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University Library System (ULS)

This document presents the development plan of the University Library System (ULS) following the **Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC)** methodology. The system is intended to streamline the management of library resources, improve user experience, and support the university's library operations.

User (Student / Faculty) 3. grants access 1. logs in initiates transaction Authentication Transaction 5. requests book 10. updates book info 6. validated by librarian Librarian Book 2. verifies credentials 8. recorded in database 9. status updated 7. accesses database Database

Library Management System - Collaboration Diagram

Collaboration Diagram Documentation: Library Management System

This document describes the sequence of interactions between objects within the Library Management System for the "Book Borrowing" scenario, as illustrated in the collaboration diagram.

Overview

A collaboration diagram shows how different software objects interact with each other by sending messages to accomplish a specific task. The diagram below details the numbered steps for a user to borrow a book.

Participating Objects

- User (Student / Faculty): The actor who initiates the process of borrowing a book.
- **Authentication:** The object responsible for verifying the user's identity.
- **Transaction:** An object created to manage the details of the book loan.
- **Librarian:** The object representing the staff member who validates the transaction.
- Book: The object representing the book being borrowed.
- Database: The central object for storing and retrieving all system data.

Interaction Sequence

The process unfolds in the following sequence of messages:

- 1. **logs in:** The **User** sends a login request to the **Authentication** object.
- 2. **verifies credentials:** The **Authentication** object sends the user's credentials to the **Database** for verification.
- 3. **grants access:** Upon successful verification, the **Authentication** object grants access back to the **User**.
- 4. **initiates transaction:** The logged-in **User** starts the borrowing process, creating a **Transaction** object.
- 5. **requests book:** The **Transaction** object requests the specific **Book** to be borrowed.
- 6. **validated by librarian:** The **Transaction** is sent to the **Librarian** object for validation and approval.
- 7. **accesses database:** The **Librarian** accesses the **Database** to confirm the user's status and book availability.
- 8. **recorded in database:** The **Transaction** object sends the loan details to be recorded permanently in the **Database**.
- status updated: The Book object's status is updated in the Database to "issued" or "unavailable."
- 10. **updates book info:** The **Transaction** object updates the **Book** object's information to reflect the successful loan.