# WorkshopPLUS – Power Platform – Introduction to Power Apps & Power Automate for Dataverse with Lab

Lab 2 - Module 3: Model-driven App Lab

Student Lab Manual

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# Lab 2: Create a model-driven app

#### Introduction

In this lab, you will learn how to create a model-driven app. Additionally, you'll learn how to create and edit a custom view and a custom form on your Dataverse table to see how that's reflected in a model-driven app.

#### **Objectives**

After completing this lab, you will be able to:

- Create a custom form on the Office Reservation table.
- Create a custom view on the Office Reservation table.
- Create a model-driven app for the Office Reservation table.
- Include the User table in the new model-driven app as a relationship.

#### **Prerequisites**

- Basic knowledge of customizing Dataverse forms and views.
- Completion of Module 2 Lab 1.

#### Estimated time to complete this lab

30 minutes

#### **Scenario**

Contoso is asking their employees to return to the office. They are looking to build a tool for employees to report their office presence and a tool for front-desk employes at the offices to monitor the office presence.

In this exercise, you will create a model-driven app that is to be used by the front-desk operators to check on the reservations, as well as verify that reservations were approved and register employee presences.

# Exercise 1: Create and edit forms and views in a Dataverse table

#### **Objectives**

After completing this exercise, you will be able to:

• Create and edit forms and views on top of Dataverse table to be used in applications associated with that table.

#### **Prerequisites**

Completion of Module 2 Lab 1.

#### Scenario

You have been asked to edit a form and create a view to add in the model-driven app that you will develop in Exercise 2 of this lab.

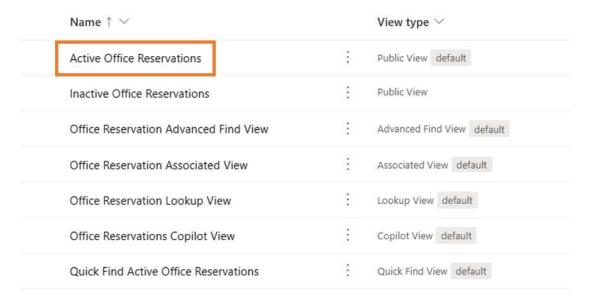
#### Task 1: Edit a form and create new views in a Dataverse table

- 1. Your new table should still be open on your screen. If it isn't:
  - a. Ensure you are logged into your trial account. If you closed the browser, you could open a new In-Private browser and go to https://make.powerapps.com. Sign in using your Office365 credentials.
  - b. Make sure you are logged into the correct environment where you just built your solution and Dataverse table.
  - c. In the left pane select **Solutions**.
  - d. From the list of solutions in the environment, select **your solution** (Office Reservation Project).
  - e. Select the "Office Reservation" table inside the solution.
- 2. Select Views under the "Data experiences" section.



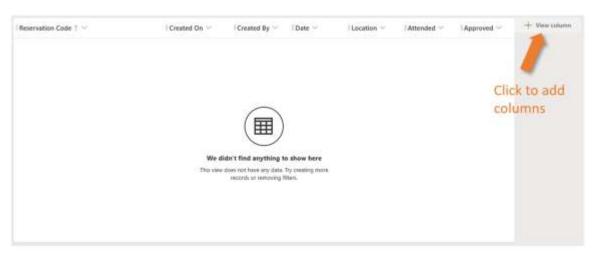
3. Select "Active Office Reservations" from the list.

Office Reservation Project > Tables > Office Reservation > Views >



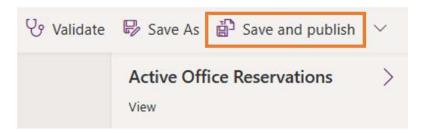
- 4. On the view designer page, click the **+ View column** button and select the following columns:
  - a. Reservation Code
  - b. Created On
  - c. Created By
  - d. Date
  - e. Location
  - f. Attended
  - g. Approved

Your view should look like this:

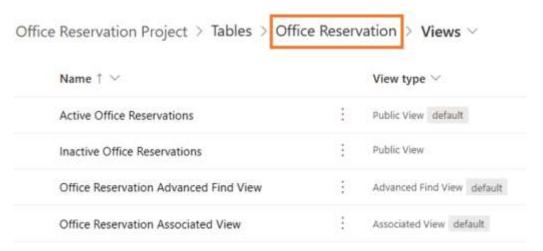


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5. In the top right corner of the screen, select **Save and publish**.



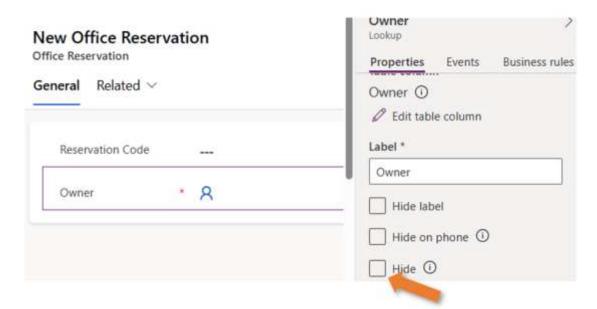
- 6. Go back to the main table screen by clicking **C** Back in the top left corner of the screen.
- 7. Select **Office Reservation** at the top of the screen to return to the main table page.



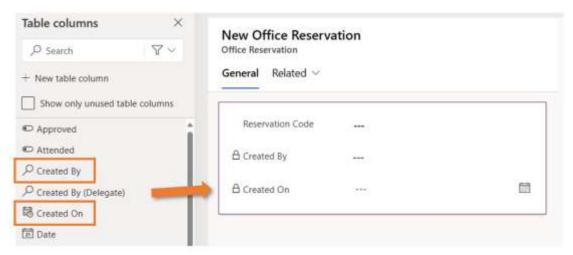
- 8. Select **Forms** under the "Data experiences" section towards the top of your screen, right above the Views you selected earlier.
- 9. Select the Main Information form from the list of forms.



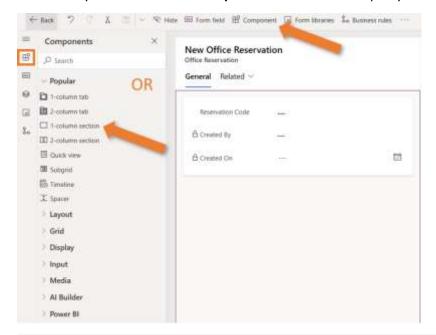
10. You should see the table columns available to you on the left pane. In the general section, click on the "Owner" column and hide it. Your column section may include the "Location" and "Date" fields since they are required. The screenshot below will not match what you see for that reason. You can leave those unhidden for now.

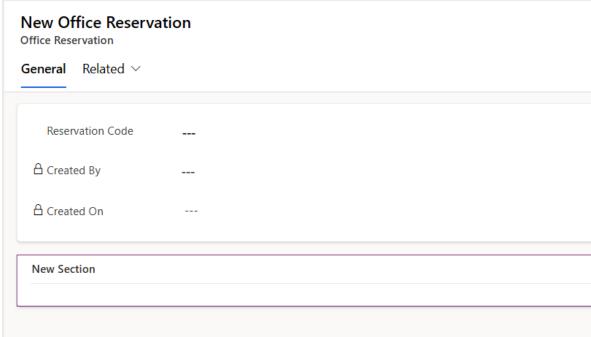


11. Add the "Created By" and "Created On" columns by dragging them from the left pane into the general section.

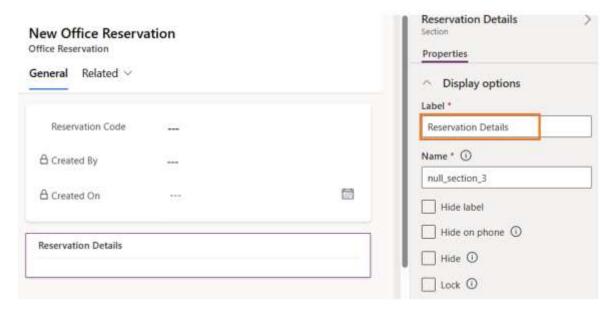


12. In the form you are editing, create a 1-column section by clicking the Component tab on the left side of your screen or the **Component** button on the top of your screen.

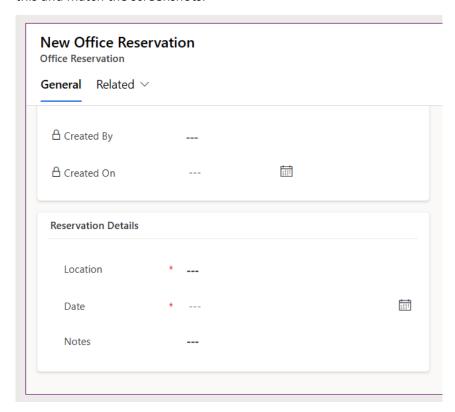




13. Change the label for this new section to "Reservation Details" by clicking the new section and changing the label in the properties pane on the right side of the screen.

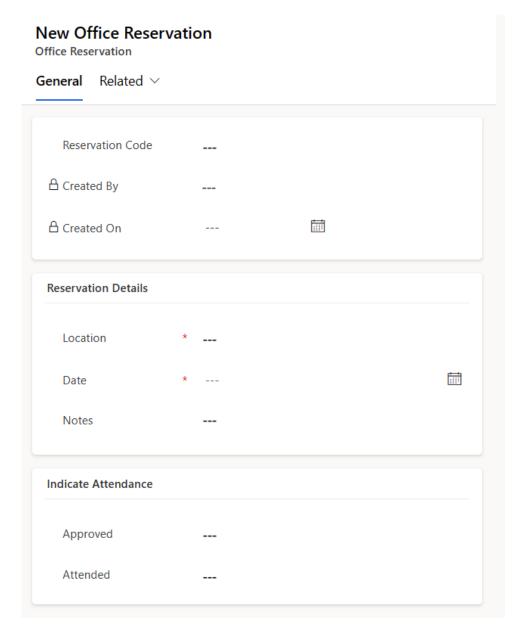


- 14. Click on the "Form field" tab on the left side of your screen or the **Form field** button at the top of the screen.
- 15. You can drag "Location" and "Date" from the first section on the page. Drag the "Notes" column to your new "Reservation Details" section on the screen as well. It should now look like this and match the screenshots.



- 16. Create a new 1-column section under the "Reservation Details" section. Change the label of that section to "Indicate attendance".
- 17. Drag the "Approved" and "Attended" columns to your new section.

Your form should look like this:



18. Click the Save and publish button in the upper right corner of the screen.



### Exercise 2: Create a model-driven app

#### **Objectives**

After completing this exercise, you will be able to:

- Create a model-driven app connected to a custom table in Dataverse.
- Customize the model-driven app by adding pages and changing the app structure.

#### **Prerequisites**

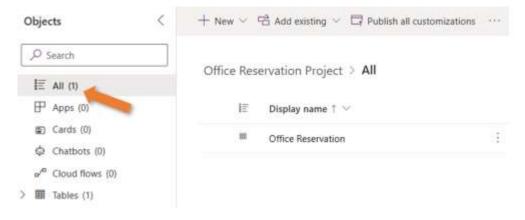
Completion of Lab 2 Exercise 1.

#### Scenario

You have been asked to create a new app that is to be used by the front-desk operators to check on reservations, verify which reservations were approved and register employee presences.

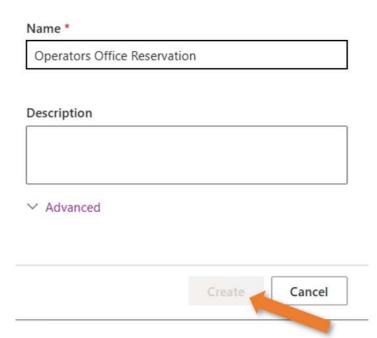
#### Task 1: Create a new model-driven app

- 1. Your new form should still be open on your screen. If it is, click the ← Back button in the top left corner of your screen. If it isn't:
  - a. Ensure you are logged into your trial account. If you closed the browser, you could open a new In-Private browser and go to https://make.powerapps.com. Sign in using your Office365 credentials.
  - b. Make sure you are logged into the correct environment where you just built your solution and Dataverse table.
  - c. In the left pane select **Solutions**.
  - d. From the list of solutions in the environment, select **your solution** (Office Reservation Project).
- 2. Under the "Objects" pane of your solution explorer, select "All (1)".

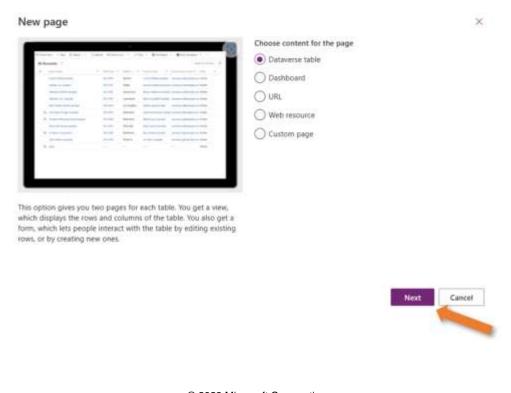


- 3. At the top of your screen, click the + New  $\rightarrow$  App  $\rightarrow$  Model-driven app button.
- 4. Name your model-driven app "Operators Office Reservation" and click on Create.

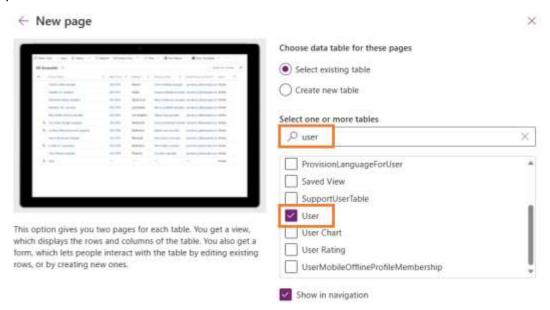
## New model-driven app



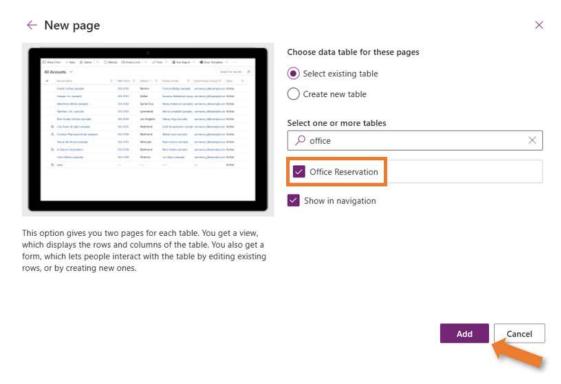
- 5. Click on the **+ Add page** button at the top of your screen to create a new page in your model-driven app.
- 6. Select "Dataverse table" for the content and click **Next**.



7. Select the "User" table by searching for user in the list of tables. Do not click the "Add" button yet.

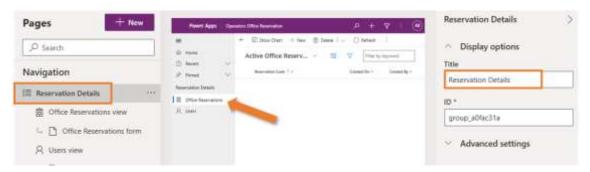


8. Select the "Office Reservation" table by searching for it in the list of tables. Click the **Add** button.

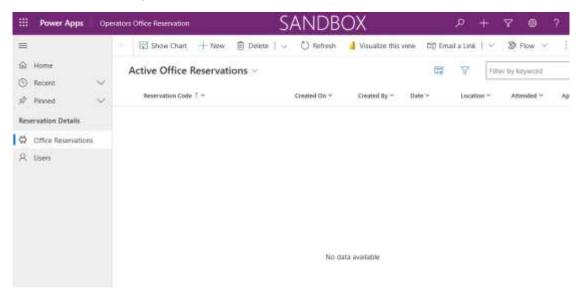


9. You should now see those tables under a navigation menu called "New Group" in your app.

10. Under the Pages tab on the left side of your screen, select "New Group". Rename it to "Reservation Details" in the pane on the right side of your screen.

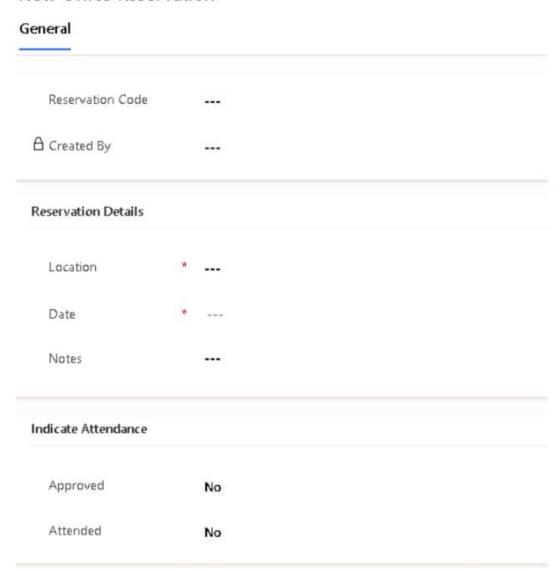


- 11. In the top right corner of your screen, select **Save** then select **Publish**.
- 12. Click the **Play** button in the upper right corner of your screen. You should see your new model-driven app with the tables you added. Note that the default view for "Office Reservations" includes all the fields you added to the view earlier.



13. If you click on + **New** at the top of the screen, the default form will have the fields you added in this lab. It should look like this:

#### New Office Reservation



#### You have successfully completed Lab 2!

In this lab, you edited the default view and form for your table to create an enhanced user experience for users of your model-driven app. Changes you made in the Dataverse table designer were reflected in the app you built automatically.

If you have additional time, you can explore the model-driven app studio to see which types of pages you can add and the settings for one of these applications. If you have any questions, reach out to your instructor.