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AUTOMATING DATA POPULATION IN SERVICENOW: STREAMLINING PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

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ABSTRACT:

USER STORY:

As an IT administrator at a company using ServiceNow, you have been tasked with setting up a data lookup mechanism. This mechanism will help automatically populate certain fields in a custom table called "Program" based on predefined values in another table called "testing lookups". The "Program" table includes fields for technology, tracker, and trainer. The "testing lookups" table contains the same fields and will provide the values used for the lookup.

PRE-REQUISITES:

- 1. Knowledge on: Applications, Tables, Fields.
- 2. Knowledge on: Data lookup Definitions.

SKILLS USED TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM STATEMENT:

1. Service Now Administration.

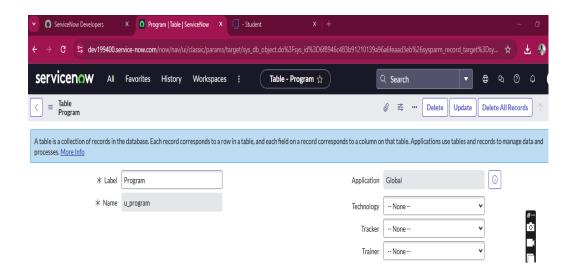
TWO MAJOR METHOD:

- Implementation
- Result

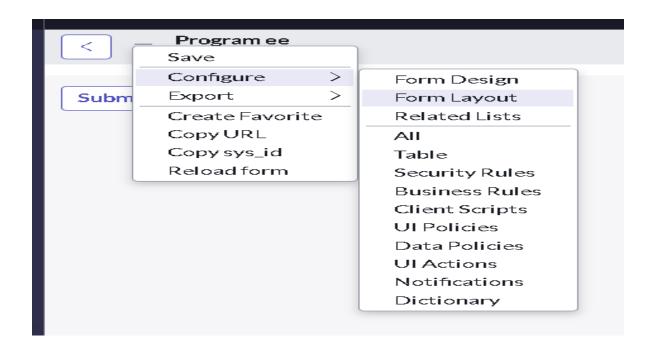
IMPLEMENTATION:

Step 1: Creating Custom Table

- 1. Open "Tables" >> New.
- 2. Give the label name as "program".
- 3. Click on Submit



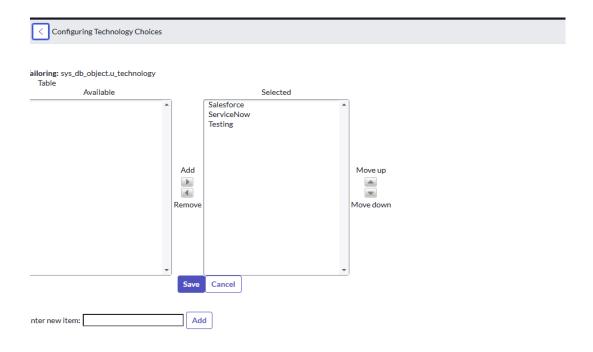
4. Click on new to open record, click on the Additional Actions and go to configure >> select Form Layout



- 5. Create fields as
 - a. Name: Technology
 - b. Type: choice
- 6. Click on Add
- 7. And follow the same instructions
- 8. For two more fields are
 - a. Tracker
 - b. Trainer
- 9. Add them and click on save



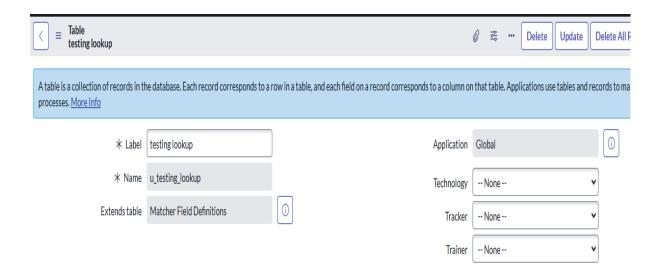
- 10. Now right click on "technology" field click on Configure Choices.
- 11. Enter the item as "Salesforce" and click on Add.
- 12. Add two more items
 - a. ServiceNow
 - b. Testing
- 13. Click on save.



- 14. Follow the same steps from 9 to 13 for remaining two fields.
- 15. Tracker values are:
 - a. Admin
 - b. Developer
- 16. Trainer values are:
 - a. Rakesh
 - b. Tarakesh
 - c. Ajay
 - d. Phani
 - e. Shivam
- 17. Click on save.

Step 2: Creating a custom matcher table.

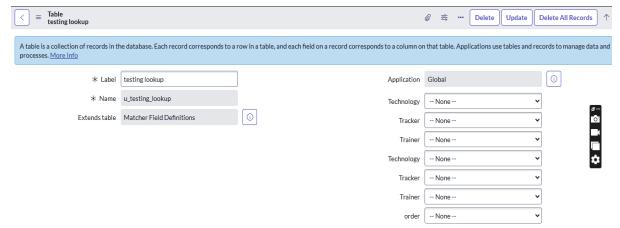
- 1. Open "Tables" >> New.
- 2. Give the label name as "testing lookup".
- 3. Add "Matcher Field Definition" in the Extends table field.
- 4. Click on Submit.



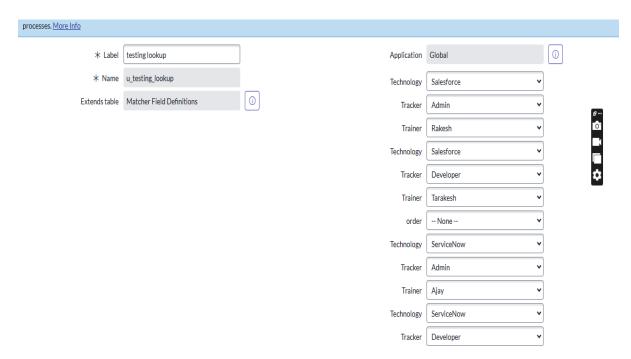
- 5. Follow the same steps from 4 to 17 from "step 1".
- 6. And add another field from the Form Layout that is "order".
- 7. Click on save.

Step 3: Create records in matcher table

1. Follow the below figure to create a record.

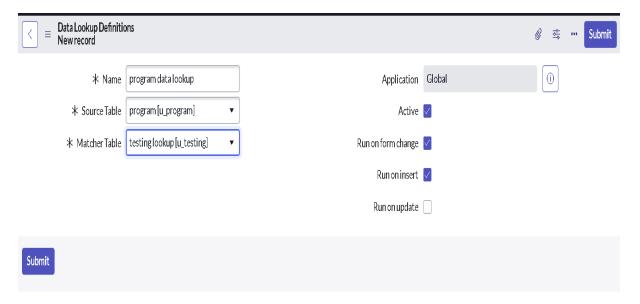


2. Follow the figure to create more records as shown in below figure.

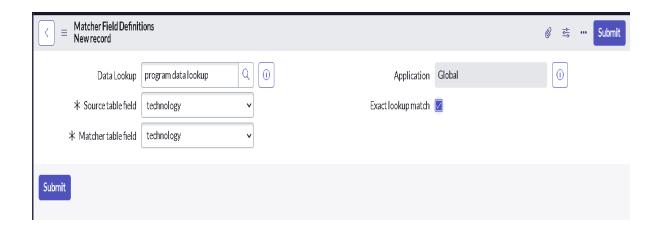


Step 4: Create Data Lookup Definition to automate the trainer

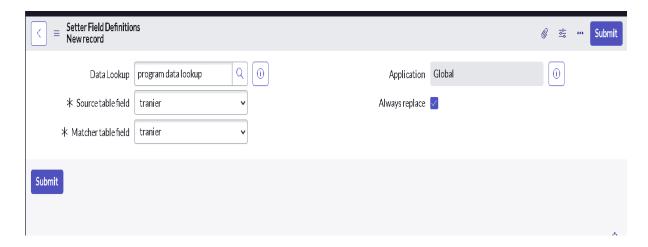
- 1. Search for Data Lookup Definition in All navigation.
- 2. Click on new.
- 3. Give name as "program data lookup"
- 4. Select the source table as "program".
- 5. Select the matcher table as "testing lookup".
- 6. Click on submit.



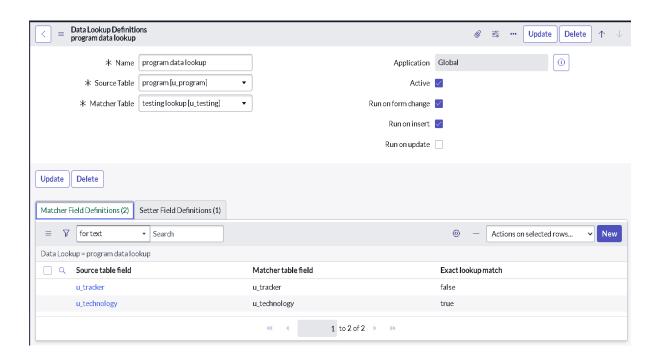
- 7. Again open the "program data lookup" record.
- 8. Scroll down under matcher field definitions and click on new.
- 9. Select the source table field: technology
- 10. And select the matcher table field: technology
- 11. Exact lookup match: checked.
- 12. Click on Submit.



- 13. And create another Matcher field definitions for another field: tracker
- 14. Click on Setter field definition and click on new
- 15. Select the source table field: trainer
- 16. And select the matcher table field: trainer
- 17. Always replace the field: checked.
- 18. Click on Submit.

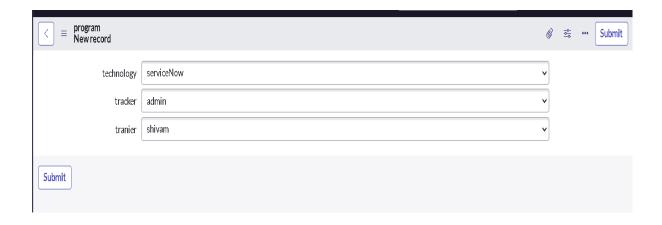


19. Click on update.



RESULT:

- 1. Go to the source table "program".
- 2. Click on new.
- 3. Select any technology and tracker.
- 4. To check the trainer is automatically assigned to it.



CONCLUSION:

The automation of data population in ServiceNow significantly enhances the efficiency and effectiveness of program management. By eliminating manual data entry, organizations can reduce human error, save time, and improve the accuracy of critical information. Automation also fosters real-time data integration, allowing program managers to make more informed decisions based on up-to-date insights.

Moreover, streamlining the process through automated data population empowers teams to focus on higher-value activities, such as strategic planning and proactive issue resolution, rather than time-consuming administrative tasks. This leads to improved collaboration, faster response times, and a more agile program management environment.

Ultimately, automating data population in ServiceNow not only boosts operational productivity but also contributes to overall program success, enabling organizations to deliver projects on time, within scope, and with greater alignment to business goals. As companies continue to embrace digital transformation, such automation will remain a critical enabler of seamless program management in the future.