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**UCDW Course Enrollment User Guide** 

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Overview of Course Enrollment

UCDW-Course Enrollment data warehouse stores data on all courses the students engage in during the academic year – both 3<sup>rd</sup> week and end of term in fall, winter, spring and summer terms. UC's Course Enrollment data is consolidated into one enterprise-wide system which will help improve accuracy, timeliness, flexibility, reporting of course enrollment data and also provides system-wide reporting data for course enrollments across all 10 UC campuses. The data in UCDW-Course Enrollment is dependent on the submission of campus 3<sup>rd</sup> week, end of term, and summer course enrollment files.

#### 1.2 STUDENT PRIVACY

Personally identifiable information for education records includes direct identifiers, such as a student's name or identification number, indirect identifiers, such as a student's date of birth, or other information which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity either directly or indirectly through linkages with other student information.

Please remember that student data is covered under UC's privacy policy and FERPA. UCDW users will be required to adhere to all Federal, State and local statutes, regulations, and other requirements pertaining to the security, confidentiality, and privacy of data provided by UCOP including, but not limited to, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the California Information Practices Act, and the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.

Proper security rules will be enforced and access will be restricted only to qualified users and permissions will be appropriately assigned based on user-access groups.

#### 1.3 How Course Enrollment Data in UCDW Is Stored?

All 10 UC campuses submit course enrollment data to UCOP according to the file specifications and the file submission deadline. Berkeley and Merced are on the semester system whereas all other campuses are on the quarter system. Berkeley and Merced do not submit files for the winter quarter cycle.

	Fall		Winter		Spring		Summer	
	3WK	EOT	3WK	EOT	3WK	EOT	3WK	EOT
Berkeley	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
San Francisco	Υ	N	Υ	N	Υ	N	N	N
Davis	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Los Angeles	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Riverside	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
San Diego	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Santa Cruz	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Santa Barbara	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Irvine	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
Merced	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ

Table 1: Course Enrollment files from UC campuses

File specifications and the file submission deadline for course enrollment data are available in this link.

UCOP-UCDW infrastructure stores information in three layers-stage, base and business intelligence (BI).

All 10 campuses' course enrollment related data is first stored in staging layer which is a parking lot for all the campus course enrollment data. Staging data is transformed if necessary and stored in base layer. Staging and base data is validated and certified by data stewards in IRAP and then stored in BI layer. Canned reports for business use are generated from BI layer data.

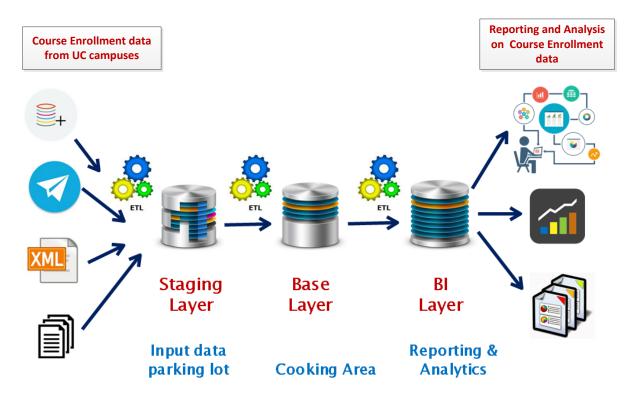


Figure 1: Three-Tier UCDW architecture

For analyses, analytical and reporting purposes, business users use data in BI layer. BI layer data is stored in a star schema relational database design, one of the styles of dimensional data modelling. Star schema provides important benefits to the user: improved understandability of the data, performance and enhanced reporting capability. Star schema consists of one or more fact tables referencing any number of dimension tables.

When thinking about data and the way it is analyzed, the fact tables provides measurements and the dimension tables provide context. For example, in a data report the dimension tables supply the values for the row and column headings as well as the constraint filters and grouping capabilities. The fact table supplies the measures, or what is being counted.

Refer to sections 3.1 and 3.2 for details on the fact and dimension tables in UCDW- Course Enrollment.

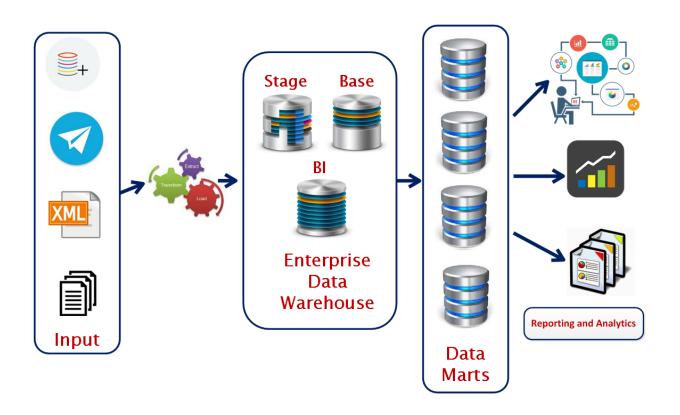


Figure 2: Current UCDW Infrastructure

#### 1.4 IMPORTANT POINTS TO KNOW WHEN USING UCDW COURSE ENROLLMENT

- i. 3<sup>rd</sup> week and EOT course enrollment data for fall, winter, spring and summer terms from applicable UC campuses are stored in course enrollment star.
- ii. For a given term (summer, fall, winter, spring) and sub-term (3WK, EOT), enrollment data should be loaded into enrollment star before course enrollment star can be populated.
- iii. Do's and Don'ts on querying UCDW is available via this <u>link</u>.

# 2. Accessing UCDW Course Enrollment

The following are the different ways to access UCDW Course Enrollment data:

- i. UCDW Course Enrollment data can be accessed using the SQL case tool, Db Visualizer.
   Instructions on how to connect to UCDW through the tool are available via this <u>link</u>.
- ii. Canned and validation reports generated from UCDW Course Enrollment are available in Cognos. Instructions on how to connect to Cognos and access reports are available under 'UCDW and Cognos' section on 'How-To's' in 'Support & Training' tab of Data Operations Hub. It can be accessed via this <u>link</u>.

- iii. UCDW Course Enrollment data can be accessed via Tableau. Instructions on how to connect to UCDW through Tableau are available under '*UCDW and Tableau*' section on 'How-To's' in 'Support & Training' tab of Data Operations Hub. It can be accessed via this <u>link</u>.
- iv. UCDW Course Enrollment data can also be accessed using other data analysis and mining tools such as SAS.

#### 3. UCDW COURSE ENROLLMENT TABLES GUIDE

#### **3.1 UCDW COURSE ENROLLMENT STAR**

Course Enrollment star has Course Enrollment Fact table and many dimension tables. These tables are stored in STUD BI schema of uc dss database in the production server.

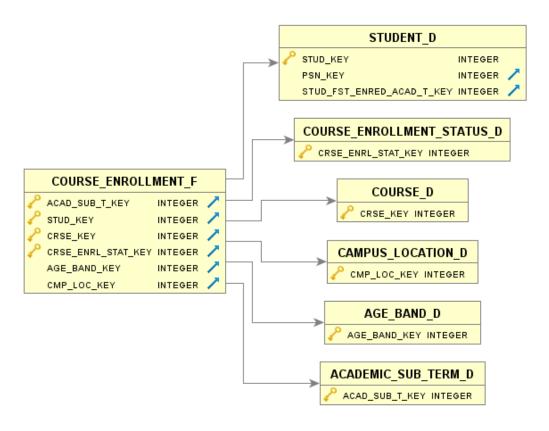


Figure 3: Fact and dimension tables in UCDW Student Enrollment Star

Note the fact tables are suffixed with \_F and dimension tables are suffixed with \_D.

## 3.2 DETAILS ON FACT AND DIMENSION TABLES IN UCDW COURSE ENROLLMENT

#### 3.2.1 COURSE ENROLLMENT F

<u>Description:</u> Course Enrollment fact table tracks course enrollments reported by campuses in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week and end of term (EOT).

<u>Grain (lowest level at which data is captured):</u> One row per student, per academic sub term (3WK or EOT) in a given year for each combination of course and the course enrollment status (P, N, C, R, V or W).

<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the fact table is a composite key made up of foreign keys to its dimension tables. Combination of ACAD\_SUB\_T\_KEY, STUD\_KEY, CRSE\_KEY, and CRSE\_ENRL\_STAT\_KEY is primary key to COURSE\_ENROLLMENT\_F table.

#### 3.2.2 STUDENT\_D

<u>Description:</u> Student dimension contains a record for each student that has enrolled or has been awarded a degree.

Student dimension is a conformed dimension that is shared within Student subject area. Also, this dimension is Slowly Changing Dimension (SCD) type 2 i.e., it contains complete history of changes in different attributes stored for a student.

<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the dimension table is a system generated key to uniquely identify a row in a dimension table. STUD\_KEY is the primary key for STUDENT\_D table.

<u>Natural Key:</u> This is a type of unique key which is formed of attributes within real data. Combination of Student location campus code (STUD\_LOC\_CMP\_CD) and Student id (STUD\_ID) is the natural key in STUDENT\_D table.

#### 3.2.3 CAMPUS\_LOCATION\_D

<u>Description:</u> Campus Location dimension identifies the 10 UC campuses.

Campus Location dimension is a conformed dimension that is shared across multiple subject areas. Also, this dimension is SCD type 2 i.e., it contains complete history of changes in different attributes stored for a campus.

<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the dimension table is a system generated key to uniquely identify a row in a dimension table. CMP\_LOC\_KEY is the primary key for CAMPUS\_LOCATION\_D table.

Natural Key: N/A

#### 3.2.4 COURSE\_ENROLLMENT\_STATUS\_D

<u>Description:</u> This dimension holds various miscellaneous codes related to registration status of the courses enrolled by the students.

Course Enrollment Status dimension is used in course enrollment subject area. Also, this dimension is SCD type 1 i.e., the new information overwrites the original information. No history is kept.

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<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the dimension table is a system generated key to uniquely identify a row in a dimension table. CRSE\_ENRL\_STAT\_KEY is the primary key for COURSE\_ENROLLMENT\_STATUS\_D table.

Natural Key: N/A

#### 3.2.5 AGE\_BAND\_D

<u>Description:</u> This dimension contains the age ranges required for banding students by age.

Age Band dimension is a conformed dimension that is shared across multiple subject areas. Also, this dimension is SCD type 1 i.e., the new information overwrites the original information. No history is kept.

<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the dimension table is a system generated key to uniquely identify a row in a dimension table. AGE\_BAND\_KEY is the primary key for AGE\_BAND\_D table.

Natural Key: N/A

#### 3.2.6 ACADEMIC\_SUB\_TERM\_D

<u>Description:</u> Academic Sub-Term dimension is the master table for all academic term-related conforming dimensions. It identifies the 3<sup>rd</sup> week and end-of-term of an academic term in each calendar and academic year. The grain is one record per sub-term (3<sup>rd</sup> week or EOT)

Academic Sub Term dimension is a conformed dimension that is shared within Student subject area. Also, this dimension is SCD type 1 i.e., the new information overwrites the original information. No history is kept.

<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the dimension table is a system generated key to uniquely identify a row in a dimension table. ACAD\_SUB\_T\_KEY is the primary key for ACADEMIC\_SUB\_TERM\_D table.

Natural Key: N/A

#### 3.2.7 COURSE\_D

Description: Course dimension contains information about all types of courses offered by UC campuses.

Course dimension is used in course enrollment subject area. Also, this dimension is SCD Type 2 i.e., it contains complete history of changes in different attributes stored in this dimension.

<u>Primary Key:</u> Primary key of the dimension table is a system generated key to uniquely identify a row in a dimension table. CRSE\_KEY is the primary key for COURSE\_D table.

Natural Key: N/A

#### 3.3 DATAMART IN UCDW STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Data marts are easily accessible by business users, because they don't require queries that are too complicated or resource-consuming. Currently, there is no data mart for course enrollment in UCDW.

## **3.4 MQTS IN UCDW STUDENT ENROLLMENT**

A Materialized query table (MQT) is a table whose definition is based upon the result of a query. The data that is contained in a MQT is derived from one or more tables on which the materialized query table definition is based.

MQTs are materialized views. Both views and MQTs are defined on the basis of a query. The query on which a view is based is run whenever the view is referenced; however, an MQT actually stores the query results as data, and you can work with the data that is in the MQT instead of the data that is in the underlying tables. Currently, UCDW Course Enrollment does not have MQTs.

## 4. Sample Queries

Below are few sample queries to use course enrollment star.

#### **Example:**

Query to see count of students enrolled in MATH courses in fall 3rd week of academic year 2015.

#### Sample SQL:

```
select
        t.ACAD SUB T ACAD YR,
        t.ACAD SUB T NAM,
        t.ACAD SUB T REC TY,
        1.CMP_LOC_LOC1_SHRT_DESC,
        c.CRSE_DEPT_CD,
        COUNT (*) AS COUNT
from STUD_BI.COURSE_ENROLLMENT_F f
inner join STUD_BI.ACADEMIC_SUB_TERM_D t
      on f.ACAD_SUB_T_KEY = t.ACAD_SUB_T_KEY
inner join STUD BI.CAMPUS LOCATION D 1
     on f.CMP_LOC_KEY = 1.CMP_LOC_KEY
inner join STUD_BI.COURSE_D c
     on f.CRSE_KEY = c.CRSE_KEY
inner join STUD BI.COURSE ENROLLMENT STATUS D ces
     on f.CRSE_ENRL_STAT_KEY = ces.CRSE_ENRL_STAT_KEY
inner join STUD_BI.AGE_BAND_D a
      on f.AGE_BAND_KEY = a.AGE_BAND_KEY
where t.ACAD_SUB_T_ACAD_YR = 2015
and t.ACAD SUB T NAM = 'Fall'
and
     t.ACAD SUB T REC TY = '3WK'
and
     UPPER(CRSE DEPT CD) = 'MATH'
and
     ces.CRSE_ENRL_STAT_DESC = 'Enrolled'
group by
        t.ACAD_SUB_T_ACAD_YR,
```

```
t.ACAD_SUB_T_NAM,
t.ACAD_SUB_T_REC_TY,
l.CMP_LOC_LOC1_SHRT_DESC,
c.CRSE_DEPT_CD

order by

t.ACAD_SUB_T_ACAD_YR,
t.ACAD_SUB_T_NAM,
t.ACAD_SUB_T_REC_TY,
l.CMP_LOC_LOC1_SHRT_DESC,
c.CRSE_DEPT_CD

for read only with ur;
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*	ACAD_SUB_T_ACAD_YR	ACAD_SUB_T_NAM	ACAD_SUB_T_REC_TY	CMP_LOC_LOC1_SHRT_DESC	CRSE_DEPT_CD	COUNT
1	2015	Fall	3WK	UCB	MATH	9061
2	2015	Fall	3WK	UCD	MATH	7843
3	2015	Fall	3WK	UCI	MATH	6270
4	2015	Fall	3WK	UCLA	MATH	8824
5	2015	Fall	3WK	UCM	MATH	333
6	2015	Fall	3WK	UCR	MATH	4971
7	2015	Fall	3WK	UCSB	MATH	4832
8	2015	Fall	3WK	UCSC	MATH	3925
9	2015	Fall	3WK	UCSD	MATH	10941

More sample queries on UCDW Course Enrollment are available in JIRA-IRAP Code Library Project. Use this link to access JIRA-IRAP Code Library:

https://ucicdwrequirements.atlassian.net/issues/?jql=project%20%3D%20ICL%20AND%20resolution%2 0%3D%20Unresolved%20ORDER%20BY%20key%20ASC%2C%20priority%20DESC%2C%20updated%20DE SC

## 5. TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

#	ACRONYM	MEANING		
1	UCDW	University of California Data Warehouse		
2 MQT Materialized		Materialized Query Table		
3 FERPA Family Ed		Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act		
4	UC	University of California		
5	UCOP	University of California Office of the President		
6	MQT	Materialized Query Table		
7	BI	Business Intelligence		
8 EOT End of Term		End of Term		
9	3WK	Third Week		
10	SAS	Statistical Analysis System		
11	SCD	Slowly Changing Dimension		
12	SQL	Structured Query Language		

Table 2: Glossary