DERS TANITIM BİLGİLERİ (İNGİLİZCE)

Course Information

Course Name	Code	Semester	Theory (Saat/ Hafta)	Applicatio n (Saat/ hafta)	Laboratory (hours/wee k)	Nation al Credit	ECT S	
Introductio n to Database Systems	ECO N 485	Fall 2023	3			3	6	
Prerequisite								
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Course Language	English	1						
Course Type	Elective	2						
Mode of	Face-to-Face with Distance Learning Components							
Delivery	Course Github: https://github.com/boragungoren-portakalteknoloji/ATILIM- ECON-485-Fall2024							
Learning and Teaching	Flipped Classroom							
Strategies								
Instructor(s)	Bora GÜNGÖREN bora.gungoren@atilim.edu.tr							
Course	This course aims to introduce economics department students to basics of							
Objective	database systems. This course is mainly focused on understanding relational databases.							
Learning Outcomes	 The student can understand an existing relational database or can create a new one with understanding of the topic. The student can create queries to retrieve specific data The student can create diagrams that would visualize the relational databases. 							
Course					abase systems	_		
Content	such languages. Therefore, these achievements during the course helps students to handle big data and complex data structures.							
References	Main Textbook:							

Introduction to Database Systems, 8th Ed. Date, CJ. 2003. Pearson.

Reference Textbook:

Database Design for Mere Mortals: A Hands-On Guide to Relational Database Design, 3rd Ed. 2013. Hernandez, MJ. Addison-Wesley.

SQL Antipatterns: Avoiding the Pitfalls of Database Programming (Pragmatic Programmers). 2017. Karwin, B. Pragmatic Programmers.

Suggested Supplementary Textbook in Turkish:

Veri Tabanı Yönetim Sistemleri – 1, Özseven, T. 2017. Ekin.

SQL ve NoSQL: Kavram – Teori – Uygulama, Daşdemir, Y. 2019. Seçkin.

Course Schedule

Fridays, 09:30 -12:20, Lab 207

Weekly Course outline

Weeks	Topics	Pre-study		
1. Week	Course Review			
2. Week	Review of Popular DBMS Alternatives including cloud based Database as a Service	Lecture Notes & Preliminary Work		
	MySQL Installation on a PC			
3. Week	Theory: Relational Algebra	Lecture Notes &		
	Practical Concepts: Tables, Columns, Row, and Data Types	Preliminary Work		
	Understanding CRUD: Simple Database Backed Business Operations			
4. Week	Relational Database Design and Normalization	Lecture Notes & Preliminary Work		
5. Week	Relational Database Design and Normalization (cnt'd)	Lecture Notes & Preliminary Work		
6. Week	Relational Database Design and Normalization (cnt'd)	Lecture Notes & Preliminary Work		
7. Week	How Application Software Communicate with Relational Databases Examples with Java and Python	Lecture Notes & Preliminary Work Homework Assignment #1		
	SQL Queries Single Table	(Database Design)		
8. Week	Midterm Exam (tentative)			
9. Week	Operators and Functions	Lecture Notes &		
	Further Use of SQL Queries in JDBC	Preliminary Work		
10. Week	Joins and Sub-queries	Lecture Notes & Preliminary Work Homework		
11. Week	Views and Indexes	Lecture Notes Assignment #2 (SQL		

		Queries)
12. Week	Problems with Relational Database Use	Lecture Notes
	Backup and Recovery	
	Methods to Ensure Data Quality	
13. Week	CAP Theorem and No-SQL Databases	Lecture Notes
	Using Redis Key-Value Store with Java	
	Using MongoDB Document Database with Java	
14. Week	Project Presentations	Project Delivery

Assessment methods

Course Activities	Number	Percentag
		e %
Attendance (mandatory after add-drop	12	10
period)		
Weekly Preliminary Work	Up to 8	10
Lab Work	Up to 10	10
Assignments	2	20
Projects	1	30
Midterm Exam	1	20
(Written with open ended questions)		
Total	24	100
Percentage of semester activities	24	100
contributing grade success		
Percentage of final exam contributing grade		
success		
Total	24	100

Attendance: Attendance after add-drop period is mandatory. Students are required to attend at least %70 of classes. Typical excuses such as health reports should be communicated with the instructor.

Use of Github: All student work except in-class exams will be submitted through Github. Use of Github is a modern, widely used and well documented way to share code and datasets. It also allows easy tracking of source code, including finding out where it has been copied and pasted from. Therefore ECON majors are expected to be able to use it. As Github use is mandatory, all work submitted in other ways will be automatically disqualified and graded as zero.

Preliminary Homeworks: Students are required to complete simple preliminary homeworks and submit them through Github. These homeworks will contribute toward a major part of their learning and also to their grade.

Use of SQL and MariaDB: Course discussions are based on ANSI standard SQL, but will in many times involve examples using MariaDB which is one of the most popular database management systems in the world. Most if not all homeworks and preliminary work will require use of SQL statements, and some coursework including in-class exams will test students' experience with actual DBMS systems such as

MariaDB. As MariaDB is free software, students have no license limitations to install it to their own computers.

Use of "Free-Tier" Cloud Services: Many cloud service providers such as Amazon or Google provide no-cost limited capacity use of their resources. There are also particular programs aimed at students. This course encourages use of such "free-tier" cloud services in order to deploy DBMS and test SQL statements on a cloud-deployed DBMS.

Use of Programming Languages: Course discussions are language-independent. Assignments can be submitted using any typical programming language such as Python, Java or C++. Students are expected to have a fundamental understanding of the language they submit their homeworks in. Note that SQL will be the required method of database access in this course.

Use of Third Party Code Examples and Tutorials: Most, if not all, of class homeworks will require students to use programming libraries. These libraries are in all cases well documented and there are several online examples and tutorials for these libraries. In case a student finds useful code snippets, and simply copies and pastes the code, this is allowed. However, students are **required to give a reference** to the example or tutorial they have used inside the code, as a comment.

Use of ChatGPT and Similar LLM Tools: Use of AI tools in preliminary work, homeworks and final project is **allowed**, as long as **students report how these tools** have been used (questions asked and answers gotten, problems with answers, how students modified AI output in their work, etc.)

Course Category: Major Area Course

Workload and ECTS Calculation

Activities	Number	Duration (Hours)	Total Work Load
Course Duration (Including Exam	14	2	28
Week: 16 x Total Hours)			
Laboratory	14	1	14
Application			
Specific practical training (if any)			
Field Activities			
Study Hours Out of Class	13	4	52
(Preliminary work, reinforcement,			
etc)			
Presentation / Seminar Preparation			
Projects	1	25	25

Homework assignment	2	10	20
Midterms (Study duration)	1	20	20
Final (Study duration)			
Total Workload			161

Matrix of the Course Learning Outcomes Versus Program Outcomes

Program Outcomes		Contribution Level*			
-		2	3	4	5
1 Deepen and develop advanced level and current knowledge in economics to an expert level based on the competencies of the economics education and acquire the skills make original thoughts, views, and contributions to science.					X
2 To comprehend the interaction between economics and related fields; to achieve original results by using expert knowledge in analysis, and evaluation of new and complex ideas.					Х
3 To acquire high level skills in applied methods in economics and to be able to systematically follow new theoretical developments in applied economics.					X
4 To be able to apply existing techniques to an original research idea.					X
5 To find a new scientific method.					X
6 To broaden the knowledge of economics by publishing scientific articles related to economics in national or international refereed journals and to publish these articles in a scientific ethical way.					X
7 To be able to identify, participate in, organize and lead activities, such as panels, workshops and conferences, that aim todevelop solutions for novel and interdisciplinary problems.			х		
8 To follow pioneering and innovative theories and methods in economics, to be able to use them in analysis and research and to be able to contribute to the process of becoming an information society.					X
9 To be able to analyze the relationships and processes in economics and to develop functional and effective communication networks.			X		
10 To make some scientific contributions to projects aiming to increase the productivity in business.					X

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11 To be able to share his/her work and to			х
criticize works of others by using academic			
networks in economics efficiently.			

1: Lowest, 2: Low, 3: Average, 4: High, 5: Highest