

# LAB ACTIVITY 4(i): Writing Functions In Python



## Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this laboratory session, you should be able to:

1. Display the use of parameters in functions
2. Construct Python function for returning result using return statement

## Activity 4A

Activity Outcome: Creating and calling a simple function

Procedure:

**Step 1:** Open Code editor and type the code based on the following code :

```
1 #Python function to sum all the numbers.
2 num1 = 12;
3 num2 = 23;
4
5 def sum():
6     total= num1+num2
7     print ("Total numbers : ", total)
8
9 sum()
```

**Step 2:** Save, compile and run the program. Save the program as Act4A.py. Display the output in the area below.

**Output:**

```
Total numbers : 35
```

## Activity 4B

Activity Outcome: Creating and calling a simple function with a return value.

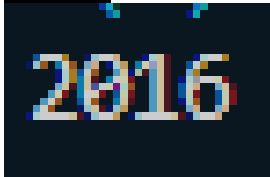
Procedure:

**Step 1:** Open code editor and type the following code:

```
1 #Python function to multiply all the numbers in a list
2
3 num = [8, 2, 3, 6, 7]
4
5 def multiply(num):
6     total = 1
7     for x in num:
8         total *= x
9     return total
10
11 print(multiply(num))
```

**Step 2:** Save, compile and run the program. Save the program as `Act4B.py`. Display the output in the area below.

**Output:**



## Activity 4C

Activity Outcome : Construct a simple function with a return value.

### Procedures:

**Step 1:** Open code editor and type the following code:

```
1 #program to calculate area of rectangle
2 #get input from user
3 width = input("Please input width:")
4 height = input("Please input height:")
5 width = int(width)
6 height = int(height)
7
8 #function to calculate area
9 def calculateArea():|
10     area = width * height
11     return area
12
13 #display output
14 print ("Width :", width)
15 print ("Height:", height)
16 print ("Area of rectangle:", calculateArea())
```

**Step 2:** Save, compile, and run the program. Save the program as Act4C.py. Display the output in the area below.

### Output:

```
Please input width:50
Please input height:30
Width : 50
Height : 30
Area of rectangle: 1500
```

## Activity 4D

Activity Outcome: Display the use of parameters in functions

Procedures:

**Step 1:** Open code editor and type the following code:

```
1 #function that have parameters
2 def my_function(fname, lname):
3     print(fname + " " + lname)
4
5 my_function("Naruto", "Shipuden")
```

**Step 2:** Save, compile and run the program. Save the program as `Act4D.py`. Display the output in the area below..

**Output:**



Naruto Shipuden

## Activity 4E

Activity Outcome : Display the use of parameters in functions

Procedures:

**Step 1:** Open code editor and type the following code:

```
1 def getLastStringCharacter(s):
2     l = len(s) # get string length
3     return s[l-1] # get last character of the string
4
5 i = input('Insert a string: ')
6 print("Last character is ", getLastStringCharacter(i)) # call function
```

**Step 2:** Save, compile and run the program. Save the program as `Act4E.py`. Display the output in the area below..

**Output:**

```
Insert a string:pibeday
Last character is y
```