

Python-Based Library Management System

1. User Interface:

- **Command-Line Interface (CLI):**
 - Users should interact with the system through a CLI.
 - The interface should provide clear instructions and prompts to guide users through various operations.
 - Implement menus for different functionalities (e.g., Book Management, Member Management).

2. User Authentication:

- **Registration:**
 - Users should be able to register by providing a username and password.
 - Passwords should be stored securely (consider using hashing techniques).
- **Login:**
 - Users should log in using their registered credentials.
 - Implement a basic session mechanism to maintain user login status during the session.
- **Roles:**
 - Define roles such as Admin and Member.
 - Admins have full access, while members have limited access (e.g., only borrowing books).

3. Book Management:

- **Add New Books:**
 - Admins should be able to add new books to the library.
 - Required details: title, author, genre, ISBN, number of copies.
- **Update Book Details:**
 - Admins can update details of existing books (e.g., change the number of copies, update title or author).
- **Delete Books:**
 - Admins can delete a book from the library if it is no longer available.
- **Search Books:**
 - Implement search functionality where users can search for books by title, author, genre, or ISBN.
 - Display relevant book details in search results.

4. Member Management:

- **Add New Members:**
 - Admins should be able to add new members to the library system.
 - Required details: member name, contact information, membership ID.
- **Update Member Information:**
 - Admins can update member details (e.g., change contact information).
- **Delete Members:**
 - Admins can delete a member from the system (e.g., if membership is canceled).

5. Borrowing and Returning Books:

- **Borrowing Books:**

- Members can borrow books from the library.
- Track borrowed books, including member ID, book ID, borrow date, and due date.
- Limit the number of books a member can borrow at one time (e.g., 3 books).

- **Returning Books:**

- Members can return borrowed books.
- Update the system to mark the book as returned.
- Calculate and display any late fees (if applicable).

6. Data Structures and Storage:

- **Data Models:**

- Use classes to represent core entities like `Book`, `Member`, `Library`, and `Transaction`.
- Each class should include appropriate attributes and methods for the operations they need to perform.

- **Data Storage:**

- Use SQLite for persistent storage of data (books, members, transactions).
- Implement CRUD operations for all entities using SQL queries.

7. File Handling:

- **Export Data:**

- Implement functionality to export library data (books, members, transactions) to CSV files.

- **Import Data:**

- Allow admins to import data from CSV files to populate the library database.
- Validate the imported data to ensure it meets the system's requirements.

8. Error Handling:

- **Input Validation:**

- Validate user inputs to prevent errors (e.g., ensure ISBN is a valid format, no negative numbers for book copies).

- **Exception Handling:**

- Implement try-except blocks to handle unexpected errors, such as database connection issues or invalid file formats.

- **User-Friendly Messages:**

- Provide clear and helpful error messages to guide users when something goes wrong.

9. Reporting and Analytics (Optional):

- **Usage Reports:**

- Generate reports showing the most borrowed books, active members, and overdue books.

- **Statistical Analysis:**

- Provide insights like total number of books, number of books borrowed this month, etc.

10. Final Integration:

- **Modular Design:**
 - Organize the code into modules (e.g., authentication module, book management module) for better maintainability.
- **Deployment:**
 - Provide instructions for deploying the system on a local machine.
- **User Documentation:**
 - Write a user manual explaining how to use the system, including screenshots or examples.

Deliverables:

- **Source Code:**
 - Complete and well-documented Python scripts.
- **Database Schema:**
 - SQL scripts for setting up the necessary tables in the SQLite database.
- **Documentation:**
 - A comprehensive README file with setup instructions, usage guidelines, and system architecture.
- **Demonstration:**
 - A video or presentation showcasing the main features and workflow of the Library Management System.