# CS355: Web Technologies Lab Lab 6: PHP Date and Files

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# 1. PHP Date and Time

date(format) is a function that get the system date.

- d Represents the day of the month (01 to 31)
- m Represents a month (01 to 12)
- Y Represents a year (in four digits)
- I (lowercase 'L') Represents the day of the week
- H 24-hour format of an hour (00 to 23)
- h 12-hour format of an hour with leading zeros (01 to 12)
- i Minutes with leading zeros (00 to 59)
- s Seconds with leading zeros (00 to 59)
- a Lowercase Ante meridiem and Post meridiem (am or pm)

```
<?php
     echo "The Date is ". date('Y-m-d'). "<br>";
     $Hours = date('H');
     $ti = 24-$Hours;
     echo "There is " .$ti. " to midnight";
?>
```

## 2. include and required

The include (or require) statement takes all the text/code/markup that exists in the specified file and copies it into the file that uses the include statement.

**Example**: Given that file linktext.php, and it contains the following code

```
<?php
echo '<a href= "https://www.google.com" >Home</a>';
?>
```

And that is the html file

```
<body>
    <?php
    include 'linktext.php';
    echo '<br>';
    require 'test.php';
?> </body>
```

#### 3. PHP File Open/Read/Close

#### Open File - fopen():

The first parameter of fopen() contains the name of the file to be opened. The second parameter specifies in which mode the file should be opened.

## 2. Read File - fread():

The first parameter of fread() contains the name of the file to read from and the second parameter specifies the maximum number of bytes to read.

# 3. Close File - fclose():

The fclose() function is used to close an open file.

## 4. Read Single Line - fgets()

Used to read a single line from a file.

## 5. Check End-Of-File - feof()

Checks if the "end-of-file" (EOF) has been reached. It is useful for looping through data of unknown length.

## 6. Read Single Character-fgetc ()

The fgetc() function is used to read a single character from a file.

## Example:

```
<?php

$myfile = fopen("webdictionary.txt", "r") or die("Unable to open file!");
echo fread($myfile,filesize( "webdictionary.txt" ));

// Output one line until end-of-file
while(!feof($myfile)) {
    echo fgets($myfile) . "<br>" ;
    echo fgetc($myfile) . "<br>" ;
}

fclose($myfile);
?>
```

# 4.Task

Create a web page that contains:

- a. A text file "of type txt" and the data is organized as: name, number
- b. HTML file that has 2 forms; one for searching for students by name, and the other one for adding students to the file
- c. 2 PHP files, to search and write to the text file.

As you see in the below screenshot:

<b>Search for Student</b>
Enter Student Name:
Search
Add New Student
Student Name:
Student Number:
Add Student

Figure 1: Page 1

Student Name: dima, Student Number: 50 Student Name: dima, Student Number: 5646

Total students found: 2

Figure 2: Page 2