## **Entity-Relationship Diagram: University**

#### 1. Complex, Multivalued, and Derived Attributes

#### Complex Attributes:

The entity **PERSON** includes the attributes **NAME** and **LAST NAME**, which can be considered composite attributes.

## Multivalued Attributes:

The entity **PERSON** has the attribute **PHONE**, meaning a person can have multiple contact numbers.

#### Derived Attributes:

The entity **STUDENT** has the attribute **AGE (DV)**, which can be calculated from **DATE\_OF\_BIRTH**.

#### 2. Weak Entities

 ENROLLMENT is a weak entity because it depends on both STUDENT and COURSE for its existence. Its primary key is based on these two entities.

#### 3. Cardinalities

#### One-to-One (1:1):

No explicit 1:1 relationship is specified in the diagram.

#### One-to-Many (1:N):

- A PROFESSOR manages a single DEPARTMENT, and each DEPARTMENT is managed by only one PROFESSOR.
- A PROFESSOR teaches multiple COURSES, but each COURSE is taught by only one PROFESSOR.

## Many-to-Many (M:N):

The **ENROLLMENT** relationship indicates that a **STUDENT** can enroll in multiple **COURSES**, and a **COURSE** can have multiple enrolled **STUDENTS**.

#### 4. Relationships with Attributes

• **ENROLLMENT** has attributes **ENROLLMENT\_DATE** and **FINAL\_GRADE**, which provide additional information about the student's course registration.

# 5. Roles in Recursive Relationships

 The REPORTS TO relationship among PROFESSORS establishes a hierarchy where one professor can report to another.

# 6. Generalization / Specialization

- The entity **PERSON** specializes into **PROFESSOR** and **STUDENT**.
- This specialization is disjoint, meaning a person can be either a STUDENT or a PROFESSOR, but not both at the same time.
- The specialization is **total**, meaning that every **PERSON** must be classified as either a **STUDENT** or a **PROFESSOR**.

# 7. Disjoint / Overlapping Specialization & Total / Partial Participation

- Disjoint: As mentioned, a PERSON can only be either a STUDENT or a PROFESSOR.
- Total Participation:
  - Every **STUDENT** must be enrolled in at least one **COURSE**.
  - Every **COURSE** must have enrolled students.
- Partial Participation:
  - Not all **PROFESSORS** are required to teach courses.
  - Not all **STUDENTS** must report to a **PROFESSOR**.

## Conclusion

This entity-relationship diagram clearly represents the structure of a university, with well-defined attributes, appropriate cardinalities, and entity specialization. The visual representation makes it easier to understand how data is organized and related within an academic environment.