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RAG Service API Guide

This guide explains how to use the RAG service API endpoints for document ingestion and querying.

Base URL

```
http://localhost:8000
```

For production, replace with your deployed service URL.



Ingestion Endpoint

POST /ingest

Ingest documents (PDF, DOCX, TXT, or video files) into the RAG system.

Request Format

This endpoint accepts **multipart/form-data** with the following fields:

| Field | Type | Required | Description |
|-------------|--------|----------|--|
| file | File | ✔ Yes | The file to ingest (PDF, DOCX, TXT, MP4) |
| course_id | String | ✔ Yes | Course identifier for multi-tenancy |
| module_id | String | ✔ Yes | Module identifier within the course |
| source_type | String | ✔ Yes | Source type: pdf, docx, txt, video, or notes |
| video_id | String | ✘ No | Video ID (required if source_type is video) |
| notes_id | String | ✘ No | Notes ID (required if source_type is notes) |

Example: cURL

```
# Ingest a PDF file
```

```
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/ingest" \  
  
  -F "course_id=DL101" \  
  
  -F "module_id=M03" \  
  
  -F "source_type=pdf" \  
  
  -F "file=@lecture_notes.pdf"
```

Ingest a video file

```
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/ingest" \  
  
  -F "course_id=DL101" \  
  
  -F "module_id=M02" \  
  
  -F "source_type=video" \  
  
  -F "video_id=video_123" \  
  
  -F "file=@lecture_video.mp4"
```

Example: JavaScript (Fetch API)

```
const formData = new FormData();  
  
formData.append('file', fileInput.files[0]);  
  
formData.append('course_id', 'DL101');  
  
formData.append('module_id', 'M03');  
  
formData.append('source_type', 'pdf');  
  
const response = await fetch('http://localhost:8000/ingest', {  
  
  method: 'POST',  
  
  body: formData
```

```
});

const result = await response.json();

console.log(result);
```

Example: Python (Requests)

```
import requests

files = {'file': open('lecture_notes.pdf', 'rb')}

data = {

    'course_id': 'DL101',

    'module_id': 'M03',

    'source_type': 'pdf'

}

response = requests.post('http://localhost:8000/ingest', files=files,
data=data)

print(response.json())
```

Response

```
{

  "job_id": "550e8400-e29b-41d4-a716-446655440000",

  "status": "completed",

  "message": "Successfully ingested 15 chunks",

  "chunks_count": 15
```

```
}
```

Response Fields:

- `job_id` : Unique identifier for the ingestion job
- `status` : Job status (`queued` , `processing` , `completed` , or `failed`)
- `message` : Human-readable status message
- `chunks_count` : Number of text chunks created (only present for completed jobs)

Query Endpoint

POST /query

Query the RAG system with optional filtering by course and module.

Request Format

This endpoint accepts **JSON** payload:

| Field | Type | Required | Default | Description |
|-------|------|----------|---------|-------------|
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|--------------------|--------|---|---|---------------------|
| <code>query</code> | String | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | - | The question to ask |
|--------------------|--------|---|---|---------------------|

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|------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|
| <code>course_id</code> | String | <input type="checkbox"/> No | null | Filter results by specific course |
|------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|

| | | | | |
|------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|
| <code>module_id</code> | String | <input type="checkbox"/> No | null | Filter results by specific module |
|------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|

| | | | | |
|--------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <code>top_k</code> | Integer | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 5 | Number of chunks to retrieve (1-100) |
|--------------------|---------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|

| | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|-------|---|
| <code>full_context</code> | Boolean | <input type="checkbox"/> No | false | If true, retrieve ALL chunks for the module |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|-------|---|

| | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| <code>include_sources</code> | Boolean | <input type="checkbox"/> No | true | If false, don't return source chunks |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|

Example: cURL

```
# Basic query

curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/query" \

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

  -d '{
```

```
    "query": "Explain the attention mechanism in transformers"
  }'

# Query with course and module filtering

curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/query" \

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

  -d '{

    "query": "Explain the attention mechanism",

    "course_id": "DL101",

    "module_id": "M03",

    "top_k": 5

  }'
```

Example: JavaScript (Fetch API)

```
const queryData = {

  query: "Explain the attention mechanism in transformers",

  course_id: "DL101",

  module_id: "M03",

  top_k: 5

};

const response = await fetch('http://localhost:8000/query', {

  method: 'POST',

  headers: {
```

```
    'Content-Type': 'application/json'

    },

    body: JSON.stringify(queryData)

  });

const result = await response.json();

console.log(result);
```

Example: Python (Requests)

```
import requests

payload = {

    "query": "Explain the attention mechanism in transformers",

    "course_id": "DL101",

    "module_id": "M03",

    "top_k": 5

}

response = requests.post('http://localhost:8000/query', json=payload)

print(response.json())
```

Response

```
{

    "answer": "The attention mechanism allows the model to focus on different parts of the input sequence when generating each output token. It computes
```

```
attention scores...",

"sources": [

  {

    "chunk_id": "550e8400-e29b-41d4-a716-446655440000",

    "score": 0.89,

    "source_uri": "course/DL101/module/M03/lecture_notes.pdf",

    "source_type": "pdf",

    "text_preview": "Attention mechanism is a key component of transformer architecture...",

    "start_time_seconds": null,

    "end_time_seconds": null

  }

],

"debug": {

  "search_latency_ms": 45.2,

  "llm_latency_ms": 1234.5,

  "total_latency_ms": 1279.7,

  "chunks_retrieved": 5,

  "tokens_used": 450,

  "cache_hit": false

}

}
```

Response Fields:

- `answer` : The AI-generated answer based on retrieved context
- `sources` : List of source chunks used to generate the answer

- `chunk_id` : Unique identifier for the chunk
 - `score` : Relevance score (0-1, higher is better)
 - `source_uri` : Path/identifier of the source document
 - `source_type` : Type of source (`pdf` , `video` , `notes` , etc.)
 - `text_preview` : Preview of the chunk text (max 200 chars)
 - `start_time_seconds` / `end_time_seconds` : Time markers for video sources
 - `debug` : Performance and debugging information
 - `search_latency_ms` : Time to retrieve relevant chunks
 - `llm_latency_ms` : Time for LLM to generate answer
 - `total_latency_ms` : Total query processing time
 - `chunks_retrieved` : Number of chunks retrieved
 - `tokens_used` : Estimated tokens used by LLM
 - `cache_hit` : Whether the result was served from cache
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Health Check Endpoint

GET `/health`

Check the health status of the RAG service and its dependencies.

Example: cURL

```
curl http://localhost:8000/health
```

Response

```
{  
  
  "status": "healthy",  
  
  "version": "1.0.0",
```



```
"qdrant_connected": true,  
  
"redis_connected": true  
  
}
```

Interactive API Documentation

FastAPI provides interactive API documentation at:

- **Swagger UI:** <http://localhost:8000/docs>
- **ReDoc:** <http://localhost:8000/redoc>

These interfaces allow you to test the API endpoints directly from your browser.

Common Use Cases

1. Ingest Course Materials

```
# Ingest lecture PDF  
  
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/ingest" \  
  
  -F "course_id=CS101" \  
  
  -F "module_id=intro" \  
  
  -F "source_type=pdf" \  
  
  -F "file=@intro_lecture.pdf"  
  
  
# Ingest lecture video  
  
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/ingest" \  
  
  -F "course_id=CS101" \  
  
  -F "module_id=intro" \  
  
  -F "source_type=video" \  

```

```
-F "video_id=vid_001" \  
  
-F "file=@intro_video.mp4"
```

2. Query Entire Course

```
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/query" \  
  
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \  
  
-d '{  
  
  "query": "What are the main topics covered?",  
  
  "course_id": "CS101"  
  
}'
```

3. Query Specific Module

```
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/query" \  
  
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \  
  
-d '{  
  
  "query": "Explain the key concepts",  
  
  "course_id": "CS101",  
  
  "module_id": "intro",  
  
  "top_k": 10  
  
}'
```

4. Get Full Module Context

```
curl -X POST "http://localhost:8000/query" \  

```

```
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \  
  
-d '{  
  
    "query": "Summarize this module",  
  
    "course_id": "CS101",  
  
    "module_id": "intro",  
  
    "full_context": true,  
  
    "include_sources": false  
  
}'
```

Error Handling

The API returns standard HTTP status codes:

- 200 : Success
- 400 : Bad Request (invalid parameters)
- 422 : Validation Error (missing required fields)
- 500 : Internal Server Error

Error response example:

```
{  
  
    "detail": "Invalid source_type. Must be one of: ['pdf', 'docx', 'txt',  
    'video', 'notes']"  
  
}
```

Python Helper Functions

Here are reusable Python functions for common operations:

Ingest Notes (PDF, TXT, DOCX)

```
import requests

import os

import json


def ingest_notes(

    file_path: str,

    course_id: str,

    module_id: str,

    notes_id: str,

    base_url: str = "http://localhost:8000"

) -> dict:

    """

    Ingest a notes file (PDF, TXT, or DOCX) into the RAG system.

    Automatically detects file type from extension.

    """

    if not os.path.exists(file_path):

        raise FileNotFoundError(f"File not found: {file_path}")

    # Auto-detect source type from file extension

    _, ext = os.path.splitext(file_path)

    ext = ext.lower()

    ext_to_source_type = {".pdf": "pdf", ".txt": "txt", ".docx": "docx"}

    source_type = ext_to_source_type.get(ext)

    if not source_type:

        raise ValueError(f"Unsupported file type: {ext}")
```

```

with open(file_path, "rb") as f:

    files = {"file": (os.path.basename(file_path), f)}

    data = {

        "course_id": course_id,

        "module_id": module_id,

        "source_type": source_type,

        "notes_id": notes_id,

    }

    print(f"Ingesting {os.path.basename(file_path)}...")

    print(f"  Course ID: {course_id}")

    print(f"  Module ID: {module_id}")

    print(f"  Source Type: {source_type}")

    response = requests.post(f"{base_url}/ingest", files=files,
data=data)

    result = response.json()

    print(json.dumps(result, indent=2))

    return result

```

Usage

```

ingest_notes(

    file_path="lecture_notes.pdf",

    course_id="15",

    module_id="9",

    notes_id="4"

)

```

Ingest Video

```
import requests

import os

import json


def ingest_video(

    file_path: str,

    course_id: str,

    module_id: str,

    video_id: str,

    base_url: str = "http://localhost:8000"

) -> dict:

    """

    Ingest a video file into the RAG system.

    Extracts audio and transcribes automatically.

    """

    if not os.path.exists(file_path):

        raise FileNotFoundError(f"File not found: {file_path}")

    with open(file_path, "rb") as f:

        files = {"file": (os.path.basename(file_path), f)}

        data = {

            "course_id": course_id,

            "module_id": module_id,

            "source_type": "video",
```

```

        "video_id": video_id,

    }

    print(f"Ingesting {os.path.basename(file_path)}...")

    print(f"   Course ID: {course_id}")

    print(f"   Module ID: {module_id}")

    print(f"   Video ID: {video_id}")

    print("   (This may take a while for audio transcription...)")

    response = requests.post(f"{base_url}/ingest", files=files,
data=data)

    result = response.json()

    print(json.dumps(result, indent=2))

    return result

# Usage

ingest_video(

    file_path="lecture_video.mp4",

    course_id="15",

    module_id="7",

    video_id="6"

)

```

Query with Filters

```

import requests

import json

```

```

def query_rag(

    query: str,

    course_id: str = None,

    module_id: str = None,

    top_k: int = 10,

    full_context: bool = False,

    include_sources: bool = True,

    base_url: str = "http://localhost:8000"

) -> dict:

    """
    Query the RAG system with optional filtering.
    """

    payload = {

        "query": query,

        "top_k": top_k,

        "full_context": full_context,

        "include_sources": include_sources

    }

    if course_id:

        payload["course_id"] = course_id

    if module_id:

        payload["module_id"] = module_id

    response = requests.post(f"{base_url}/query", json=payload)

    result = response.json()

    print(json.dumps(result, indent=2))

```



```
return result
```

```
# Query specific course and module
```

```
query_rag(
```

```
    query="What are the percentage of Sinhalese and Indian Tamils in Sri Lanka?",
```

```
    course_id="15",
```

```
    module_id="7",
```

```
    top_k=10
```

```
)
```

```
# Query without module filter (entire course)
```

```
query_rag(
```

```
    query="Generate some questions on Sri Lanka?",
```

```
    course_id="15",
```

```
    top_k=10
```

```
)
```

```
# Get full context (all chunks) without source details in response
```

```
query_rag(
```

```
    query="Summarize the entire module",
```

```
    course_id="15",
```

```
    module_id="7",
```

```
    full_context=True,
```

```
    include_sources=False
```

)

Notes

- **Multi-tenancy:** Use `course_id` and `module_id` to organize content hierarchically
- **File Formats:** Supported formats include PDF, DOCX, TXT, and MP4 (video)
- **Video Processing:** For videos, transcripts are extracted and chunked automatically (may take several minutes)
- **Caching:** Query results are cached in Redis for improved performance
- **Filters:** Combine `course_id` and `module_id` filters for precise content retrieval
- **Full Context Mode:** Use `full_context=True` to retrieve all chunks from a module instead of top-k semantic search
- **Source Toggle:** Set `include_sources=False` when you only need the answer and not the source chunks (useful with `full_context`)