

# 55352A: Introduction to SQL Databases

#### **Course Details**

Course Code: 55352A

**Duration:** 3 days

#### **Notes:**

- This course syllabus should be used to determine whether the course is appropriate for the students, based on their current skills and technical training needs.
- Course content, prices, and availability are subject to change without notice.
- Terms and Conditions apply

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#### **About this course**

This three-day instructor-led course is aimed at people looking to move into a database professional role or whose job role is expanding to encompass database elements. The course describes fundamental database concepts including database types, database languages, and database designs.

### **Audience Profile**

The primary audience for this course is people who are moving into a database role, or whose role has expanded to include database technologies.

## **At Course Completion**

After completing this course, students will be able to:

- Describe key database concepts in the context of SQL Server
- Describe database languages used in SQL Server
- Describe data modelling techniques
- Describe normalization and denormalization techniques
- Describe relationship types and effects in database design
- Describe the effects of database design on performance
- Describe commonly used database objects

### **Prerequisites**

This is a foundation level course and therefore only requires general computer literacy. Experience working from a command prompt.

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## **Module 1: Introduction to databases**

This module introduces key database concepts in the context of SQL Server.

#### Lessons

- Introduction to relational databases
- Other types of database
- Data analysis
- Database languages

## Lab 1: Querying SQL Server

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe what a database is
- Understand basic relational aspects
- Describe database languages used in SQL Server
- Describe data analytics
- Describe database languages used in SQL Server

## **Module 2: Data Modelling**

This module describes data modelling techniques.

### Lessons

- Data modelling
- ANSI/SPARC database model
- Entity relationship modelling

#### Lab 1: Entity relationship modelling

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Understand the common data modelling techniques
- Describe the ANSI/SPARC database model
- Describe entity relationship modelling

### **Module 3: Normalization**

This module describes normalization and denormalization techniques.

## Lessons

- Why normalize data?
- Normalization terms
- Levels of normalization
- Denormalization

## Lab 1: Normalizing raw data

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe normalization benefits and notation
- Describe important normalization terms
- Describe the normalization levels
- Describe the role of denormalization

## **Module 4: Relationships**

This module describes relationship types and effects in database design.

#### Lessons

- Schema mapping
- Referential integrity

## **Lab 1: Designing relationships**

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe relationship types
- Describe the use, types, and effects of referential integrity

## **Module 5: Performance**

This module introduces the effects of database design on performance.

## Lessons

- Indexing
- Query performance
- Concurrency

### Lab 1: Query performance

After completing this module, students will be able to:

Discuss the performance effects of indexing

Describe the performance effects of join and search types

Describe the performance effects of concurrency

## **Module 6: Database Objects**

This module introduces commonly used database objects.

#### Lessons

- Tables
- Views
- Stored procedures
- Other database objects



## Lab 1: Using SQL Server in a hybrid cloud

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe the use of tables in SQL Server
- Describe the use of views in SQL Server
- Describe the use of stored procedures in SQL Server
- Describe other database objects commonly used in SQL Server