Design Phases

•Initial phase --characterize fully the data needs of the prospective database users.

Second phase <--choosing a data model

*Applying the concepts of the chosen data model

*Translating these requirements into a conceptual schema of the database.

*A fully developed conceptual schema indicates the functional requirements of the enterprise.

*Describe the kinds of operations (or transactions) that will be performed on the data.

Final Phase <--Moving from an abstract data model to the implementation of the database

Logical Design –Deciding on the database schema.
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Computer Science decision –What relation schemas should we have and how should the attributes be distributed among the various relation schemas?
 Physical Design –Deciding on the physical layout of the database

Entity Relationship Model (ER Modeling) is a graphical approach to database design.

It is a high-level data model that defines data elements and their relationship for a specified software system.

An ER model is used to represent real-world objects



	Student
PK	<u>UniqueID</u>
	Name
	first_name second_name
	Address
	city street
	[phone number]
	Birthdate
	age()

	University
PK	Address
	Rating
	Year grant count

Β	Dormitory
PK	Address
	Number of students
	Students_ID

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