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ABSTRACT

Workshop II Management System: Progress Submission Module or in abbreviation WMSPS is made especially for the benefits of lecturers of Workshop II subject in Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka, UTeM and also for the students who are taking the subject. Currently, all progress report of Workshop II subject submitted by students is in paper based forms. Therefore, WMSPS was proposed to transform manual process to web based application system. WMSPS is developed by using Object Oriented Analysis and Design Method (OOAD). WMSPS is using Eclipse development platform which is a foundation to construct and run integrated Hibernate and ICEfaces. ICEfaces provides a rich web presentation environment that enhances the standard JavaServer Faces (JSF) framework and provides AJAX-based interactive features for WMSPS. WMSPS use Apache Tomcat as its web server and HSQLDB as its database with Hibernate provide mapping from Java classes to database tables in WMSPS. The purpose of WMSPS is to enable students submit progress report through web application and ease all supervisor and administrator of Workshop II subject in terms of progress report management.

ABSTRAK

Workshop II Management System: Progress Submission Module atau dengan ringkasnya WMSPS, telah dibangunkan untuk manfaat pensyarah-pensyarah mata pelajaran Bengkel II di Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka, UTeM dan juga kepada para pelajar yang mengambil mata pelajaran tersebut. Pada masa kini, semua penghantaran laporan kemajuan adalah dalam bentuk berasaskan kertas. Oleh itu, WMSPS dicadangkan untuk menukar proses manual kepada sistem aplikasi berasaskan web. WMSPS dibangunkan dengan menggunakan Object Oriented Analysis and Design Method (OOAD). WMPS menggunakan Eclipse yang merupakan asas untuk membina dan menjalankan Hibernate dan ICE faces. ICE faces mempunyai web persembahan yang menarik yang meningkatkan taraf JavaServer Faces (JSF) dan menyediakan kemudahan interaktif berasaskan AJAX kepada WMSPS. WMSPS menggunakan Apache Tomcat sebagai web server dan HyperSQL database (HSQLDB) sebagai pangkalan data dengan Hibernate memberikan pemetaan dari Java kelas kepada pangkalan data di WMSPS. Tujuan WMSPS adalah untuk membolehkan pelajar menghantar laporan kemajuan melalui web aplikasi dan untuk kemudahan semua penyelia dan pentadbir mata pelajaran Bengkel II dalam hal pengurusan laporan kemajuan.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AJAX - Asynchronous JavaScript and XML

ANSI - American National Standards Institute.

EC - Equivalence Class

ERD - Entity Relationship Diagram

FTMK - Fakulti Teknologi Maklumat dan Komunikasi

GUI - Graphical User Interface

HSQLDB - Hyper Structured Query Language Database
ICT - Information and Communication Technology

JDBC - Java database connectivity

JDK - Java Development Kits

JSF - JavaServer Faces

LAN - Local Area Network

MIS - Management Information System

MMLS - Multimedia Learning System

OOADM - Object Oriented Analysis and Design Method

OOD - Object oriented design

SQL - Structured Query Language

TCP/IP - Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol

UI - User Interface

UML - Unified Modelling Language

UTeM - Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka

WMSPS - Progress Submission Module of Workshop II

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Background

Workshop II Management System or in short, WMS is an online system that use to manage Workshop II subject in Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM). This system comprises a web base application where any user who has access to the Internet would be able to connect to WMS no matter where he or she is. Progress Submission Module of WMS also known as WMSPS is developed especially for the benefit of lecturer of Workshop II subject and also for students who taking the subject in terms of progress report management.

Currently, students who are taking the Workshop II subject require printing their progress report to hand in to their supervisor. Sometimes students need to spend long time to print their progress report due to the long queue in library especially when it is a time to hand in progress report. Besides, students have to make appointment with supervisor in order to hand in report due to reason of putting progress reports in a box outside supervisor room is not secure because there is probability of lost it or taken by others. Students also have to spend their money to reprint report each time they do any changes with their report. In the other hand, supervisor of Workshop II subject always have to search back student's progress report for evaluation. Supervisors have to check student's submission status by contact with students. In addition, AJK of Workshop II subject has to contact with all supervisor of Workshop II subject in order to know the overall submission status of students. The process of progress report management is inconvenient.

WMSPS is proposed in order to solve all the problems. WMSPS is supported by a user friendly graphical user interface and has three target users who are administrator, lecturers and students. It enable administrator who is AJK of Workshop II subject to create and activate batch so that only students in current batch taking Workshop II subject can login into the system. Besides, Administrator can create and update progress submission types for the current active batch. Delete of progress submission types that does not contain any submission is allowed. Administrator can view the submission's statistical reports in order to know number of groups has submitted progress report and not submit progress reports in chart and table form. Furthermore, administrator can send email remainder to group which have not submit progress reports and students who have not submit logbook.

On the other hand, only students in current active batch taking Workshop II subject are allowed to login into WMS to upload progress reports and logbooks. Submission status of students can always be checked. Progress reports and logbooks submitted can be downloads by students.

Supervisor of Workshop II subject can view their student's submission status at any time by login into WMSPS. Supervisor can download their student's submitted progress reports.

Therefore, with WMSPS, it helps the administrator, supervisor and student in progress report management for Workshop II subject.

1.2 Problem Statements

Currently, UTeM do not have any system that specifically manage Workshop II subject in progress submission. Therefore several problems have occurred regarding to progress report management of Workshop II subject.

i. Time consuming

Students encounter time consuming problem to print and send the report to supervisor especially when it is a time to hand in progress report. Sometimes, students have to make appointment with supervisor in order to hand in report due to reason of putting progress reports in a box outside supervisor room is not secure because there is probability of lost it or taken by others. Sometimes, there is time consuming for supervisors search back student's submission for evaluation.

ii. Cost consuming

Students also have to spend their money to reprint report each time they do any changes with their report.

iii. Difficult to check submission status

Supervisors have to contact with students in order to know student's submission status. Administrator is unable to know the overall submission status of student at any time. To know the overall submission status, administrator has to contact with all Workshop II subject's supervisor.

iv. Waste of space

There is a waste of space for supervisor to keep students' submission in hardcopy.

1.3 Objectives

 To overcome time consuming problem, ease and secure submission of progress reports and logbook by online.

Through the WMSPS, students in current active batch taking Workshop II subject can login to WMS to upload their progress reports and logbook. Supervisor can download student's submitted progress reports and logbook from system.

ii. To overcome cost consuming problem

Through the WMSPS, students can resubmit their progress report to system whenever they do any changes in their progress report or logbook.

iii. To provide a glance of view of student submission's status

Administrator can view statistical report which show overall submission status of Workshop II's students in table and chart form. Students can view their submission status and supervisor can view submission's status of their students.

iv. To create a paperless environment.

Supervisor receives student's progress reports in softcopy rather than hardcopy.

1.4 Scope

WMSPS is a web based application that manages student's progress reports and logbooks submission by online. Progress Submission Module provides several functions for students, lecturers and administrators. The functions provided are as below:

i. Batch

Administrator can create and active batch so that only students in current active batch taking Workshop II subject are allowed to login to WMSPS.

ii. Submission

Administrator can create, update and delete submission types for current active batch. Delete of submission types is not allowed if the submission types contained student's submission. Students can login to WMSPS to upload progress reports and logbook. Students and supervisor can also download progress reports and logbook that have been submitted. Furthermore, students can always check their submission status while supervisor can check their student's submission status. Submission status is denotes by the colour of the button. Red colour button denotes not submit while green colour button denotes submitted.

iii. Report

Administrator can view statistical report which shows overall submission status of students in charts and table form. Moreover, administrator can view list of students who have submitted report and who have not submit report yet.

iv. Remainder

Administrator can email to students who have not submit reports or logbook in order to remind them to submit.

1.5 Project Significance

WMSPS is necessary because it possesses some important benefits:

i. Ease and secure the process of submission progress report and logbook.

By having WMSPS, student can submit progress report and logbook by just upload them to the system. Submission status can be check to ensure the progress report and logbooks uploaded have been received by the system. Besides that, students and lecturer can always download the progress report and logbook that have been submitted.

ii. Time and cost saving

Student can submit their progress report and logbook by upload them to system. Student does not need to spend time and money to print their progress report and logbook.

iii. Enable administrator to view the overall submission's status.

Administrator can view statistical report which shows the summary of overall submission's status of students in bar chart and table form. In addition, administrator is able to know who have submit and who have not submit their progress reports and send email to those who have no submitted.

1.6 Expected Output

A web-based application that enable administrator to create and activate batch in order to create, update or delete submission types for current active batch. Students in current active batch is able to login to the WMSPS to upload progress report and logbook, view submission's status and download progress submission and logbook submitted. In other hand, supervisor can download progress reports and logbooks submitted by students and view their student's submission status. Administrator can view the overall submission status and send email to those who have not submit progress reports or logbook.

1.7 Conclusion

In this chapter, project background, problems that occurred with current submission process of progress reports and logbook for Workshop II subject, objective, scope, project significance, expected output of this project has been discussed. In order to solve the problems exist in current submission process of progress report and logbook, WMSPS is proposed. WMSPS enables submission of progress report and logbook to be done by online and submission status can be checked at anytime.

Next chapter is concentrate on the literature review and project methodology. It discusses facts and findings that are related to the project. Besides, it also describes an existing system which has been used as a reference in developing WMSPS. Methodology that is going to be used in develops the WMSPS together with requirement for software, hardware, and network will be described. Project schedule and milestone will also be included in it.