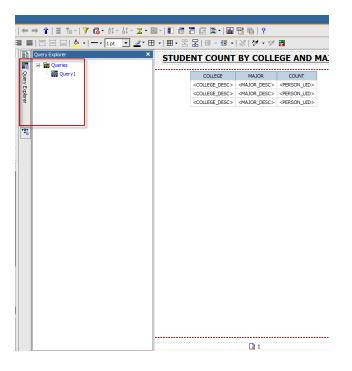


Joins - Introduction

Using **Joins** in Cognos allows the user to specify the relationship between the query subjects within Cognos and override the relationships set up in the package model. An example of this is the use of outer joins. In many cases, the package uses inner joins, but you may want to include records that do not have a specific field. If the package uses an inner join, you must create a join within Report Studio to override the package relationship.

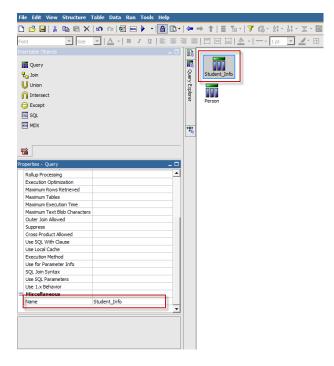
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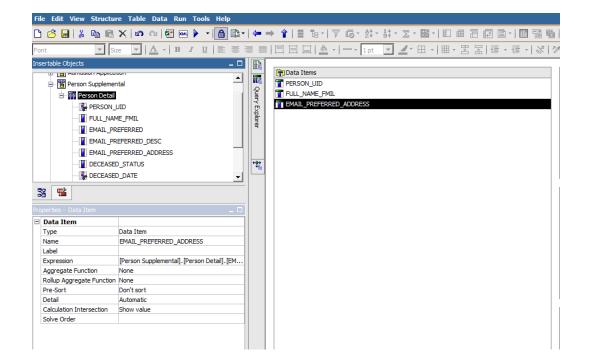
- 1. Place your cursor on the Query Explorer
- 2. Select Queries

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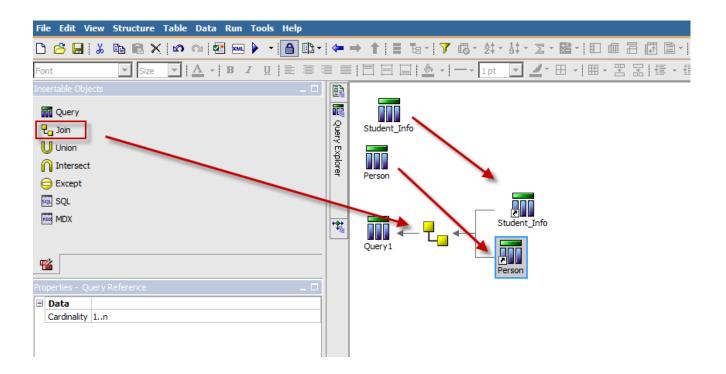
- 3. Insert a new Query (will default to Query2)
- 4. Scroll down the Properties Pane to change the Name to 'Person'



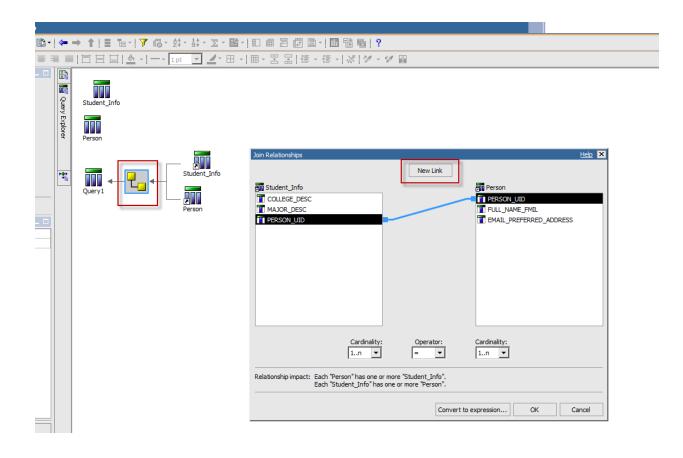
- 5. Select Query1
- 6. Scroll down the Properties Pane to change the Name to 'Student_Info'



- 7. Double click on the Query Item Person
- 8. From the Person Detail Query Subject insert:
 - a. Person_UID
 - b. Full_Name_FMIL
 - c. Email_Preferred_Address
- 9. Insert the Pre-Defined Filter Admit Select
- 10. Create a Filter using Academic_Period (= '201280')
- 11. Double click on the Query Item Student_Info
- 12. From the Admissions Application Query Subject insert:
 - a. Person_UID
 - b. College_Desc
 - c. Major_Desc



- 13. Return to the Queries Page
- 14. From the Insertable Objects Pane, insert a Join *below* the existing query items
- 15. Drag Student_Info to the top cell
- 16. Drag Person to the bottom cell

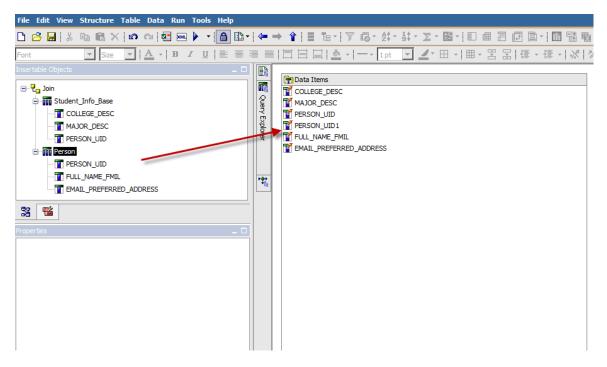


- 17. Double click on the Join \Box icon
- 18. The Joins Relationships window will open
- 19. Select New Link
- 20. Join Student_Info PERSON_UID to Person PERSON_UID

NOTE: The Cardinality on the right is typically 0..n or 1..n - An Inner Join would return all rows from multiple tables where the join condition is met and Outer Join would return all rows even if the join condition does not find any matching record.

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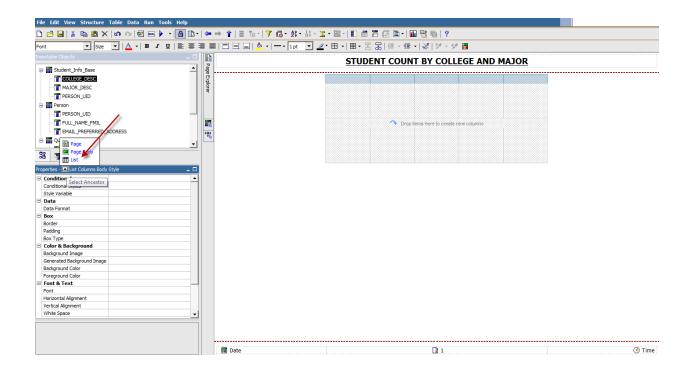
- 21. Select the Query Item Student_Info
- 22. Rename to Student_Info_Base



- 23. Go to the Query Explorer
- 24. Open Query1
- 25. Insert all items from the Data Items tab into the Data Items Pane

Report Page

This section steps you through creating the Report Page.



- 1. Expand the Page Explorer
- 2. Select Page 1
- 3. Highlight the Work Area
- 4. Select List from the Properties Pane Ancestor
- 5. Select List from the Pull-down list

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- 7. Select the Data Items tab
- 8. Insert Data Items into work area ONLY use from Query1
- 9. Format your report
- 10. Run to test