

Term Project

COP 4710, Spring 2021

Application: College Event Website

Problem:

Most universities in the country hosts events around campus and off campus. These events are organized by college students in most of the cases. Students are clustered (RSO's or Registered Student Organizations) by different organizations, clubs, fraternities around campus. These events are of different types: social, fundraising, tech talks, etc. Now, each university has a website where they post their events for the upcoming weeks. One needs to check the website to add each event to his/her calendar. These events are just official events and not all events around the university are included. Another limitation is that one has no way to track weekly events.

Project Description

You are asked to implement a web application that solves the problems. Any student may register with this application to obtain a user ID and a password. There are three user levels: *super admin* who creates a profile for a university (name, location, description, number of students, pictures, etc.), *admin* who owns an RSO and may host events, and *student* who uses the application to look up information about the various events.

Admin can create events with name, event category, description, time, date, location, contact phone, and contact email address. A location should be set from a map (Bing, Google, open street map) with name, latitude, longitude, etc. To populate the database, one can use feeds (e.g., RSS, XML) from events.ucf.edu. Each admin is affiliated with one university, and one or more RSOs. A student user can request to create a new RSO or to join an existent one. A new RSO can be created with at least 5 other students with the same email domain, e.g., @knights.ucf.edu; and one of them should be assigned as an administrator.

Student can view events in their university by location, or by selecting the University they want to see the events from. They can retrieve events according to their level of access or scope. A student should be able to see all the events around its location or from RSOs they are following.

There are different types of events (social, fundraising, tech talks, etc.). Each event can be public, private, or an RSO event. *Public events* can be seen by everyone; *private events* can be seen by the students at the host university; and an *RSO events* can only be seen by members of the RSO. In addition, events can be created without an RSO. Such events must be approved by the super admin. After an event has been published, users can add, remove, and edit comments on the event, as well as rating the event with up to 5 stars. The application should offer some social network integration, e.g., posting from the application to Facebook or Google.

Technical Requirements:

1. The design of the database must follow the design process: business operations/constraints, ER-model, the relational model, normalization, implementation, indexing, enforcing general constraints (e.g., triggers), etc.
2. The database must include at least 5 relational tables.
3. The application must have a browser-based interface and can be deployed on Internet. Moreover, the application should have a professional-looking interface that is user-friendly.
4. The website and database must be able to support multiple concurrent users.
5. Sample data should be included, e.g., 10 uses, 5 RSOs, 20 events, 10 comments, 10 SQL queries...
6. Programming languages that can be used for the project: HTML, Javascript, PHP, Java, CSS, c#, and stored procedures. DBMS's: Oracle, SQL Server, and MySQL. Other languages and DBMSs: check with the instructor.
7. Advanced features include, but not limited to, event feeds from the university's events system (e.g., from <https://events.ucf.edu>), social network integration, crash recovery policy/procedures, security, index-only/composite search-key indices, etc.

Grading:

• Assignment	20%
• Demo	50%
• Project Report	30%

Deliverables:

- Time: TBA
- Draft Design: ER diagram, relational schemas, constraints enforcement
- Report: The design (ER diagram, relational schemas, ...), database creation code (CREATE TABLE ..., INSERT..., SELECT ..., etc.), the software code (GUI, embedded SQL statements, etc.), screenshots of interface, output...
- You are to submit a project report, describing the development of the project including the design, data, queries and results, implementation, and comments/observations, etc. by the due date.
- Submission: one compressed file *.zip via Webcourses containing all the files--the slides and codes and the report.

Important Instruction:

The instructor reserves the right to modify the technical requirements, due dates, grading weights, and to provide relevant information such as general constraint enforcement codes should it deems appropriate.