

Pokhara University Faculty of Science and Technology	
Course Code.: CMP 485 (3 Credits)	Full Marks: 100
Course Title: Web Services and Applications (3-0-3)	Pass Marks: 45
Nature of the Course: Theory/Practical	Total Lectures: 48 hours
Level: Bachelor Year: IV / Semester: VII/VIII	Program: Bachelor of Computer Engineering

1. Course Description:

This course introduces the fundamental principles, standards, and technologies behind Web Services and distributed applications. Students will learn how to design, develop, and deploy interoperable web-based services using protocols such as SOAP, REST, and JSON-based APIs. The course combines theoretical concepts with practical implementation using modern frameworks.

2. General Objectives:

The general objectives of this course are as follows:

- Understand the architecture and principles of web services.
- Explain and implement SOAP-based and RESTful web services.
- Apply XML, JSON, and WSDL in service design.
- Integrate web services with client applications.
- Use security and authentication mechanisms for web services.
- Develop and deploy interoperable web applications.

3. Methods of Instruction:

- Lecture and discussion
- Practical
- Demonstration
- Presentation
- Project

4. Course Contents:

Specific Objectives	Contents
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Unit 1: Introduction to Web Technologies	4 hours
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Describe the client-server architecture and the roles of web browsers and servers. ● Explain basic web protocols, DNS, and the differences between client-side and server-side scripting languages | 1.1 Evolution of the Web
1.1.1 History of web
1.1.2 WWW
1.1.3 URL
1.1.4 Version of web
1.1.5 Search engine
1.1.6 Website and Web application
1.2 Client-Server Architecture |
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	1.3 Overview of Web Browsers and Web Servers 1.3.1 Web browser, cross browser compatibilities 1.3.2 Web server 1.4 Basic Protocols 1.4.1 Short overview of basic protocols 1.4.2 HTTP/HTTPS 1.4.3 HTTP request and response 1.5 DNS and its hierarchy 1.6 Client side and server side scripting language
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Unit 2: Introduction to Web Services and security		6 hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting up a web server and basic service demonstration 	2.1 Evolution from distributed systems to web services 2.2 Concepts: Service, Client, Message exchange patterns 2.3 Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) 2.4 Web service standards stack (XML, SOAP, WSDL, UDDI) 2.5 Advantages and applications of web services 2.6 Web service security and countermeasures	
Unit 3: XML and Data representation		4 hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating XML and JSON schemas for a sample data model 	3.1 XML syntax, structure, and namespaces 3.2 XML Schema (XSD) 3.3 JSON structure and schema 3.4 Data interchange using XML and JSON	
Unit 4: SOAP-based Web Services		8 hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a simple SOAP service using Java or PHP Consume SOAP service from a client application 	4.1 Architecture and components of SOAP 4.2 WSDL (Web Services Description Language) 4.3 Building and consuming SOAP web services 4.4 SOAP message format and processing 4.5 Tools: Apache Axis2 / JAX-WS / PHP SoapClient and SoapServer	
Unit 5: RESTful Web Services		10 hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build REST APIs using Node.js / Python Flask / PHP / PHP Laravel Consume REST APIs using JavaScript or Postman 	5.1 REST architecture principles 5.2 HTTP methods (GET, POST, PUT, DELETE, PATCH) 5.3 URI design and resource modeling 5.4 Statelessness and caching 5.5 JSON-based REST APIs 5.6 Comparison: SOAP vs. REST	
Unit 6: Web Service Development Frameworks		6 hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create and document an API with Swagger Deploy a service using Docker 	6.1 Overview of frameworks: Spring Boot, Flask, Laravel 6.2 API versioning and documentation (Swagger / OpenAPI) 6.3 Microservices overview	

	6.4 Integration and deployment using Docker																																											
Unit 7: Security and testing integration in Web Services																																												
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Implement JWT-based authentication for a REST APITest SOAP and REST APIs using Postman and SoapUI	7.1 Security challenges in web services 7.2 Authentication and Authorization (Basic Auth, OAuth 2.0, JWT) 7.3 HTTPS, SSL/TLS 7.4 API rate limiting and key management 7.5 Service testing tools: Postman, SoapUI 7.6 Continuous Integration/Delivery for APIs 7.7 Performance and load testing basics																																											
5. Practical Works:																																												
12–15 hours of hands-on lab exercises																																												
Group project: Design and implement a mini application integrating REST/SOAP web services																																												
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7. Prescribed Books and References:

1. Erl, Thomas. Service-Oriented Architecture: Concepts, Technology, and Design. Prentice Hall.
2. Alonso, Gustavo et al. Web Services: Concepts, Architectures and Applications. Springer.