

Faculty of Science and Engineering

*Department of MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE*

***Assessment Brief***

<b>Module</b>	5cs045 – Full Stack Development
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<b>Semester</b>	1
<b>Year</b>	2025-2026
<b>Assessment Number</b>	2
<b>% of module mark</b>	100%
<b>Due Date</b>	See below
<b>Hand-in – what?</b>	See below
<b>Hand-in- where?</b>	See below
<b>Pass mark</b>	40%
<b>Method of retrieval</b>	
<b>Feedback</b>	Face to face demonstration
<b>Collection of marked work</b>	See below

**Learning outcomes:**

L01 Demonstrate knowledge of the concepts, approaches and technologies involved in dynamic website construction, full-stack development, and web security.

L02 Be able to design and construct dynamic and secure full-stack websites using appropriate tools and technologies.

Your portfolio is made up of 2 tasks:

- In tasks 1, you are expected to code a simple PHP script in time-constrained conditions (i.e. a test)
- In task 2, you are required to build a secure, dynamic website featuring the technologies taught in the lectures.

Please see below for a detailed description of each task.

### **Choose a topic**

The topic of your site can be any of your choices (Or from a selective choice). Pick something you have an active interest in, a hobby, a sport you play, a group or club you belong to, or any similar topic. Once you have selected your topic, **YOU MUST CONFIRM THIS WITH YOUR TUTOR**. You will not be allowed to proceed with your topic of choice without a tutor's agreement. You may not change your topic without further consultation with your tutor.

<b>Task 1 – Database creation and PHP access</b>
<b>When: Exam week (Will be informed by RTE)</b>
<b>Weight: 30%</b>

You will have 2 hours to perform various coding tasks in a time-constrained environment.

Topics included:

- Basic PHP programming concepts
- Creating a table in MySQL via phpMyAdmin
- Accessing a database from PHP and retrieving/displaying/formatting data
- Committing work to Git.

### **Learning resources**

During the test you will have access to the following resources:

- [PHP: PHP Manual - Manual](#)
- <http://www.w3schools.com/>

## **Tools**

Your site must be coded in a simple text editor, such as Notepad++. You **cannot** use any CMS, Web Frameworks, or similar tools to construct your site. The use of any tools which construct any part of the website for you is strictly forbidden – usage of these tools will result in a FAIL grade. If you are in any doubt about whether the tool you wish to use is not acceptable, speak to your tutor BEFORE you begin to construct your site.

## **Submitting and presenting your work**

You should submit to Canvas a single Word document containing the following information:

- Your student ID
- Your name
- The URL to your work, hosted on server
- The URL to your Git project to which you have committed your work.

## Rubric

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Criteria	Ratings			Points	
Create a MySQL database table	<b>Full marks</b>	<b>Some issues</b>	<b>No work</b>	<input type="text" value="--"/> /5 pts	
	The table was created. A suitable primary key was specified. Suitable data types for all fields. <b>5 pts</b>	The table was created, but there are issues (no primary key, unsuitable data types). <b>2 pts</b>	The table was not created. <b>0 pts</b>		
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Add test data	<b>Full marks</b>	<b>Insufficient data</b>	<b>No marks</b>	<input type="text" value="--"/> /5 pts	
	Sufficient test data was inserted (at least 5 games, different genres, prices etc.) <b>5 pts</b>	Insufficient data was inserted. <b>2 pts</b>	No test data <b>0 pts</b>		
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Access your database table using PHP	<b>Full marks</b>	<b>Poor display</b>	<b>Partially working</b>	<b>No marks</b>	<input type="text" value="--"/> /10 pts
	Data is retrieved and displayed appropriately (e.g. in an HTML list or table). <b>10 pts</b>	Data is retrieved and displayed, but not formatted appropriately. <b>5 pts</b>	Data is retrieved, but only partially displayed (only one field or one record) <b>2 pts</b>	No work done, or script not working (e.g. runtime errors) <b>0 pts</b>	
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Commit your code to Git	<b>Full marks</b>		<b>No marks</b>		<input type="text" value="--"/> /10 pts
	The PHP script was committed to a Git server. <b>10 pts</b>		The PHP script was NOT committed to a Git server. <b>0 pts</b>		
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<b>Task 2 – Full site implementation</b>
<b>Due date: Week 12</b>
<b>Weight: 70%</b>

### **Full site implementation**

Please submit a fully working website, keeping in mind the following points:

- Your website must be developed using PHP and Mysql, and hosted on the school's student server.
- Users should be able to read, add, amend, and delete records stored in your MySQL database.
- Users should be able to search for records stored in your MySQL database (extra points will be earned if searches on several criteria are possible, e.g. list all Sci-Fi books published in 2023)
- Your website should be protected against the most common security threats (XSS, SQL Injection, etc.).
- Ajax has been used to provide useful functionality (e.g. autocomplete search, form filing assistance, etc.)
- Extra points will be earned if a template engine is used to separate client-side markup from server-side logic.

See the rubric below for more information.

### **Submitting and presenting your work**

The work above should be published on the school's student web server and presented to a tutor during workshop hours. **You should also submit the URL of your website to Canvas.**

### **The Demonstration**

You must attend and demonstrate your website to a tutor. This demonstration is your opportunity to highlight the best areas of your work, and to answer any questions that the workshop tutor might have. You will be given feedback on your assessment during this demonstration.

The lecturer will also use this session to assess whether the work presented was created by the student:

- Technical questions about the work will be asked.

- Attendance records will be consulted.
- Git commit logs will be checked.

If the points above are not satisfied, a grade of 0 will be awarded.

Important: You only get one chance to present.

A booking system will be provided. It is your responsibility to book an appointment to demonstrate your work.

Failure to present your work will result in a grade of 0 NS (FAIL) for the assessment.

# Rubric

## Rubric

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Traditional

Instructor score

0 pts

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Criteria	Ratings					Points
Basic database functionality	<b>Full marks</b>	<b>3 CRUD</b>	<b>2 CRUD</b>	<b>1 CRUD</b>	<b>No marks</b>	
	All 4 CRUD operations implemented (Create, Read, Update, Delete). 10 pts	3 CRUD operations implemented (Create, Read, Update, Delete). 7 pts	2 CRUD operations implemented (Create, Read, Update, Delete). 5 pts	1 CRUD operations implemented (Create, Read, Update, Delete). 3 pts	No work done. 0 pts	-- /10 pts
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Security implementation <a href="#">view longer description</a>	<b>Advanced security</b>	<b>Excellent security</b>	<b>Good security</b>	<b>Medium security</b>	<b>Weak security</b>	<b>No work</b>
	5 security features implemented: (1) input filtering, (2) output escaping, (3) sessions used to protect sensitive pages, (4) captcha used, (5) passwords encrypted. 10 pts	4 security features implemented: (1) input filtering, (2) output escaping, (3) sessions used to protect sensitive pages, (4) captcha used, (5) passwords encrypted. 8 pts	3 security features implemented: (1) input filtering, (2) output escaping, (3) sessions used to protect sensitive pages, (4) captcha used, (5) passwords encrypted. 6 pts	2 security features implemented: (1) input filtering, (2) output escaping, (3) sessions used to protect sensitive pages, (4) captcha used, (5) passwords encrypted. 4 pts	1 security feature implemented: (1) input filtering, (2) output escaping, (3) sessions used to protect sensitive pages, (4) captcha used, (5) passwords encrypted. 2 pts	No security work done. 0 pts
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Security testing <a href="#">view longer description</a>	<b>Excellent security testing</b>	<b>Good security testing</b>	<b>Poor security testing</b>	<b>No Evidence</b>		
	An automatic security testing tool was used to generate an audit report. No vulnerabilities present. 10 pts	An automatic security testing tool was used to generate an audit report. Some vulnerabilities present. 7 pts	An automatic security testing tool was used to generate an audit report. Many vulnerabilities present. 4 pts	No evidence of security testing. 0 pts		-- /10 pts

The second half of the rubric is located on the next page.

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Searching	<b>Several criteria simultaneously</b> The user can search on several criteria simultaneously (e.g. find all books where genre = sci-fi and year of publication is 2023) 10 pts	<b>Several criteria</b> The user can search on several criteria, but NOT simultaneously. 7 pts	<b>1 criteria</b> The user can search on 1 criteria. 3 pts	<b>No work</b> No working search functionality 0 pts	<div>--</div> /10 pts
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Template engine	<b>Full use</b> A template engine (e.g. Twig, Smarty...) is used successfully throughout the website. 10 pts	<b>Good use</b> A template engine (e.g. Twig, Smarty...) is used successfully on MOST pages. 7 pts	<b>Partial use</b> A template engine (e.g. Twig, Smarty...) is used partially (e.g. on one page). 4 pts	<b>No marks</b> A template engine is NOT used. 0 pts	<div>--</div> /10 pts
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Ajax	<b>Full marks</b> Ajax has been used and provides useful functionality (e.g. autocomplete search, form filling assistance etc.) 10 pts	<b>Simple use</b> Ajax has been used, but for something simple or not very useful. 5 pts	<b>Major issues</b> Ajax has been used, but there are major issues in its implementation. 3 pts	<b>No marks</b> Ajax has not been used, or is not functional. 0 pts	<div>--</div> /10 pts
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Version Control System	<b>Full marks</b> Git was used regularly and for all code. 10 pts	<b>Partial use</b> Git was used partially (not all code) or intermittently (not very often). 5 pts	<b>Single use</b> Git was used once, near the end of the project. 2 pts	<b>Not used</b> Git was not used at all. 0 pts	<div>--</div> /10 pts
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