Below is a syllabus for a MySQL database management course:

## Course Title: MySQL Database Management

**Course Description:** This course provides a comprehensive introduction to MySQL, a popular relational database management system (RDBMS). Students will learn fundamental concepts of database design, SQL query language, and database administration tasks using MySQL.

**Prerequisites:** Basic understanding of computer science concepts and familiarity with general-purpose programming languages is recommended.

## **Course Objectives:**

- 1. Understand the principles of relational databases and the role of MySQL in data management.
- 2. Learn how to design and create databases using MySQL.
- 3. Develop proficiency in writing SQL queries to retrieve, manipulate, and manage data.
- 4. Explore advanced MySQL topics such as indexing, transactions, and stored procedures.
- 5. Gain hands-on experience in administering MySQL databases, including user management, backups, and security.

# Course Outline:

- 1. Introduction to MySQL
  - Overview of relational databases
  - Introduction to MySQL RDBMS
  - Installing and setting up MySQL server

## 2. MySQL Basics

- MySQL data types
- Creating and managing databases
- Creating tables and defining constraints

## 3. SQL Basics

- Introduction to SQL (Structured Query Language)
- SELECT statement and querying data
- Filtering, sorting, and limiting results

## 4. Data Manipulation with SQL

- Inserting, updating, and deleting data
- Modifying table structure
- Working with NULL values

## 5. Advanced SQL Queries

- Joins (inner, outer, self)
- Subqueries
- Aggregate functions and grouping

## 6. Indexes and Performance Optimization

- Understanding indexes and their types
- Indexing strategies for performance optimization
- Analyzing and optimizing queries

## 7. Transactions and Concurrency Control

- Introduction to transactions
- ACID properties
- Locking mechanisms and concurrency control

## 8. Stored Procedures and Functions

- Creating and executing stored procedures
- Creating and using user-defined functions
- Benefits and best practices

# 9. MySQL Administration

- User account management
- Backup and restore operations
- Security considerations

## 10. Database Design Best Practices

- Normalization and denormalization
- Designing efficient database schemas
- Data integrity and constraints

## Assessment:

- Weekly assignments to reinforce learning concepts.
- Midterm exam covering topics covered in the first half of the course.
- Final project requiring students to design and implement a MySQL database system based on provided requirements.

# Textbook: "Learning MySQL" by Robin Nixon

## Additional Resources:

- Online tutorials and documentation (MySQL official documentation.
- Supplemental readings and materials provided by the instructor.

## Grading:

- Assignments: 30%
- Midterm Exam: 20%

- Final Project: 40%
- Participation and Attendance: 10%

**Attendance Policy:** Regular attendance is expected. Students are allowed a maximum of three unexcused absences. Excessive absences may result in a reduction of the final grade.

**Office Hours:** Instructor office hours will be held twice a week for additional help and clarification.

