# Diary Management System

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# Final Project Report of Dairy Management System

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#### **Roles of Team Members**

During each phase of the project, each team member actively contributed to the project by conversing with each other and implementing a completed application. During each phase, we encountered various problems while attempting to use Python code and changed the approach by changing which programming language we used to create the final application. Each team member gave a full contribution to the finalization of the Diary Management System.

#### **Team Member Introduction**

#### Kiera Mariah Cutri

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Kiera Cutri is a current Computer Science graduate student at Sacred Heart University; they have previous experience with C++, C#, Java, and Python. Kiera has previously worked at the Sacred Heart Factory as a level one technician for 3 years where she gained experience with troubleshooting various software issues; she has also performed various repairs and upgrades to their laptop.

I met Ankush after the first Advanced Database course and we conversed about interests, backgrounds, and hobbies. After finding common ground for interests, I thought that he would be a good partner for the project, he reached out to me first regarding group work. The team leader was decided through a discussion of responsibilities and through deciding who would prefer to take the role.

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Ankush Chaudhari is a current graduate student at Sacred Heart University; he completed his undergraduate degree in both Electronics and in Telecommunication Engineering. After he completed his degree, he worked for MNC as an implementation consultant for 1.6 years. His role was to handle ERP systems, Client relations Project Management, Vendor Management, provide clients hands on training on the system, and design and integrate the system according to client requirements. Ankush is very passionate about his work roles. His team had received an extra mile reward for completing various projects before the deadline.

On the first day of my Database Management class, I was seated in the first row of the classroom. Kiera was seated towards my right. We had a conversation regarding the software installation and some doubts. After class we had a brief conversation regarding our backgrounds. Kiera completed her undergraduate in gaming, she also told me about her interest in various programming languages which they had known. At that point I decided that Kiera is a perfect team partner and head, so I approached them and now we are a team.

# **Purpose**

The purpose of the Diary Management System (DMS) is to aid staff members within a department to collaborate and organize in a school setting. This system allows faculty members to update their activity details within a diary that is accessible to relevant users. Permitted users will have access to the activity of specific events that have been logged within the system. This proposed system aims to minimize the time burden imposed on faculty members by allowing users to search for a colleague's log within their diary. The Head of Department (HOD) will be able to view each faculty member's diary logs.

# **Scope**

TechME aims to produce an application that will provide greater ease for users by allowing users to effortlessly search and find records that pertain to other colleagues. This system provides users with an advanced and secure way to store documents that can be accessed by higher ups within a department.

#### **Motivation**

These days, everything tends to be stored within databases. Our staff continues to use more traditional logging methods when recording work information. To make the most out of current technology, we are creating the DMS which will allow faculty members to upgrade their work from traditional logging techniques to databases.

## **Literature Survey**

Keeping logs to maintain work records daily allow faculty members to keep track of their work in their department. Each faculty member can keep and maintain a traditional diary which stores logs of their workday. Faculty members input various information relevant to their workday such as attendance, course number, semester taught, comments for the class, and content covered during lecture. The diary logs are later reviewed by the Department Head at the end of the day. Within our college, every faculty member keeps and maintains a work diary to enter logs of their workday daily. By maintaining a work diary, it allows faculty members to detail their workday and keep a log that would be available to other coworkers within their department. By having a diary system in place, it allows others to know the daily routines of faculty members and allows for easier assignment based on availability.

We were able to gauge an idea of how this system would work based on an online example of a diary management system on sourcecodester.com [2].

#### **Pros and Cons**

When considering the Diary Management System. We considered potential positives and negatives that would attribute to the system. The primary positives of the system would be that it would provide an accurate timeline of events and permit for easier scheduling of employees. The system would be able to support multiple team members at once and would allow coworkers to hold each other accountable for each other for specific actions preformed. The primary potential negatives we came across for this project would be a decrease in teamwork among members, large data size which use large pieces of software which would occupy multiple megabytes of diskspace, there could be an annual recurrent maintenance cost, and an ethical concern for privacy.

# **Entity and Key Descriptions**

When selecting entities for our project, we examined how a university or college works and attempted to mimic how they operate within a database. We began by looking at the direct relationships among members of an institution; we noticed that there were individuals who worked for the institution which fell under faculty or staff members. We noticed that students interacted with both faculty and staff. Since faculty and staff members played a vital role in the Diary management System, we included them in our entity list.

We observed that the institution utilized multiple buildings and classrooms which members of the institution interacted with. When we looked to how faculty members use the building, we included aspects which were being used. Building name, classroom location, department, and the subject which the faculty member taught were all aspects of the institution which would allow for more detailed diary entries. Faculty members have information that pertain to themselves and to other aspects of the institution such as scheduling and teaching. Faculty members belong to different departments based on their specialized subjects which impact what they would teach to students.

We noticed that the faculty members schedules aligned with what students would take based on what the faculty member would teach. We thought it would be important to include aspects of the student and faculty interaction in our database by using student class status and student schedule. We noticed that students typically had declared one major but would still take a variety of subjects for their schedule. With each subject that a student would take, each class would occur at different times and different days for varied durations.

### **ER to EER Model**

After considering what all our entities would be for the DMS, we broke down what attributes would be a part of each entity. We viewed each entity and determined which ones were strong and which ones would be weak; afterwards, we listed what type of relationship each of our entities would have with each other such as many to many, one to one, and one to many. After determining the relationships between entities, we transferred this into an ER Model. Once the ER Model was created, we transferred the information into an EER Model by adding datatypes to each attribute. We kept the names of entities and attributes across models.

For the visuals of these models, please refer to the figures on pages 6 and 7.

# **ER Model**

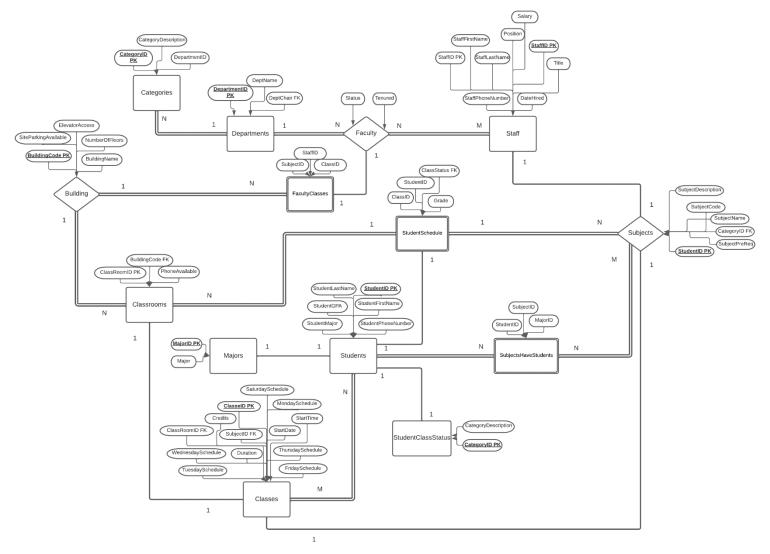


Figure 1: ER Model

Created in Lucidchart at <a href="https://www.lucidchart.com">www.lucidchart.com</a> [3]

## **EER Model**

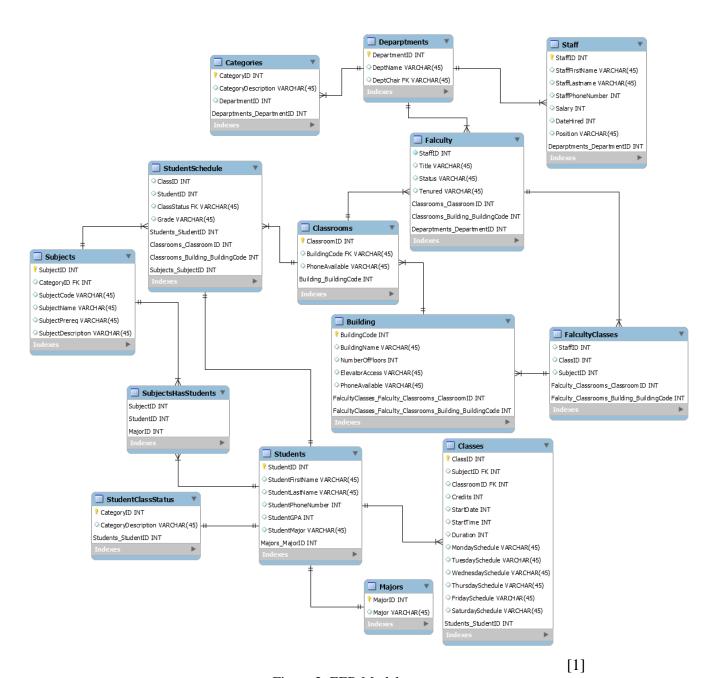


Figure 2: EER Model

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# **Description of SQL Code**

When creating our database, we observed how most systems work in a school setting. When looking to things like if a faculty member were tenured, if a phone would be available, or if an elevator would be available in the building, we decided to use a single character to indicate if these things were available by having a yes ('y') value or a no ('n') value. Information such as titles, names, positions, and schedule we were unsure how many characters the user would input so we made sure to make these attributes variable characters. Initially, for attributes such as date hired, phone number, salary, and credits we thought that these values would be stored as integers and have allotted a value for how many digits would be input by the user. We later changed these values to reflect the variables more accurately in the database. As an example, we changed phone number from an integer value to a character value based on how this does not change, we kept the number of digits the same based on phone numbers containing ten digits in the United States. The variable 'GPA' was changed from integer to a float value based on how the value for a grade point average is stored on a four-point scale at Sacred Heart University. For attributes such as subject code, subject name, and other class identifying attributes we had adjusted these to be character values based on a mixture of a set number of letters and numbers.

When writing the code for the database we referred to w3schools.com [5] and guru99.com [4] for how to write and format primary keys and foreign keys.

## **Example of Insertion Error**

INSERT INTO subjectsHaveStudents (subjectID, studentID, majorID) VALUES ("ASTO", "0835019", 11650)

Error Code: 1452. Cannot add or update a child row: a foreign key constraint fails ('universitymanagement'.'subjectshavestudents', CONSTRAINT 'fksubjectID' FOREIGN KEY ('subjectID') REFERENCES 'subjects' ('subjectID')) 0.016 sec INSERT INTO subjectsHaveStudents (subjectID, studentID, majorID) VALUES ("ASTO", "0835019", 11650);

# **Constraints Protect from Invalid Entry**

Different constraints were used in our database to prevent invalid inputs; some such constraints were in the form of primary keys and foreign keys. Some examples that we had used in our database were through the datatype float, datetime, and time. Float was used for the attribute "studentGPA", by having this value be a limited decimal value, it allows the data to be specified as a numeric value while if this value were a different datatype, it would open the ability for incorrect data. Another datatype that was used was time and datetime; these datatypes require input in a valid format and will reject the input if the formatting is incorrect, this decreases the input of incorrect data through mandatory formatting and only acceptance of numeric values. We had used the time and datetime through the "startDate" and "startTime" attributes. Additionally, we used multiple constraints through keys. Some such examples of keys we had used were primary and foreign keys. By using these keys, it assures that the data must remain consistent with the primary key to run without error; an example of a primary key we had used was "studentID", we had referenced this through foreign keys in tables such as "subjectID". As a foreign key, if the information about the datatype, the information input, or the length allotted did not match the primary key, the data would not store and would need to be edited.

# Listing of All Entities, Attributes, and Keys

FacultyClassroomsStaffIDPKClassRoomIDPKTitleBuildingCodeFKStatusPhoneAvailable

Tenured

Building

StaffBuildingCodePKStaffIDPKBuildingNameStaffFirstNameNumberOfFloorsStaffLastNameElevatorAccessStaffPhoneNumberSiteParkingAvailable

Salary

DateHired StudentSchedule
Position ClassIDCPK
StudentID CPK
Departments ClassStatus FK

DepartmentID PK

DeptName

DeptChair FK

Students

Grade

StudentID PK
FacultyClasses StudentFirstName
StaffID CPK StudentLastName
ClassID CPK StudentPhoneNumber
SubjectID CPK StudentGPA

StudentMajor

**Subjects** 

SubjectID PK SubjectsHaveStudents

CategoryID FK SubjectID
SubjectCode StudentID
SubjectName MajorID

SubjectPreReq SubjectDescription

**StudentClassStatus**CategoryID PK

CategoryDescription

Classes ClassIDPK

SubjectID FK Majors

ClassRoomID FK MajorID PK Credits Major

StartDate

StartTime Categories

Duration CategoryID PK
MondaySchedule CategoryDescription
TuesdaySchedule DepartmentID

WednesdaySchedule ThursdaySchedule FridaySchedule SaturdaySchedule

# **Altering Our Code**

When adjusting our code, we had to either add columns or adjust datatypes of attributes. We preformed these changes through a sequence of alter commands in our code. For the table "staff" we added the column for birth date and used an update command to input the data per identifying number for staff members in the database. We additionally preformed multiple modify commands to change previous datatypes to more efficient and relevant ones. The following are some code excepts for where these changes were made:

1) ALTER TABLE staff ADD dateOfBirth datetime(6);

UPDATE staff

SET dateOfBirth = CAST('1989/01/22' AS DATETIME) WHERE staffID = 0216659;

	staffID	staffFirstName	staffLastName	staffPhoneNumber	salary	dateHired	position
•	0216659	Benett	Beril	914888594	80000	1996-07-06 00:	Instructor
	0326598	Hope	Jerker	2035945948	85000	1999-02-21 00:	Professor
	0458894	Lex	Long	2035845948	75000	1998-12-22 00:	Secretary
	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

Figure 3: Before Alter staff

	staffID	staffFirstName	staffLastName	staffPhoneNumber	salary	dateHired	position	dateOfBirth
<b>&gt;</b>	0216659	Benett	Beril	9148885948	80000	1996-07-06 00:	Instructor	1989-01-22 00:00:00.000000
	0326598	Hope	Jerker	2035945948	85000	1999-02-21 00:	Professor	1999-03-06 00:00:00.000000
	0445678	Erna	Hanne	8895694581	81000	1999-09-03 00:	Associate Professor	1966-12-22 00:00:00.000000
	0458894	Lex	Long	2035845948	75000	1998-12-22 00:	Secretary	1966-08-15 00:00:00.000000
	0468994	Racquel	Hollis	2055875148	65000	2015-10-22 00:	Secretary	1987-08-11 00:00:00.000000
	0469994	Marju	Danni	2059895178	80500	2017-12-03 00:	Professor	1974-07-12 00:00:00.000000
	0528464	Lucretia	Erika	2036689457	80000	2018-10-2200:	Associate Professor	1980-09-12 00:00:00.000000
	0554864	Affan	Eukleides	5946581265	90000	2003-05-06 00:	Professor	1969-07-30 00:00:00.000000
	0648464	Modesta	Jonatan	2098469958	85000	2019-12-1100:	Professor	1989-10-02 00:00:00.000000
	0828164	Sundar	Malena	2994859162	80000	2020-01-03 00:	Assistant Professor	1978-07-12 00:00:00.000000
	0854864	Zaahir	Halcyone	3694581596	60000	2021-01-16 00:	Instructor	1997-02-06 00:00:00.000000
	0864761	Adela	Euthymius	9564855574	75000	2022-01-15 00:	Instructor	1994-06-09 00:00:00.000000
	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

Figure 4: After Alter Staff

2) ALTER TABLE falcultyClasses ADD subjectID varchar(8);

	staffID	classID
•	0216659	1011
	0648464	1021

Figure 5: Before Alter falcultyClasses

staffID	classID	subjectID
0216659	1011	N/A
0648464	1021	N/A
0554864	2021	N/A
0854864	3021	N/A
0469994	3022	N/A
0326598	4021	N/A
0326598	4022	N/A
0528464	5021	N/A
0445678	6021	N/A
0445678	6022	N/A
	0216659 0648464 0554864 0854864 0469994 0326598 0326598 0528464 0445678	0216659 1011 0648464 1021 0554864 2021 0854864 3021 0469994 3022 0326598 4021 0326598 4022 0528464 5021

Figure 6: After Alter falcultyClasses

3) ALTER TABLE categories MODIFY subjectID char(8);

UPDATE categories SET subjectID = CAST('ASTRO' as char) WHERE categoryID = 'ASTR1265';

	categoryID	subjectID	categoryDescription	departmentID
•	ASTR 1265	5648	Study of the universe	10000000
	MEDI2294	6689	Substance preparation to treat disease	20000000

Figure 7: Before Alter categories

	categoryID	subjectID	categoryDescription	departmentID
•	ASTR 1265	ASTRO	Study of the universe	10000000
	BIOL4489	BIO	Living organisms	40000000
	CHEM3364	CHEM	Properties, composition, and structure of eleme	30000000
	MEDI2294	MED	Substance preparation to treat disease	20000000
	PHYS5591	PHYS	Properties of matter and energy	50000000
	PSYC6684	PSYCH	Human mind and its functions	60000000
	NULL	HULL	NULL	NULL

Figure 8: After Alter categories

4) ALTER TABLE building MODIFY buildingCode varchar(6);

UPDATE building SET buildingCode = CAST('1945-A' as varchar) WHERE buildingName = 'Astronomy Building';

	buildingCode	buildingName	numberOfFloors	elevatorAccess	siteParkingAvailable
•	1956	Astronomy Building	5	у	у
	2956	Medicine Building	3	у	у
	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

Figure 9: Before Alter building

	buildingCode	buildingName	numberOfFloors	elevatorAccess	siteParkingAvailable
•	1945-A	Astronomy Building	5	у	у
	2234-B	Medicine Building	3	у	у
	3017-C	Chemistry Building	2	n	у
	4885-D	Biology Building	2	n	у
	5675-E	Physics Building	1	n	у
	6841-F	Psychology Building	2	у	у
	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

Figure 10: After Alter building

# 5) ALTER TABLE studentSchedule MODIFY studentID char(8);

	dassID	studentID	dassStatus	grade
•	4021	835561	Active	N/A
	4022	815948	Active	N/A

Figure 11: Before Alter studentSchedule

	classID	studentID	dassStatus	grade
•	4021	0835561	Active	N/A
	4022	0815948	Active	N/A
	3022	0715849	Active	N/A
	3022	08269458	Active	N/A
	5021	0835945	Active	N/A
	5021	0819481	Active	N/A
	2021	0835019	Active	N/A
	1011	0835447	Active	N/A
	5021	0801594	Active	N/A
	4022	0835011	Active	N/A

Figure 12: After Alter studentSchedule

# **Optimization**

When optimizing our database, we carefully reviewed our code to see how best to optimize for the best performance. We had already produced some good optimization techniques from the beginning of the creation of our database such as selecting specific columns for insertion of values instead of calling the entire table, we avoided running queries in loops, we used 'create table if not exists', and used the 'where' command instead of 'having'. Based on good coding practices, we did not need to adjust the database to further optimize.

By using the 'where' command instead of the 'having' command it allows for faster execution of the database since the database will perform the command immediately while the 'having' command would wait to preform the command until the end of execution of the database. This can be seen when the data for some tables has been updated.

UPDATE categories

SET subjectID = CAST('ASTRO' as char)

WHERE categoryID = 'ASTR1265';

By using the command 'create table if not exists', allows for the database to overlook tables if they already exist and immediately go to the next command; this allows the program to continue running without the risk of duplication.

#### **GUI**

When in the process of creating our graphical user interface (GUI), we referenced multiple projects to gain an idea of how to produce a proper and fully functioning GUI. We have attempted to manipulate and edit various projects to attempt to incorporate them into our project. For the login page of our application, we initially borrowed code from an online resource [6], we have attempted to adjust the login page in python to redirect to another GUI application but received errors and are in the process of fixing this. We later changed the GUI from Python to Sublime and XAMPP as these were both more user-friendly. Sublime is a commercial source code editor that natively supports multiple programming languages and markup languages; typically, Sublime is community built and maintained under free software licenses [7]. XAMPP is a free, open-source cross-platform web server solution developed by Apache Friends; XAMPP uses Apache HTTP Server, MariaDB database, and interprets scripts in PHP and Perl programming languages [8].

Figure 13: Page Layout

```
$servername = "localhost";
$username = "root";
$password = "";
$dbname = "universitymanagement";

// Create connection
$conn = new mysqli($servername, $username, $password, $dbname);
// Check connection
if ($conn->connect_error) {
    die("Connection failed: " . $conn->connect_error);
}

$uname = $_POST['username'];
$pwd = $_POST['password'];
$sql = "insert into admin values('$uname','$pwd')";

if ($conn->query($sql) === TRUE) {
    echo "cscript>alert('Registered Successfully')</script> ";
    header("refresh:0;url = index.php");
} else {
    echo "cscript>alert('Error')</script> ";
    header("refresh:0;url = registration.php");
}
$conn->close();
}
```

Figure 14: Connection to Database

Figure 15: Login Page Code

```
Suname = $_POST['uname'];
$pwd = $_POST['pwd'];

$sql = "SELECT username, password FROM admin where username = '$uname' and password = '$pwd' ";
$result = $conn->query($sql);

if ($result->num_rows > 0) {
    // output data of each row
    while($row = $result->fetch_assoc()) {

    $un = $row['username'];
    $pd = $row['password'];
    if( ($uname == $un && $pwd == $pd ) == TRUE)
    {
        echo "<script>alert('Login Successful')</script>";
        header("refresh:0;url = welcome.php");
    }
} else {
    echo "<script>alert('Invalid Credentials')</script>";
    header("refresh:0;url = index.php");
```

Figure 16: Query for Login

The login page required multiple steps to implement into a GUI. To connect to the database aspects of the login are incorporated into that portion to only allow authorized users to sign in. The login page code was used in the creation of a login page, this page allows for sign in of registered users and registration of new users. The query for login calls for the username and password from the database and sends a popup for successful sign in or if credentials were invalid. The page layout code is utilized for the overall layout of the graphical user interface (GUI) and is reflected in the visuals of the different pages of the GUI.

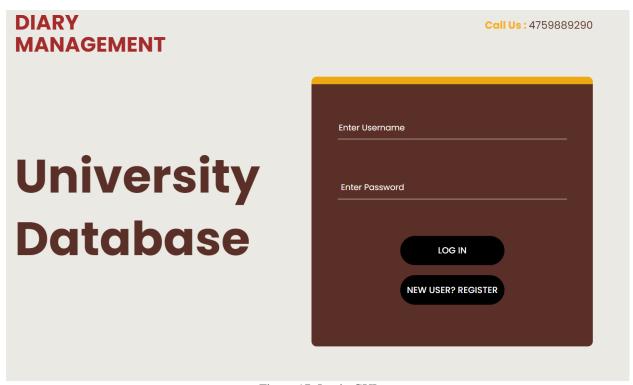


Figure 17: Login GUI

Figure 18: Main Menu Code

The main menu or view information page, utilizes two primary buttons, one which leads to the ability to add a new staff profile and another which leads to student data. The create staff profile leads to a new page as does the view student data. In the code, there are lines which manipulate the visuals of the buttons.

#### **View Information**





Figure 19: Main Menu GUI

```
$servername = "localhost";
$username = "root";
$password = "";
$dbname = "universitymanagement";

// Create connection
$conn = new mysqli($servername, $username, $password, $dbname);
// Check connection
if ($conn->connect_error) {
    die("Connection failed: " . $conn->connect_error);
}

$sid = $_POST['sid'];
//$gpa = $_POST['gpa'];

$sql = "delete from students where studentID = $sid ";

if ($conn->query($sql) === TRUE) {
    echo "<script>alert('Deleted Successfully')</script> ";
    header("refresh:0;url = sinfo.php");
} else {
    echo "<script>alert('Error')</script> ";
    header("refresh:0;url = sinfo.php");
}

$conn->close();
}
```

Figure 20: Delete Student Info

After selecting the view student info button, one of the functions allows for the deletion of student data. The code displays a connection to the database, then allows for the deletion of data from the student table then displays a confirmation message of the deletion. Once a data point is deleted, it is a permanent deletion across all tables.

# **Delete Student Information**

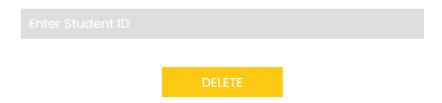


Figure 21: Delete Student GUI

```
$servername = "localhost";
$username = "noot";
$password = "";
$dbname = "universitymanagement";

// Create connection
$conn = new mysql:($servername, $username, $password, $dbname);
// Check connection
if ($conn->connect_error) {
    die("Connection failed: " . $conn->connect_error);
}

$sid = $POST['sid'];
$gpa = $_POST['gpa'];
$sql = "update students set studentGPA = $gpa where studentID = $sid ";

if ($conn->query($sql) === TRUE) {
    echo "<script>alert('Updated Successfully')</script> ";
    header("refresh:0;url = sinfo.php");
} else {
    echo "<script>alert('Error')</script> ";
    header("refresh:0;url = sinfo.php");
}
$conn->close();
}>
```

Figure 22: Update Code

After selecting the view student info button, one of the functions allows for the user to update the information in the student table. This is done through searching for a student based on Student ID and adjusting data of the student after it is found in the database. We are able to update various fields in regard to the student table through identification with the student ID.

#### **Student Information**

Student ID	First Name	Last Name	Phone Number	GPA	Majors
715849	Yiannis	Melania	2059436184	3.51	Chemistry
801594	Marcela	Slaven	3518495794	2.894	Physics
815948	Sabrina	Adolf	2035514975	3.052	Biology
819481	Sindri	Jolanta	2016548271	3.248	Physics
835011	Lena	Cruz	3152094816	4	Biology
835019	Dakarai	Nida	6025187956	3.15	Medicine
835447	Magnus	Marissa	4587946185	3.758	Astronomy
835561	Vikram	Manlio	2035694788	3.445	Biology
835945	Laxmi	Alexis	2779485125	3.956	Physics
8269458	Frankie	Sabriye	9148769102	3.845	Chemistry

## **Update Student Information**



Figure 23: Update GUI

Figure 24: Add New Staff Member

Another part of our GUI was the ability to add new staff members to our database. This was similarly preformed for the student table in our database with different fields. In the code, it indicates what fields need to be filled in order to add a new staff member while also referencing the variables that are required in the field. For this part of the GUI, all variables are marked as required by the user to input.

# **Complete Staff Profile**

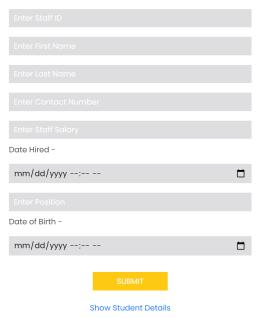


Figure 25: Add New Staff Member GUI

### **Future Work and Conclusions**

This project has allowed us to further develop our communication skills, time management, peer review, peer accountability, the ability to delegate responsibilities, and refine our understandings of concepts through careful discussion and explanation with each other.

For the future of this project, we would like to create a fully working graphical user interface. We would also like to polish the aesthetic appearance of the application; one such way we would attempt this is by taking original photos and creating an original logo to incorporate into the application. We would like to optimize the graphical user interface to run more efficiently after having a more complete implementation. We would like to add security features to prevent malicious attacks on the database. After moving our project from python to CSS and PHP, we were only able to collaborate locally from the XAMPP for the GUI. We would like to transfer the local instance of our GUI to a local web server for more convenient collaboration. We would additionally like to improve the functionality of this project by allowing faculty and staff members to leave detailed logs of their schedules and of their day.

# **GitHub Repository**

Over the course of our project, we utilized GitHub to upload and keep records of the various phases of our project. This repository was shared across team members and with the professor. The repository can be found at the following link: <a href="https://github.com/cutrik/CS603-FinalProject">https://github.com/cutrik/CS603-FinalProject</a>

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