How to use the

Library Management System

1. **Import Database**

This system is built using Java using JDBC with MySQL. Thus, you need a local MySQL server running on the system. The system assumes the database server to be running on localhost port 3306 with the default username of root without any password.

Use the included library\_db.sql file, located inside the project folder along with this document, to create a database named “LIBRARY”. The database has to be first created, and using the contents of the file it has to be populated with content.

Once you have successfully set up the database server and database, you should be able to log in using the default login credentials:

Username: admin

Password: admin

Username: user

Password: user

Graphical user interface, application

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Once logged in, you will be presented with the administrator dashboard if you used the admin account.

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1. Issue Book

Graphical user interface, application

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You have to write down the barcode for a membership card and a copy of a book to issue a book. Here is some sample data that would work if you imported the content from my database dump.

Membership Card: 7501488386714

Book Barcode : 2824961200136

You will be able to issue a book if the member has a active account, with a unexpired membership card and has not borrowed up to 4 books.

In case the copy you want to issue is not available, you have to first Return the book or issue another copy of the same book. Another copy can be found using the Find Book screen.

1. Return Book

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You can return a book by entering the borrowed book item’s barcode.

As user’s can only keep borrowed books for up to 20 days, any returns after 20 days will result in a MVR 2.50 fine per day exceeding 20 days. Overdue days and fine will be calculated and entered automatically upon confirming return.

1. All Book

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This screen lets use search the entire book catalog of the library by Title, Author, Subject or publication year. It will also let you reserve or delete books.

1. Add Book

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This screen is used to add new books to the catalog. For each copy of the same book, you have to entire a barcode. This barcode can be entered line by line in the given text area. For each book added, a book item is added per barcode.

I have included a button to Fill in Dummy Data for convenient testing.

1. View Issued Books

Graphical user interface, text, application

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This screen lets you search issued books that have not been returned, or the history of all book issues, and you can search all this by member names.

1. Manage Members

Graphical user interface

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This is the screen that lets administartors and librarians add new members and issue and cancel membership cards. Note that a user without a membership card will not be able to borrow books. You can also deactivate or activate users in this screen. You can edit users, promote users to admin or librarian roles as well.

1. Fines

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This screen will let you find and settle fine payments.

Alternatively, you may also log in using a normal user account. In this case you are presented with a smaller set of features which is intended for members only.

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Member Functions

1. All Books

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Description automatically generatedThis is the same as administrator’s all books feature. The difference is you are not able to delete books as a regular user. However you can search and reserve books from here. Note that you will not be able to reserve a book if there are copies available of the title.

1. My Books

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This screen lets the user see their borrowed book history.

1. My Fines

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This screen lets the user see pending fines for their account.

1. My Reservations

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This screen lets users view their own reservations and cancel them.