CSCI 175: Intermediate COBOL (II) (4 credits)

Course Description

This course is an introduction to the COBOL programming language. It will use structured design and top-down testing. The programming projects assigned will be business-oriented in nature. Students will write appropriate program documentation and adhere to rigid programming standards.

Instructor information

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Text and References

Text Title: "Structured COBOL Programming" 2nd edition

Text Author: Shelly Cashman Foreman

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Students will need a 3-ring binder and flashdrive.

Course Goals

The following goals will be addressed in the course:

- 1. Define a one-dimensional non-embedded table
- 2. Explain an inspect tallying statement
- 3. Identify the purpose of an SD entry
- 4. Code search all statement
- 5. Code a search statement
- 6. Describe the difference3s between posted and unmatched transactions
- 7. Load a non-embedded table
- 8. Code an inspect tallying statement
- 9. Define a one-dimensional embedded table
- 10. Identify the function of a merge statement
- 11. Explain the return statement
- 12. Explain the release statement
- 13. Describe the output procedure
- 14. Describe the input procedure
- 15. Code a COBOL sort
- 16. Differentiate between subscript and an index
- 17. Understand the function of a transaction file
- 18. Explain the creation of a new version or generation of a sequential file
- 19. Explain file matching update logic for a sequential file
- 20. Explain the use of a multiple-performed paragraph

- 21. Understand the function of a rewrite statement
- 22. Define a multi-dimensional table
- 23. Identify a duplicate transaction
- 24. Code an inspect replacing statement
- 25. Understand sequential file maintenance
- 26. Differentiate between single-level and multiple-level control breaks
- 27. Understand the logic required for control break processing
- 28. Identify the function of the copy statement
- 29. Describe how to manipulate data with an intrinsic function
- 30. Understand the function of an unstring statement
- 31. Code inspect converting statement
- 32. Describe an unmatched master record

Student contributions

Each student will spend at least 6 hours per week preparing for class. Attendance in lecture and lab is critical in this class. If you need special assistance in order to participate in this class, please consult with the instructor as soon as possible.

Course Evaluation

Each test, assignment and quiz is assigned a specified number of points. The points achieved by you are totaled. The number of points possible is then divided into your total, giving a percentage. The percentage is then converted into a letter grade based upon the following scale:

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90% - 100% = A
80% - 89% = B
70% - 79% = C
60% - 69% = D
Below 60% = F
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Late assignments may not be accepted. Point deductions will be taken on accepted late work. If you have a good reason for missing class, it is to your advantage to contact me as soon as possible.

Cheating will not be tolerated. Cheating on any assignment, quiz, or test may result in, but is not limited to, a zero on that assignment, quiz or test, and F in the class and/or suspension or expulsion from NDSCS.

I will expect you to conduct yourself in a professional manner. Part of the mission of NDSCS is to prepare you to succeed in a working environment. One of the best ways to prepare for that environment is to develop professional habits now.

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