen will aggregate the current balances of all of the users accounts
- Ledger Screen will display all of transactions
- Add Entry Screen allows you to create and categorize a new transaction
- The Challenge screen will show your status in the challenges you are participating in

## Screen Mockup: Login

<b>Financial 4.0</b>	
Login	
Login	
Username	
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Create Account Login	
Oakland University 800-766-OUCU • 248-364-4708 Michigan State 800-678-4968 • 517-333-2424 Mon-Fri 7:00 a.m 9:00 p.m. ET Sat 9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m. ET	

## Screen Mockup: Budget Setup

<b>Financial 4.0</b>		1	
	Budget	Edit	
Food		40%	
Coffee		20%	
Shopping		20%	
Auto		20%	
Savings	\$50.0	0 Saved	



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## Screen Mockup: Accounts

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	Accounts	Edit
Savings		\$5.00
Checking	\$50,000	0,000.00



## Screen Mockup: Home



# Screen Mockup: Challenges





## Screen Mockup: Add An Entry

<b>Fina</b>	ncial 4.0		
	Add		
Description			
Amount			
Account			
Category			
✓ Recurrin	g		
How often?			
Date	Today		
Expense	Deposit		
	Finish		
<b>\</b>	\$	+	

## Screen Mockup: Ledger

Expenses		
Expense	Deposit	
Starbucks	Coffee	
1/2/2015	\$6.24	
Taco Bell	Food	
1/2/2015	\$7.39	
Target	Shopping	
1/2/2015	\$29.57	
Amazon.com	Shopping	
1/2/2015	\$26.94	
Best Buy	Shopping	
1/2/2015	\$52.87	
	Housing	



### **Technical Specifications**

- LAMP stack
  - Linux OS (CentOS)
  - Apache web server
  - MySQL Database
  - PHP server-side programming language
- HTTP requests sent from each platform will be received by our server (for now)
  - OkHttp (Android)
  - AFNetworking (iOS)
- Data will be sent back to our application in JSON format
  - Jackson Library (Android)
  - NSJSONSerialization (iOS)

### System Architecture



#### System Components

- Hardware Platforms
  - LAMP stack
  - DB = MySQL
  - Middleware (Communicates with Database on our Server):
    - $\circ$  PHP  $\leftarrow$  MySQL

#### Software Platforms / Technologies

Mobile

- Android Java, Android Studio
- iOS Objective-C, Xcode
- Desktop
  - HTML, jQuery, CSS, Javascript

#### Testing

- Unit Testing
  - Create testing algorithms for the design and structure of the application
- Focus Group Testing
  - Identify groups of students to test functionality and ease of use of the application
- MSUFCU Employee Testing
  - Deliver prototypes to MSUFCU contacts and other employees to ensure all required features are included

#### Risks

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- Modularity
  - The app must fit into MSUFCU's Application
  - Be sure features and design fit well; converse with client

#### Features

- Creating popups and connecting to social media
- Research these features as soon as possible
- Aesthetics
  - Modern and clean, but not boring
  - Work with MSUFCU Designer