

## **Basic Task Management REST API**

### **REST Concepts Implemented**

This API follows RESTful design principles:

- **Statelessness:** Each request includes all required information.
- **Resource-based URLs:** /tasks represents the task collection.
- **HTTP Methods:** GET (retrieve), POST (create), PUT (update), DELETE (remove).
- **JSON Format:** Consistent data exchange in JSON via jsonify.
- **Status Codes:** Proper use of HTTP response codes (200, 201, 400, 404, 500).

### **API Design Highlights**

- **Unique Identifiers:** Tasks are identified using UUIDs.
- **Timestamps:** Each task tracks created\_at and updated\_at.
- **Input Validation:** Enforces required fields and valid status values.
- **Error Handling:** Provides structured error responses with success flags.
- **Filtering:** Query parameters enable status-based filtering.
- **Documentation:** Self-documenting endpoints with API info.

### **Quick Start**

```
pip install flask  
python restapi_IMT2023540.py
```

Access API at: <http://localhost:5000>

## **API Demonstration & Testing**

API Server Status Flask server is running on <http://localhost:5000>

Available Endpoints

1) Check API Root Info

```
curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/
```

Purpose: Get API documentation and available endpoints

2) Health Check

```
curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/status
```

Purpose: Check if the API server is running properly

3) Fetch All Tasks

```
curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
```

Purpose: Retrieve all tasks in the system

4) Fetch Task by ID

```
curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks/<task_id>
```

Purpose: Retrieve a specific task by its unique ID

5) Create New Task

```
curl -X POST http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks \
```

```
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
```

```
-d '{"name": "Read REST API paper", "details": "Understand RESTful constraints", "state": "pending"}'
```

Purpose: Create a new task (title is required, description and status are optional)

#### 6) Update Task

```
curl -X PUT http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks/<task_id> \
```

```
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
```

```
-d '{"name": "Updated Task Name", "state": "completed"}'
```

Purpose: Update an existing task (all fields are optional)

#### 7) Delete a Task

```
curl -X DELETE http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks/<task_id>
```

Purpose: Delete a specific task by its ID

#### 8) Delete all Tasks

```
curl -X DELETE http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
```

Purpose: Delete all tasks (bonus endpoint)

Get and health:

```
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/
{
  "meta": {
    "allowed_states": [
      "pending",
      "in_progress",
      "completed"
    ],
    "api": "Task Handling API",
    "available": 2,
    "version": "1.0"
  },
  "ok": true,
  "routes": {
    "DELETE /tasks": "Remove all tasks",
    "DELETE /tasks/<task_id>": "Remove a task",
    "GET /status": "API health status",
    "GET /tasks": "Fetch all tasks (filter with ?state=)",
    "GET /tasks/<task_id>": "Fetch one task",
    "POST /tasks": "Add a new task",
    "PUT /tasks/<task_id>": "Modify an existing task"
  }
}
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/status
{
  "ok": true,
  "server_status": "running",
  "task_count": 2,
  "time": "2025-09-30T12:37:28.943642"
}
```

All tasks and task by id:

```
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
{
  "items": [
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
      "details": "Write Flask REST API with CRUD endpoints",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
      "name": "Finish API homework",
      "state": "in_progress",
      "task_id": "5785781a-3372-43ab-a1c2-1a6d38c66d18"
    },
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T09:00:00",
      "details": "Revise Flask, REST fundamentals",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T09:00:00",
      "name": "Prepare for SE exam",
      "state": "pending",
      "task_id": "5b214fb6-f481-4cd1-8808-5dc546d7c403"
    }
  ],
  "ok": true,
  "total": 2
}
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks/
\5785781a-3372-43ab-a1c2-1a6d38c66d18
{
  "ok": true,
  "task": {
    "created": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
    "details": "Write Flask REST API with CRUD endpoints",
    "modified": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
    "name": "Finish API homework",
    "state": "in_progress",
    "task_id": "5785781a-3372-43ab-a1c2-1a6d38c66d18"
  }
}
```

Create and update task:

```
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~ ➤ curl -X POST http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{"name": "Read REST API paper", "details": "Understand RESTful constraints", "state": "pending"}'

{
  "ok": true,
  "task": {
    "created": "2025-09-30T12:41:20.840655",
    "details": "Understand RESTful constraints",
    "modified": "2025-09-30T12:41:20.840655",
    "name": "Read REST API paper",
    "state": "pending",
    "task_id": "e36325bb-5b50-45ff-b2fd-94d8011122de"
  }
}
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~ ➤ curl -X PUT http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks/
e36325bb-5b50-45ff-b2fd-94d8011122de \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-d '{"name": "Updated Task Name", "state": "completed"}'

{
  "ok": true,
  "task": {
    "created": "2025-09-30T12:41:20.840655",
    "details": "Understand RESTful constraints",
    "modified": "2025-09-30T12:41:44.487496",
    "name": "Updated Task Name",
    "state": "completed",
    "task_id": "e36325bb-5b50-45ff-b2fd-94d8011122de"
  }
}
```

Check if the task is actually added and then test delete:

```
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
{
  "items": [
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
      "details": "Write Flask REST API with CRUD endpoints",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
      "name": "Finish API homework",
      "state": "in_progress",
      "task_id": "5785781a-3372-43ab-a1c2-1a6d38c66d18"
    },
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T09:00:00",
      "details": "Revise Flask, REST fundamentals",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T09:00:00",
      "name": "Prepare for SE exam",
      "state": "pending",
      "task_id": "5b214fb6-f481-4cd1-8808-5dc546d7c403"
    },
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T12:40:57.369360",
      "details": "Understand RESTful constraints",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T12:40:57.369360",
      "name": "Read REST API paper",
      "state": "pending",
      "task_id": "b3934607-8259-459e-bdbb-647f844bb1dc"
    },
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T12:41:20.840655",
      "details": "Understand RESTful constraints",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T12:41:44.487496",
      "name": "Updated Task Name",
      "state": "completed",
      "task_id": "e36325bb-5b50-45ff-b2fd-94d8011122de"
    }
  ],
  "ok": true,
  "total": 4
}
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X DELETE http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks/\b3934607-8259-459e-bdbb-647f844bb1dc
{
  "deleted": "b3934607-8259-459e-bdbb-647f844bb1dc",
  "ok": true
}
```

Check if the task is deleted and then delete all:

```
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
{
  "items": [
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
      "details": "Write Flask REST API with CRUD endpoints",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T10:00:00",
      "name": "Finish API homework",
      "state": "in_progress",
      "task_id": "5785781a-3372-43ab-a1c2-1a6d38c66d18"
    },
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T09:00:00",
      "details": "Revise Flask, REST fundamentals",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T09:00:00",
      "name": "Prepare for SE exam",
      "state": "pending",
      "task_id": "5b214fb6-f481-4cd1-8808-5dc546d7c403"
    },
    {
      "created": "2025-09-30T12:41:20.840655",
      "details": "Understand RESTful constraints",
      "modified": "2025-09-30T12:41:44.487496",
      "name": "Updated Task Name",
      "state": "completed",
      "task_id": "e36325bb-5b50-45ff-b2fd-94d8011122de"
    }
  ],
  "ok": true,
  "total": 3
}
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X DELETE http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
{
  "ok": true,
  "removed_count": 3
}
(myenv) ansh@DESKTOP-H9HJ01T ~$ curl -X GET http://127.0.0.1:5000/tasks
{
  "items": [],
  "ok": true,
  "total": 0
}
```