

# Discussion: Course Project

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# Course Project – Assembling of Prog. Assignments

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- **Project:** Develop collaborative assistants (chatbots) that offer innovative and ethical solutions to real-world problems ! *(Based on competition - <https://sites.google.com/view/casy-2-0-track1/contest> )*
- Specifically, **the project will be building a chatbot that can answer questions about a South Carolina member of state legislature from:**  
<https://www.scstatehouse.gov/member.php?chamber=H>
  - Each student will choose a district (from 122 available).
  - Programming assignment programs will: (1) extract data from the district, (2) process it, (3) make content available in a command-line interface, (4) handle any user query and (5) report on interaction statistics.

# Core Programs Needed for Project

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- Prog 1: extract data from the district [\[prog1-extractor\]](#)
- Prog 2: process it (extracted data) based on questions [\[prog2processor\]](#)
- Prog 3: make content available in a command-line interface [\[prog3-ui\]](#)
- Prog 4: handle any user query [\[prog4-userintent2querymapper\]](#)
- Prog 5: report statistics on interaction of a session, across sessions [\[prog5-sessionlogger\]](#)
  
- Full Chatbot - Prog 6: [\[myrep-chatbot\]](#)

# Prog 6: Assembling the Chatbot

- Have a program - [\[myrep-chatbot\]](#)
- User interacts with the chatbot with any utterance and the system has to answer – see right
- User can ask about statistics and query log
  - Same as PA5
  - See next slide

[#1] “Quit” or “quit” or just “q” => Program exits  
[#2] “Tell me about the representative”, “Tell me about the rep” => Personal Information (Type-I2)  
[#3] “Where does the rep live” => Contact Information (Type-I1): Home Address  
[#4] “How do I contact my rep ” => Contact Information (Type-I1)  
[#5] “What committees is my repo on” => Committee Assignments (Type-I3)  
[#6] “Tell me everything” => Give all information  
Extracted  
[#7] “What district do you support for Q/A” => Give district number and name  
[#8] <User can enter any other text and the program has to handle it> => “I do not know this information” or  
“Here is my guess - ” + <query> + <answer>. “Did I answer correctly ? “

# All Queries to be Supported

[#1] "Quit" or "quit" or just "q" => Program exits  
[#2] "Tell me about the representative", "Tell me about the rep" => Personal Information (Type-I2)  
[#3] "Where does the rep live" => Contact Information (Type-I1): Home Address  
[#4] "How do I contact my rep" => Contact Information (Type-I1)  
[#5] "What committees is my rep on" => Committee Assignments (Type-I3)  
[#6] "Tell me everything" => Give all information  
Extracted  
[#7] "What district do you support for Q/A" => Give district number and name  
[#8] <User can enter any other text and the program has to handle it> => "I do not know this information" or "Here is my guess - " + <query> + <answer>. "Did I answer correctly ? "

**myrep-chatbot** -summary  
=> There are 12 chats to date with user asking 23 times and system respond 24 times. Total duration is 456 seconds.  
• **myrep-chatbot** -showchat-summary 2  
=> Chat 2 has user asking 2 times and system respond 2 times. Total duration is 4 seconds.  
• **myrep-chatbot** -showchat 2  
=> Chat 2 chat is:  
...  
• **myrep-chatbot** -showchat 200  
=> ERROR: there are only 12 chat sessions. Please choose a valid number.

# Project – PA#6

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- Code organization
  - Create a folder in your GitHub called “**myrep-chatbot**”
  - Have sub-folders: src (or code), data, doc, test
  - Have data directory as shown in previous slide
    - ./data/chat\_sessions/
    - ./data/chat\_statistics.csv
  - Create/ write a
    - Video in ./doc sub-folder demonstrating the working of chatbot
    - Report in ./doc sub-folder. Credit reuse
    - Create a presentation in ./doc sub-folder
  - Put a log of system interacting in ./test
  - Send a confirmation that code is done by updating Google sheet; optionally, send email to instructor and TA
- Use concepts learned in class
  - Exceptions
  - File operations
  - PA1 to PA5 from yourself or others; credit reuse in Readme, report and presentation

# Submission Guidelines and Deadlines

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- The breakup of marks (100) will be as follows –
  - 20 points for the fully working demo, due by Tuesday, April 12, 2022. Submit code and video.
  - 40 points for report, due by Friday, April 15. Submit report in format.
  - 40 points for the presentation, due by Tuesday, April 19.
  - There will be no further submissions.
- To show working demo - due by Tuesday, April 12, 2022
  - Submit code to your github and update PA spreadsheet
  - Submit a video of the chatbot running and answering all 12 questions

# Format for Project Report –

## Due by Friday, April 15, 2022

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- Requirement – What did the instructor ask you to do?
- Specification – What did you do, what scope you selected and what decisions you made?
- Development highlights – How was your code implemented, e.g., module design, classes ? How did you test ? What problems did you face and how did you solve them?
- Reuse – What did you do to make your code reusable? Whose code did you use and why? Who is using your code and why ? What challenges did you face?
- Future work - What more can be done to make your chatbot useful? How will the code need to be changed over time?



Project Presenter Name:  
Student Name:

Scope: District, Prog. Language

Data: What data is available and what  
is retrieved from program ?

Code Organization: Anything significant  
to highlight ?

PA1:

PA2:

...

PA6: code reuse by someone, and of  
someone

Queries Snapshot

Video link:

Experience implementing the chatbot,  
Testing