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Assignment 04

# Assignment 04: Enrollment System with 2d Lists

## Introduction:

This document presents a python assignment meant to practice using multi dimensional lists and interfacing with files. I am extremely interested in feedback on this assignment as I found it particularly difficult and I am still concerned that I may not have hit the exact mark here.

## The Code:

### Expected Outcomes:

We expect the code to preserve and then be able to add to the data already present in the csv. The code should be able to extract and write information without creating artifacts.

### Capturing Data from the .CSV:

```
isfirstrun = True
file_obj = open(FILE_NAME, "r")
for row in file_obj.readlines():
    student_data = row.split(",")
    student_data = [student_data[0],student_data[1],student_data[2].strip()]

    if isfirstrun:
        csv_table_data = [student_data]
        isfirstrun = False
    else:
        csv_table_data.append(student_data)

## confirma and feedback data import
print ("inherited data from .csv is:")
index = 0
for each in csv_table_data:
    print(f"Index {index} is: {csv_table_data[index]}")
    index +=1
```

*Fig 01 Extracting the information from the .csv and displaying it*

The code reads each line of the .csv file and appends it to the csv\_table\_data list. Then the code prints that information to confirm its import to the user at the start of the program.

### Adding user input data:

```
# Input user data
if menu_choice == "1": # This will not work if it is an integer!
    student_first_name = input("Enter the student's first name: ")
    student_last_name = input("Enter the student's last name: ")
    course_name = input("Please enter the name of the course: ")
    csv_data = [student_first_name, student_last_name, course_name]
    csv_table_data.append(csv_data)
    print(f"Added Student: {csv_data}")
    continue
```

*Fig 02 collection the information from user and formatting as a list*

The main change in this section was to modify the csv\_data variable to be a list which can then be appended to the table.

### Displaying data:

```
# Present the current data
elif menu_choice == "2":
    print("\nThe current data is:")
    index = 0
    for each in csv_table_data:
        print(csv_table_data[index])
        index += 1
    continue
```

*Fig 03 displaying the data with a loop.*

To print the data a loop was added to help show the user the table in a readable format using separate print statements.

## Writing data:

```
# Save the data to a file
elif menu_choice == "3":
    file_obj = open(FILE_NAME, "w")

    index = 0
    for each in csv_table_data:
        string_data = (f"{csv_table_data[index][0]},{csv_table_data[index][1]},{csv_table_data[index][2]}")
        file_obj.write(string_data)
        file_obj.write("\n")
        index += 1

    file_obj.close()
    print("data updated")
    continue
```

*Fig 04 wiring the data back to the .csv*

To write the new 2d list to a table a loop that iterates on an f string was used to make sure the data formatting was consistent in its output. Otherwise the program adds formatting artifacts on subsequent runs to the .csv file.

## Testing:

The code was tested in pycharm and terminal.

```
---- Course Registration Program ----
Select from the following menu:
  1. Register a Student for a Course.
  2. Show current data.
  3. Save data to a file.
  4. Exit the program.
-----

What would you like to do: 1
Enter the student's first name: Soren
Enter the student's last name: Nielsen
Please enter the name of the course: Python 100
Added Student: ['Soren', 'Nielsen', 'Python 100']

---- Course Registration Program ----
Select from the following menu:
  1. Register a Student for a Course.
  2. Show current data.
  3. Save data to a file.
  4. Exit the program.
-----

What would you like to do: 2

The current data is:
['amy', 'adams', 'python 100']
['becky', 'barnes', 'python 200']
['Soren', 'Nielsen', 'Python 100']
```

```
Mac-Pro:A04 lukenielsen$ Python3 Assignment04.py
inherited data from .csv is:
Index 0 is: ['amy', 'adams', 'python 100']
Index 1 is: ['becky', 'barnes', 'python 200']

---- Course Registration Program ----
Select from the following menu:
  1. Register a Student for a Course.
  2. Show current data.
  3. Save data to a file.
  4. Exit the program.
-----

What would you like to do: 1
Enter the student's first name: Soren
Enter the student's last name: Nielsen
Please enter the name of the course: Python 100
Added Student: ['Soren', 'Nielsen', 'Python 100']

---- Course Registration Program ----
Select from the following menu:
  1. Register a Student for a Course.
  2. Show current data.
  3. Save data to a file.
  4. Exit the program.
-----

What would you like to do: 2

The current data is:
['amy', 'adams', 'python 100']
['becky', 'barnes', 'python 200']
['Soren', 'Nielsen', 'Python 100']

---- Course Registration Program ----
Select from the following menu:
  1. Register a Student for a Course.
  2. Show current data.
  3. Save data to a file.
  4. Exit the program.
-----

What would you like to do: 3
data updated

---- Course Registration Program ----
Select from the following menu:
  1. Register a Student for a Course.
  2. Show current data.
  3. Save data to a file.
  4. Exit the program.
-----

What would you like to do: 4
Program Ended
Mac-Pro:A04 lukenielsen$
```

Fig. 09 Testing the code in Terminal and Pycharm IDE

## Summary

This assignment was a bit of a struggle for me and it still doesnt work if there is no data in the CSV but, the assignment seemed to think that was normal. Hope for some good feedback on this one before i proceed to the next!