

In VS Code, your folder should look like this:

```
project_python_dockerfile/
|__ hello.py
|__ Dockerfile
|__ docker-compose.yml
Open VS Code → Open Folder →
project_python_dockerfile
```

## Step 1: Create `first.py`

```
from flask import Flask

app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route("/")
def test_program():
    return """
        <p> Hello There </p>
        <p>Welcome to CMPT 353 Tutorials with
    Python!</p>
    """
```

## Step 2: Create the Dockerfile

In VS Code:

- Right-click → New File
- Name it exactly: **Dockerfile**  
(⚠ no .txt, no extension)

```
# Base image
FROM python:latest
# Set working directory
WORKDIR /app
# Copy files
COPY first.py /app
# Install dependencies
RUN pip install Flask
EXPOSE 5000
CMD ["/bin/bash"]
```

## Step 3: Create docker-compose.yml

In VS Code:

- Right-click → New File
- Name it exactly: **docker-compose.yml**

```
version: "3.9"
services:
  python1:
    build: .
    container_name: p1
    command: flask run --host=0.0.0.0
    ports:
      - "5000:5000"
    volumes:
      - ./:/app
    environment:
      - FLASK_APP=first
      - FLASK_ENV=development
      - FLASK_DEBUG=1
      #- FLASK_APP=${FLASK_APP}
      #- FLASK_ENV=production
```

- **FLASK\_APP=first**  
My Flask application is in first.py and contains app = Flask(...)
- **FLASK\_ENV=development**  
I am a developer working on this app.
- **FLASK\_ENV=production**  
This app is live and used by real users.
- **FLASK\_DEBUG=1**  
explicitly turns on debug mode (by default if  
FLASK\_ENV=development)
- **FLASK\_APP=\${FLASK\_APP}**

IF you want to decide the Python file name outside the code / compose file,

```
export FLASK_APP=python_file_name  
docker compose up
```

used when you deploy the same container to different environments

## **Step 4: Run (Compose way)**

From VS Code terminal:

```
docker compose down  
docker compose up
```

## **Step 5: Test in Browser**

<http://localhost:5000>