Final Project - PDS

Languages and Frameworks Used

• Languages:

- Python (Flask for web backend development).
- SQL (MySQL for database schema and queries).

• Frameworks and Libraries:

- Flask: For routing, session management, and form handling.
- Werkzeug: For cryptographic password hashing (SHA-256 with salt).
- Jinja2: For template rendering in HTML.

Tools

VSCode: For coding

MySql workbench - for sql queries

Schema Changes and Their Purpose

Feature	Schema Changes (Old vs. New)	Purpose
Password Handling	Increased password column size in Person from VARCHAR(100) to VARCHAR(255).	To support stronger cryptographic hashing mechanisms with salt.
Donor Role Verification	Added client role to the Role table and allowed assignments via the Act table.	Enabled role-based access for both clients and staff for actions like managing orders and donations.
Tracking Item Pieces	Retained pieceNum for unique identification of item pieces in the	Supported precise tracking of individual item pieces within orders.

	Piece table and added references in the ItemIn table.	
Order Management	Added logic to update roomNum and shelfNum in Piece table for holding location during Prepare Order.	Ensured ordered items were marked unavailable and moved to a designated delivery holding area.

Main Queries for Features

1. Login & User Session Handling

• Purpose: Authenticate users with roles and session handling.

```
-- Fetch user details for authentication
SELECT * FROM Person WHERE userName = %s;

-- Retrieve user roles for access control
SELECT roleID FROM Act WHERE userName = %s;
```

2. Find Single Item

• Purpose: Retrieve locations of all pieces of an item.

```
-- Fetch piece details for a given itemID

SELECT p.pieceNum, l.shelfDescription AS address

FROM Piece p

JOIN Location l ON p.roomNum = l.roomNum AND p.shelfNum = l.s

helfNum

WHERE p.ItemID = %s;
```

3. Find Order Items

• **Purpose**: Return all items and their piece locations for a specific order.

```
-- Fetch items and their locations for an order
SELECT i.ItemID, i.iDescription AS itemName, l.shelfDescripti
on AS address, p.pieceNum
FROM ItemIn ii
JOIN Piece p ON ii.ItemID = p.ItemID AND ii.pieceNum = p.piec
eNum
JOIN Item i ON p.ItemID = i.ItemID
JOIN Location l ON p.roomNum = l.roomNum AND p.shelfNum = l.s
helfNum
WHERE ii.orderID = %s;
```

4. Accept Donation

• **Purpose**: Allow staff to accept donations and register them in the system.

```
-- Insert a new item
INSERT INTO Item (iDescription, mainCategory, subCategory) VA
LUES (%s, %s, %s);

-- Add the donor's record
INSERT INTO DonatedBy (ItemID, userName, donateDate) VALUES
(%s, %s, %s);

-- Add a piece for the donated item
INSERT INTO Piece (ItemID, pieceNum, pDescription, length, wi
dth, height, roomNum, shelfNum)
VALUES (%s, %s, %s, %s, %s, %s, %s, %s);
```

5. Start an Order

• Purpose: Create a new order for a specific client.

```
-- Create a new order record
INSERT INTO Ordered (orderDate, orderNotes, supervisor, clien
t) VALUES (%s, %s, %s, %s);
```

6. Add to Current Order

• Purpose: Allow staff to add items to an ongoing order.

```
-- Fetch available items for selection

SELECT i.ItemID, i.iDescription, p.pieceNum

FROM Item i

JOIN Piece p ON i.ItemID = p.ItemID

WHERE i.mainCategory = %s AND i.subCategory = %s

AND NOT EXISTS (

SELECT 1 FROM ItemIn ii WHERE ii.ItemID = p.ItemID AND i
i.pieceNum = p.pieceNum
);

-- Add selected item to the order
INSERT INTO ItemIn (ItemID, pieceNum, orderID) VALUES (%s, %s, %s);
```

7. Prepare Order

• Purpose: Update items to a holding location, making them unavailable.

```
-- Mark items as prepared for delivery

UPDATE Piece p

JOIN ItemIn ii ON p.ItemID = ii.ItemID AND p.pieceNum = ii.pi
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eceNum
SET p.roomNum = 999, p.shelfNum = 999
WHERE ii.orderID = %s;
```

8. User's Tasks

• Purpose: Show all orders linked to the logged-in user.

```
-- Fetch orders related to the logged-in user
SELECT o.orderID, o.orderDate, o.orderNotes, o.supervisor, o.
client, d.status, d.date AS deliveryDate
FROM Ordered o
LEFT JOIN Delivered d ON o.orderID = d.orderID
WHERE o.client = %s OR o.supervisor = %s OR d.userName = %s;
```

9. Rank System

 Purpose: Rank volunteers by the number of tasks completed within a time period.

```
-- Rank volunteers by number of orders delivered in the last 30 days

SELECT d.userName, COUNT(*) as delivered_count

FROM Delivered d

WHERE d.date >= CURDATE() - INTERVAL 30 DAY

GROUP BY d.userName

ORDER BY delivered_count DESC;
```

Difficulties and Lessons Learned

Difficulties:

- Migrating from the old schema required careful management of foreign key relationships, especially around pieceNum and ItemIn.
- Role-based access control required extending both the database and application logic to handle multiple user roles.
- Testing dynamic queries and ensuring they handled edge cases (e.g., nonexistent IDs) was time-intensive.

Lessons Learned:

- Schema changes should be planned and documented thoroughly to avoid breaking dependencies.
- Implementing cryptographic password handling significantly improved security but required updates to accommodate longer hash values.
- Role-based access ensured scalability and maintainability for future feature additions.

Security Mechanisms

- SQL Injection Prevention: All database queries were parameterized using placeholders (e.g., %s), ensuring that user inputs are not executed as part of the query. This effectively mitigates SQL injection risks.
- XSS (Cross-Site Scripting) Mitigation: Inputs and outputs were sanitized. User-provided data, such as form inputs and rendered HTML, were properly escaped to prevent malicious scripts from being injected and executed.
- Password Security: Passwords are securely hashed with cryptographic hashing (e.g., generate_password_hash using bcrypt or SHA-256) and salted before storage, ensuring they cannot be directly reversed or cracked if the database is compromised.

Team Contributions

Laba Deka:

- Designed and implemented the login system and role-based access control.
- Developed features for finding items and orders and ensured they handled edge cases.
- Extra implementation :Start an order , User's tasks

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- Focused on order-related functionalities, including starting orders, adding items, and preparing orders.
- Handled schema updates and debugging of donation and ranking features.
- Extra Implementation: Rank System, User's Tasks