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<p style="text-align:center">6-1 Journal: Emerging Technology and Artifact Update</p>

Part One

Cloud computing and artificial intelligence (AI) are two game-changing innovations reshaping the landscape of computer science. Cloud computing provides scalable and on-demand computing resources over the internet, allowing businesses to access and store data efficiently without investing in physical infrastructure. This technology has transformed IT operations by enabling remote work, enhancing collaboration, and reducing costs. Artificial intelligence, on the other hand, encompasses a range of technologies that enable machines to mimic human intelligence, including learning, reasoning, and self-correction. AI is revolutionizing industries by automating processes, enhancing decision-making, and providing personalized experiences.

Cloud computing's impact on computer science is profound, as it promotes the development of scalable, flexible, and cost-effective solutions. As an aspiring IT project manager, staying abreast of cloud computing advancements is crucial for future-proofing my career. This technology's ability to provide scalable resources and enhance collaboration could lead to significant efficiencies in various sectors, enhancing my capacity to design innovative solutions. Artificial intelligence's ability to process large amounts of data and learn from it can lead to more intelligent systems, improving the efficiency and effectiveness of various applications. Incorporating AI into my skill set will enable me to develop smarter, more adaptive systems that can drive significant value across multiple domains.

Cloud computing can revolutionize the world by democratizing access to advanced computing resources, enabling startups and small businesses to compete with larger enterprises. It facilitates global collaboration, remote work, and access to powerful analytics and AI tools, driving innovation across various sectors. AI, meanwhile, has the potential to transform healthcare with predictive diagnostics, improve customer service with intelligent chatbots, and enhance cybersecurity with advanced threat detection. By integrating cloud computing and AI into my career, I can contribute to creating innovative solutions that improve efficiency, security, and overall quality of life for individuals and communities.

Part Two

Software Design and Engineering:

For the Travlr Getaways project, I focused on improving the user authentication process by enhancing the user.js file. The enhancements included implementing more secure password hashing mechanisms and improving JWT generation for better security. The initial enhancement has been submitted, and I am preparing to submit the final enhancement shortly. This work demonstrates my ability to design and implement secure software solutions, aligning with the course outcomes related to software engineering and security.

Algorithms and Data Structures:

The enhancements to the trips.js file included optimizing query handling and implementing efficient algorithms for searching and updating trip information. These improvements showcase my skills in using data structures and algorithms to solve real-world problems efficiently. The initial enhancement has been submitted, and I will be submitting the

final enhancement soon. This work aligns with the course outcome of designing and evaluating computing solutions using algorithmic principles.

Databases:

For the database category, I focused on optimizing database queries and ensuring data integrity within the Travlr Getaways project. This involved refining schema designs and implementing more efficient data retrieval methods. The initial enhancement has been submitted, and the final enhancement is underway. This work highlights my ability to implement innovative techniques in database management, supporting the course outcomes related to software engineering and database practices.

Status Checkpoints for All Categories

Checkpoint	Software Design and Engineering	Algorithms and Data Structures	Databases
Name of Artifact Used	index.js	trips.js	user.js
Status of Initial Enhancement	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted
Submission Status	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted
Status of Final Enhancement	Preparing for Submission	Preparing for Submission	Preparing for Submission

Uploaded to ePortfolio	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
Status of Finalized ePortfolio	Pending	Pending	Pending

These enhancements and the accompanying artifacts demonstrate my growth and learning in computer science, particularly in the areas of software engineering, algorithms, and databases. They also reflect my ability to apply theoretical knowledge to practical, real-world problems, showcasing my readiness for a career in the field.