



Software Engineering Bootcamp

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Python Basics

Lecture - Housekeeping

- The use of disrespectful language is prohibited in the questions, this is a supportive, learning environment for all please engage accordingly.
- No question is daft or silly ask them!
- ☐ There are Q/A sessions at the end of the session, should you wish to ask any follow-up questions.
- □ For all non-academic questions, please submit a query: <u>www.hyperiondev.com/support</u>
- □ Report a safeguarding incident:
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Objective s

- Install the necessary software required for the boot camp
- 2. Print output to the terminal
- 3. Receive input from the users through the terminal
- 4. Working with different data types such as strings, integers, floats and booleans
- 5. Control the execution of code using conditional statements

Python

- Python is a powerful and versatile programming language highly regarded in the field of software engineering and data science.
- Clean and readable syntax, along with a vast ecosystem of libraries and frameworks.
- Has a wide range of applications such as building web applications, data analysis, scientific computing and automation.
- Strong community support.

Output

- We use output to communicate with our users.
- You get different types of output but we will focus on output to the terminal using python's built in print() function.
- Name of function is print
- Execute function by adding parentheses after function name
- We can add all the values we would like to print to the terminal inside the parentheses.

Input

- Input is how we receive data in our programs
- We will use a few different ways of getting input such as hard coding input, terminal input using the built-in input() function and external files.
- Hard coding is where we set the values for our program directly in our code instead of getting it from another source.
- Using input() we can execute Python's input function to receive input from the user through the terminal.
- Similar to print we can add values to the input function to print to the terminal before listening for user input.

Variables

- We use variables to store data for later use.
- We can give a variable a name and provide it a value to reference back to.
- E.g. my_variable = "Hello World"
- The variable my_variable now references back to the value "Hello World"
- Anywhere in my code I would like to use the value "Hello World" I can just use my_variable.

Data Types

- There are a bunch of data types in Python.
- We will focus on the more common types such as strings, integers, floats and booleans.
- Strings are a sequence of characters that we usually use to represent text.
- Integers and floats are numerical values and can be used to perform mathematical operations.
- Booleans are a binary data type that can be only True or False.

Conditional Statements

- We can control the execution of our code by only running certain parts of our code when a certain condition has been met.
- Conditions equate to either a True or False value that can be used within an if-statement and a while loop.
- Using conditions we can determines things such as if values are equal or not and bigger or smaller than each other.
- We can then add the code to execute when the condition is met inside the if-statement or while loop with the condition.

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Q & A Section

Please use this time to ask any questions relating to the topic explained, should you have any



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Thank you for joining us

Take regular breaks.
Stay hydrated.
Avoid prolonged screen time.
Remember to have fun:)

Some useful links

Python: https://www.python.org/downloads/

VS Code: https://code.visualstudio.com/download