

# Training Day 14 Report

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The fourteenth day of Web Development training focused on deleting records from a MySQL database using PHP. We learned how to create delete buttons and safely remove records using the DELETE SQL query while confirming user intent to prevent accidental deletions.

### 1. Deleting Records using PHP and MySQL

Learned how to delete specific rows from a database using a unique identifier such as id.

Delete Query Example:

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$sql = "DELETE FROM alumni WHERE id = $id";
```

### 2. Safe Deletion Workflow

Displayed a list of alumni with a "Delete" button next to each record

Passed the record id via URL (e.g., delete.php?id=3)

Confirmed deletion using PHP and an alert prompt (JavaScript introduced briefly)

Redirected to the listing page after successful deletion

### 3. Hands-on Practice

Created a dynamic alumni list with "Delete" links

Connected delete link to a PHP script handling the DELETE query

Displayed a confirmation prompt before deletion

Handled errors like invalid or missing IDs

### 4. Relevance to Project

This functionality allows the admin to remove outdated or duplicate alumni records. It ensures the alumni database remains clean, accurate, and manageable over time.

### 5. Learning Outcomes

Understood how to delete records from a database using PHP

Practiced secure data deletion techniques

Improved user control through confirmation prompts

Completed full CRUD functionality in the Alumni Management Portal

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