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COURSE OUTLINE

Course Outline: DATA BASE MANAGEMENT I  
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**TIME:** Five periods per week for one semester

**TEXTS:**

1. Database Processing: Fundamentals - Design - Implementation by David Kroenke, 3rd edition
2. Learning SQL - Wellesley Software

**PURPOSE:** This is an introductory course in database management systems and database design.

The course begins with a study of the necessary terminology and concepts to gain an appreciation of what a database/database management system is. Database design skills are developed by defining and creating, object diagrams, logical relationships among data, schemas, and sub-schemas using relational Bachman diagrams.

Practical skills are developed through the study and use of Sybase, a relational database management system. A number of case studies will be used to illustrate the analysis, design, and implementation of a database system.

**STUDENT EVALUATION:**

The student's final grade will consist of the following components:

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| Tests (3 @ 20%)              | 60%   |
| Sybase Assignments (4 @ 10%) | 40%   |
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|                              | 100%  |

**GRADING:**

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| A+ | 90 - 100% |
| A  | 80 - 89%  |
| B  | 70 - 79%  |
| C  | 60 - 69%  |
| R  | 0 - 59%   |

**NOTE:** There will be NO re-writes in this course due to poor performance.

**PART A:**

The following modules pertain specifically to the theoretical concepts discussed in the course.

**Module 1:** Introduction to database  
(Chapters 1 and 2)

**Objectives:**

When this module is completed the student should be able to:

1. distinguish database processing from file processing.
2. understand the advantages and disadvantages of database processing.
3. identify and describe the functions of a database management system.
4. identify the role that various components of a database system play.
5. define the terms schema, sub-schema, and internal view.

**Module 2:** Database structures and design.  
(chapters 4 and 6)

- Objectives:** When this module is completed the student should be able to:
1. distinguish among trees, simple networks and complex networks.
  2. understand the difference between flat files and nonflat files.
  3. develop object diagrams based upon a user's work environment and processing requirements.
  4. understand the complexities of database design.
  5. understand the inputs, outputs, and processes for both logical and physical database design.
  6. understand the process for database design and implementation.

**Module 3:** The Relational Model (chapter 5)

- Objectives:** When this module is completed the student should be able to:
1. explain relational terminology
  2. understand and apply the rules for composing relations
  3. understand how trees, simple networks and complex networks are represented in the relational model
  4. understand the concept of normalization and apply normal forms to database design in the relational model

**Module 4:** Physical Structures and the CODASYL MODEL  
(Appendix B and Chapter 13)

- Objectives:** When this module is completed the student should be able to:
1. understand physical structures such as sequential lists, linked lists, and inverted lists
  2. understand how trees, simple networks and complex networks can be represented using linked lists and inverted lists
  3. understand how secondary unique and non-unique keys can be represented using linked lists and inverted lists
  4. understand the nature of database processing using the CODASYL model
  5. represent trees, simple networks, and complex networks with the CODASYL model
  6. show how trees, simple networks, and complex networks are represented in the hierarchical model

**Module 5:** Database Administration  
(chapter 7)

**Objectives:** When this module is completed the student should be able to:

1. understand the importance of database administration.
2. define the DBA's role in the management of data activity.
3. define DBA personnel and placement within an organization.

**PART 'B':** The following topics pertain specifically to the Sybase Data Base Management System (a relational system). These will be discussed concurrently with the theoretical concepts in Part "A".

**MODULE 1:** Sybase Relational Database Management System

**Objectives:** When this module is completed, the student should be able to:

1. understand and apply the criteria to create a Sybase database
2. understand the concepts of unions, differences, intersections, selections, and joins
3. understand and use SQL (structured Query Language) to make queries, generate reports and update a Sybase relational database.