Web Applications

What is a web application?
A web application is a client-server computer program or software that runs on a web server and is accessed through a web browser. Examples of web applications that are utilized commonly include web-mail, online banking, and online retail sales.

Benefits
- No hard drive installations mean web apps don’t cause too many space limitations.
- If there are no browser compatibility issues, web apps are capable of running on multiple platforms.
- Web apps are accessible anywhere that has a web browser.
- Since information is stored on remote services, web apps offer high levels of security.
- Completely flexible and scalable to a business’s growth and demands.

How do web applications work?

1. An HTTP GET request is created and sent to the Web Server in order to fetch data using the base URL.
2. The Web Server detects and forwards the dynamic request to the Web Application where the request will be processed.
3. The Web Application processes request and retrieves the required information from the database.
4. An HTML page is generated by the Web Application with the data from the Database inside the placeholders of an HTML template.
5. The generated HTML is returned by the Web Application through the Web Server along with an HTTP status code.
6. The returned HTML is processed by the Web Browser and sends requests for static files that are referenced, such as images, CSS and JavaScript.
7. The static files are loaded by the Web Server from a file system and are returned to the browser.

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/Server-side/First_steps/Client-Server_overview
Career Information

There are many career opportunities in South Florida for developing web applications and tech companies are actively seeking highly-skilled and energetic Web Developers. The three types of Web Developers include Front-End Developers, Back-End Developers, and Full-Stack Developers.

A Day in the Life of a Web Developer

- Build user interfaces and prototypes from wireframes and designs
- Build products using HTML/CSS/JS
- Code and deploy applications in a cross-platform, cross-browser environment
- Update current websites to meet modern web standards

FAU Courses

- COP 3813 - Introduction to Internet Computing
- COP 4814 - Web Services
- COP 4331 - Object Oriented Design and Programming
- COP 4854 - Cutting-Edge Web Technologies
- COP 6819 – Advanced Internet Systems

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