

Phase 4 Development :

Integrating a chatbot into a web app using Flask is a great way to provide a user-friendly interface for interacting with your chatbot. Here's a step-by-step guide on how to do it:

Step 1: Set Up Your Development Environment

Before you start, make sure you have Python and Flask installed. You can install Flask using

pip install Flask

Step 2: Create a Flask Project

Create a new directory for your Flask project and set up a basic project structure. Here's a simple example structure:

```
my_chatbot_app/  
  app.py  
  templates/  
    index.html
```

Step 3: Create the Flask App (app.py)

In your app.py file, you'll create a Flask web application and define routes for your chatbot.

Here's a basic

```
from flask import Flask, request, render_template  
from chatbot import generate_response # Import your chatbot logic
```

```
app = Flask(__name)
```

```
@app.route('/')  
def index():  
    return render_template('index.html')
```

```
@app.route('/chat', methods=['POST'])  
def chat():
```

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    user_message = request.form['user_message']
    bot_response = generate_response(user_message) # Use your chatbot's
logic to generate a response
    return bot_response

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(debug=True)

```

In this example, we have an / route that renders an HTML template and a " /chat" route that receives user input and sends it to the chatbot logic.

Step 4: Create the HTML Template (index.html)

Create an HTML template in the templates' directory. This template will contain the chat interface where users can enter messages and receive responses. Here's a simple

```

<html>
<head>
    <title>Chatbot App</title>
</head>
<body>
    <h1>Chatbot</h1>
    <div id="chat-container">
        <div id="chat-log"></div>
        <input type="text" id="user-input" placeholder="Type your
message...">
        <button id="send-button">Send</button>
    </div>

    <script>
        document.getElementById("send-button").addEventListener("click",
function() {
            var userMessage = document.getElementById("user-input").value;
            document.getElementById("chat-log").innerHTML += '<div
class="user-message">' + userMessage + '</div>';
            document.getElementById("user-input").value = "";

```

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// Send the user's message to the server
fetch('/chat', {
  method: 'POST',
  body: new URLSearchParams({ 'user_message': userMessage }),
  headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/x-www-form-urlencoded' }
})
.then(response => response.text())
.then(data => {
  document.getElementById("chat-log").innerHTML += '<div
class="bot-message">' + data + '</div>';
});
});
</script>
</body>
</html>

```

This HTML template provides a basic chat interface where user messages are displayed in the chat log, and bot responses are appended as well.

Step 5: Implement Your Chatbot Logic

In the app.py file, you'll need to import your chatbot's logic, which can be implemented using a separate Python module or class. The 'generate _response' function in the example represents your chatbot logic. Replace it with your own logic for generating chatbot Responses.

Step 6: Run Your Flask App

Now, you can run your Flask, using the following cmd.

```
python app.py
```

Your chatbot web app should be accessible at “<http://127.0.0.1/5000>” in your web browser.

This is a basic example of integrating a chatbot into a Flask web app. Depending on your specific chatbot and application requirements, you can enhance the user interface and add more features.

