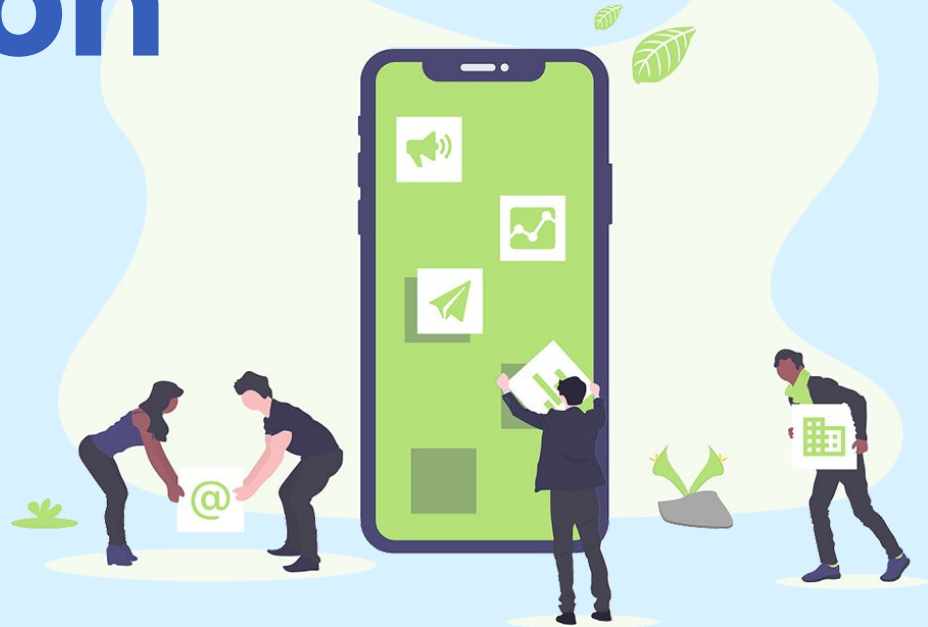


# Low-fi Prototype & Evaluation

Team Mission Impossible



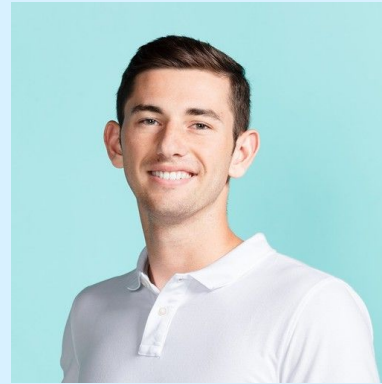
# Our Team



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# Mission Statement

Improve the online learning experience by bringing **students** together and motivate them to collaborate and interact as they would in an in-person setting.

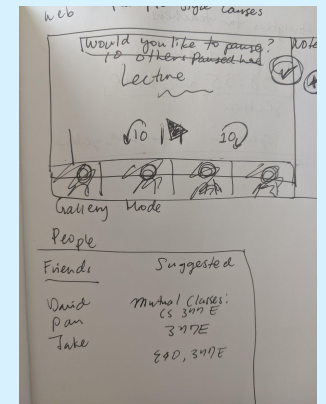
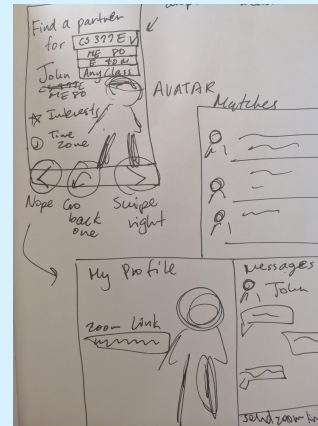
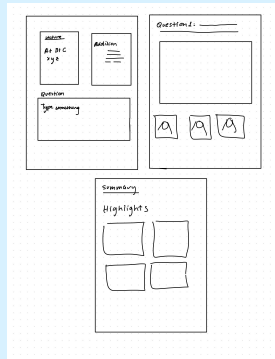
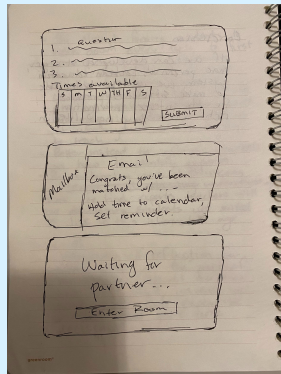
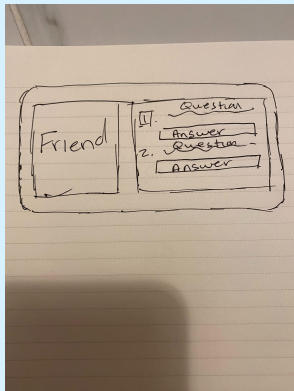
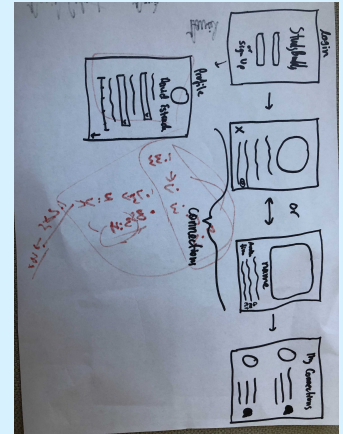
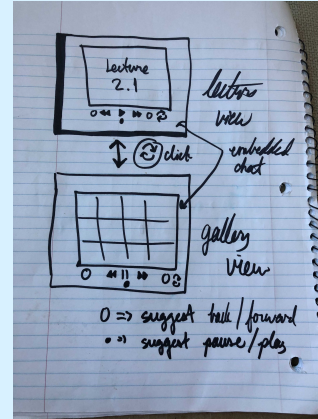
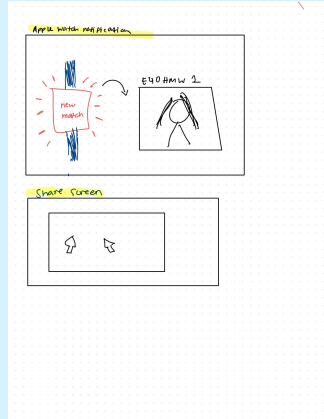
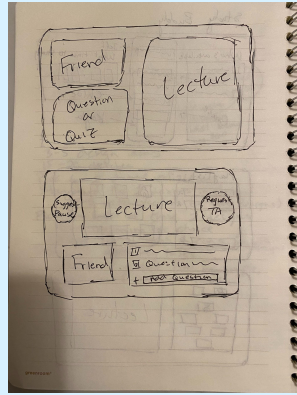
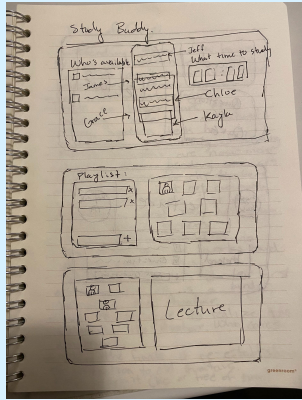


# Problem and Solution Overview

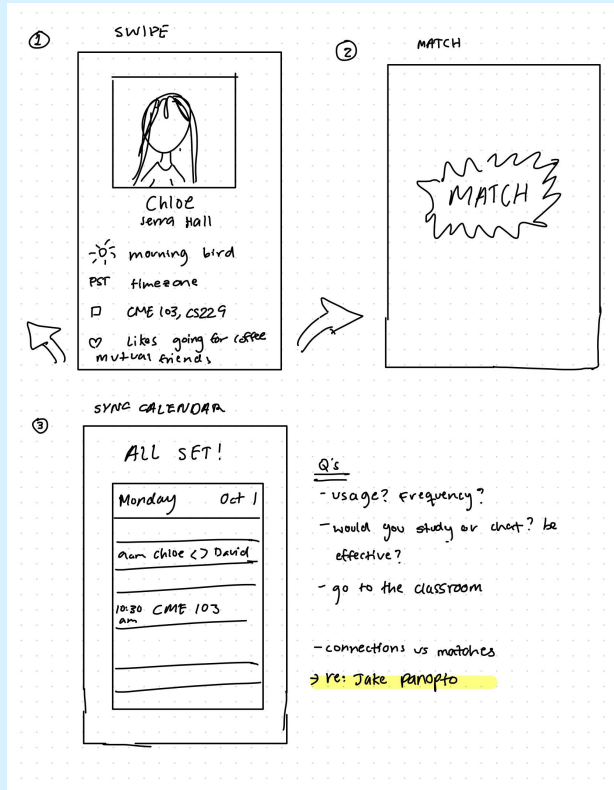
Students across the board are currently struggling with **engagement, motivation, and accountability**, and incoming freshman are hit especially hard. We want to build a **community** that people are excited to join, and make studying less of a **solitary activity**.



# Sketches



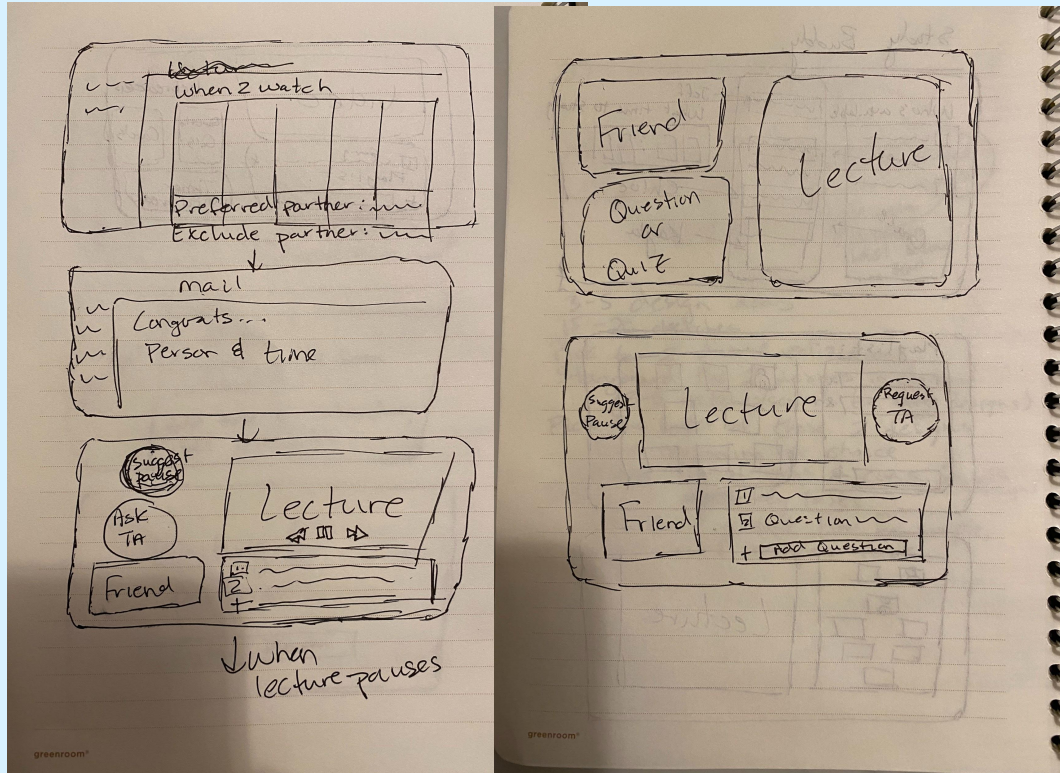
# Design #1: Study Buddy



Why?

- Fun and familiar way to match with people, rather than just an email
- Avatars instead of pictures to almost gamify the system
- Easy to message within the app itself

# Design #2: Recorded Lecture Party



Why?

- Rather than zoom sharing, having a universal pause/play button was key
- Simulates an in-person class feeling, like you are talking to your friend next to you about a question in lecture
- Engaging

# Design #1: Study Buddy

## Pros

- Reduces friction to find compatible people
- Short and sweet work time, easy to focus
- Encourages people to meet others in similar courses/academic interests

## Cons

- People spend time chatting and not studying
- Not as novel or new
- Limited number of people, so may have bad matches early on
- If people reschedule or don't show then one person is left on the hook with no partner



# Design #2: Recorded Lecture Party

## Pros

- universal pause
- accountability of watching with friends, may be more comfortable to ask questions
- Room for a teacher/TA use case + analytics
- MOOCs or flipped classrooms

## Cons

- students pause for different reasons (i.e taking notes, getting food, bathroom) so it might be difficult to know when a “suggested” pause is valid/valuable
- Getting enough people interested to do use this consistently



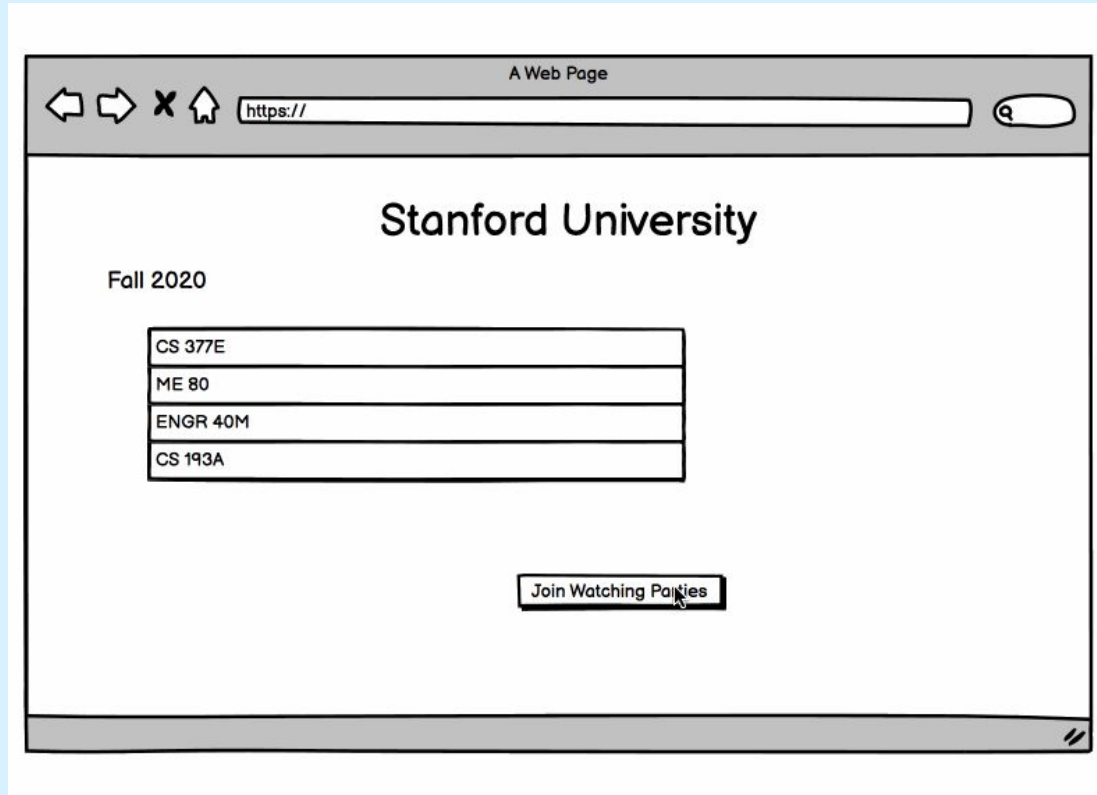
# Recorded Lecture Party!

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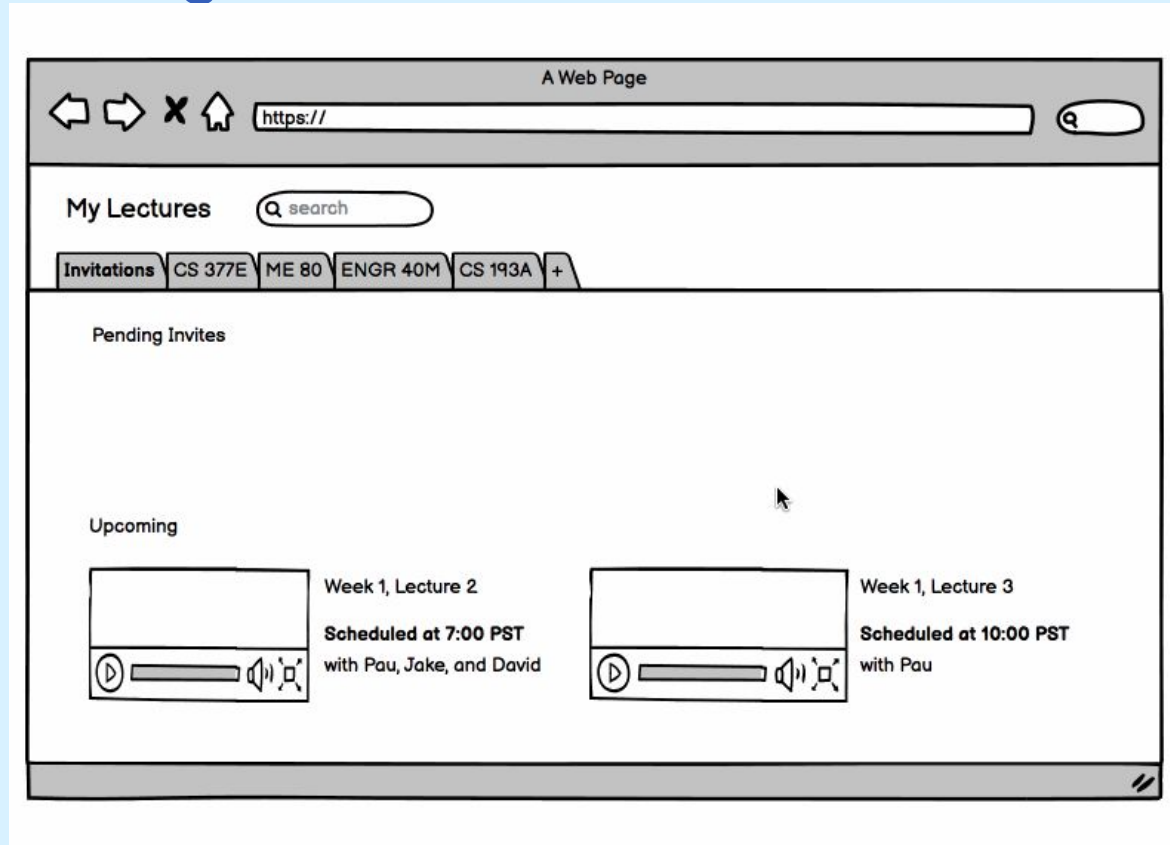
- Study Buddy isn't very novel
- Could hinder studying instead of focus
- RLP has larger implications for online classes
- Stanford research suggests that students retain more information when they learn this way
- Accountability is still there



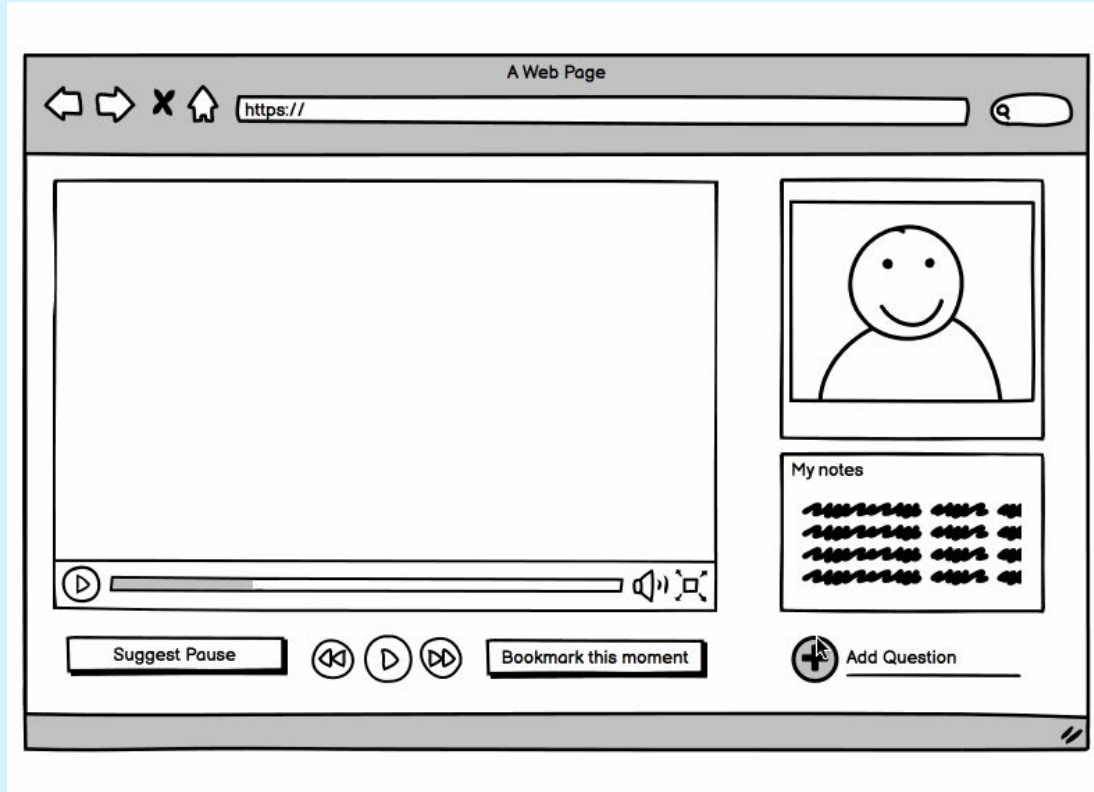
# Simple Task: sign up for classes and accept a watch party invitation



# Moderate Task: invite a friend to watch a lecture and start watching



# Complex Task: ask question and pause the video to answer questions



# Lo-fi Testing Procedure:

## Recruits:

- 5 college students across the country
- Experience with in-person and virtual classes
- Ages 20-22
  
- Consent Form
- Script
- Observer, Facilitator

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Witness name \_\_\_\_\_

Witness signature \_\_\_\_\_

**INTRO**

Hi, I'm \_\_\_\_, I'll be conducting the usability test today. We'll be asking you to complete three tasks using this paper prototype. Please let us know what you think out loud.

We'd like to record footage of this test for quality assurance purposes.

**Task 1:**  
Your first task is to sign in and accept a watch party invite

**Your first task is to register your classes and join a watching party**  
**Expected flow:**  
**Sign Up page → Home**

**Task 2:**  
Your second task is to invite a friend to join you in watching lecture

**Expected flow:**  
**X → Y → Z →**

**Task 3:**  
Your third and final task is to ask a question, pause the video, and finally answer the question

**Expected flow:**  
**X → Y → Z →**  
Asks a question by clicking the plus button -> sent to Added a question frame -> Suggests a pause by clicking Suggest Pause button -> sent to Question Answering frame -> Answers questions -> Clicks submit and brought back to Main Video frame

# Results Overview

“A better way to consume recorded lectures”

Confusing how watch groups are made (friends vs. classmates)

Buttons didn't always match the function



# Key Insights

## Medium Task

- Home page should have easy access to upcoming lectures
- Invitations tab should allow people to invite others
- Make it clear whether to invite friends or classmates with easy access to a calendar

## Complex Task

- Suggest pause button is very confusing
- Universal play/pause button is not intuitive
- Questions are meant to be discussed in a back and forth conversation

**Thanks!**

# Appendix

Sketches

Consent Forms

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