

3. Approaches to create Request Body and Parameters - 2

JSON Library

- Used when you need to ensure the payload is strictly formatted as a JSON string before sending it (e.g., interacting with APIs requiring strict JSON payloads)

```
import json, pytest, requests
from dataclasses import dataclass, astuple
BASE_URL = "http://localhost:3000/students" #Global variable
student_id = None #Global variable
request_headers = {"Content-Type": "application/json"}
```

Test to create student using JSON library

```
def test_createStudentUsingJsonLibrary():
    global student_id
    request_body = {
        "name": "Scott",
        "location": "France",
        "phone": "123456",
        "courses": ["C", "C++"]
    }
    response = requests.post(BASE_URL, data=json.dumps(request_body), headers=request_headers)
    assert response.status_code == 201, "Status code is not 201"
    response_body = response.json()
    assert response_body["name"] == "Scott", "Name is not correct"
    assert response_body["location"] == "France", "Location is not correct"
    assert response_body["phone"] == "123456", "Phone is not correct"
    assert response_body["courses"][0] == "C", "Course 1 should be C"
    assert response_body["courses"][1] == "C++", "Course 2 should be C++"
    student_id = response_body["id"]
    print(response.json())
```

Custom Python class

- Used when data is complex, and you want to encapsulate related properties in a reusable structure (e.g., creating and sending user profile details).

Test to create student using Python class

```
def test_createStudentUsingPythonClass():
    class Student:
        def __init__(self, name, location, phone, courses):
            self.name = name
            self.location = location
            self.phone = phone
            self.courses = courses
    student = Student("Scott", "France", "123456", ["C", "C++"])
    global student_id
```

```

request_body = student.__dict__ → You converted the object to a dictionary
response = requests.post(BASE_URL,json=request_body)

or

response = requests.post(BASE_URL,data=json.dumps(request_body),headers=request_headers)
assert response.status_code == 201, "Status code is not 201"
response_body = response.json()
assert response_body["name"] == student.name, "Name is not correct"
assert response_body["location"] == student.location, "Location is not correct"
assert response_body["phone"] == student.phone, "Phone is not correct"
assert response_body["courses"] == student.courses, "Courses are not correct"
student_id = response_body["id"]
print(response.json())

```

@dataclass decorator in dataclass Python

- Used when data has a fixed structure, and you want to benefit from type hints and easy conversions to a dictionary (e.g., creating structured payloads for APIs like registration or booking systems).

Test to create student using Dataclass

```

def test_createStudentUsingDataclass():

@dataclass
class Student:
    name: str
    location: str
    phone: str
    courses: list

student = Student("Scott", "France", "123456", ["C", "C++"])

global student_id

request_body = student.__dict__
response = requests.post(BASE_URL,json=request_body)

or

response = requests.post(BASE_URL, json=asdict(student))

or

response = requests.post(BASE_URL,data=json.dumps(request_body),headers=request_headers)
assert response.status_code == 201, "Status code is not 201"
response_body = response.json()
assert response_body["name"] == student.name, "Name is not correct"
assert response_body["location"] == student.location, "Location is not correct"
assert response_body["phone"] == student.phone, "Phone is not correct"
assert response_body["courses"] == student.courses, "Courses are not correct"
student_id = response_body["id"]
print(response.json())

```

Note

- Use **@dataclass**: When your class is mainly for storing data.

- **Use custom class:** When your class has complex logic, custom behavior, or needs inheritance.

External json file

- Used when data is static, predefined, or reusable across multiple requests (e.g., configuration data or bulk data uploads).
- Create **body.json** file in the Package

body.json

```
{
  "name": "Scott",
  "location": "France",
  "phone": "123456",
  "courses": [
    "C",
    "C++"
  ]
}
```

Test to create student using Externalfile

```
def test_createStudentUsingExternalfile():
    global student_id
    with open("./body.json", "r") as file:
        request_body = json.load(file)
    response = requests.post(BASE_URL,json=request_body)

    or

    response = requests.post(BASE_URL,data=json.dumps(request_body),headers=request_headers)
    assert response.status_code == 201, "Status code is not 201"
    response_body = response.json()
    assert response_body["name"] == "Scott", "Name is not correct"
    assert response_body["location"] == "France", "Location is not correct"
    assert response_body["phone"] == "123456", "Phone is not correct"
    assert response_body["courses"][0] == "C", "Course 1 should be C"
    assert response_body["courses"][1] == "C++", "Course 2 should be C++"
    student_id = response_body["id"]
    print(response.json())
```

Pytest fixture to delete created record by any of above ways

- After each test, we can also delete the created student record by using the student_id.
- We can specify below fixture in the same module where we specify any of above request codes.

pytest fixture to delete created record

```
@pytest.fixture(autouse=True)
def delete_student():
    yield
    if student_id:
        response = requests.delete(f"{BASE_URL}/{student_id}")
```

```
assert response.status_code == 200
print("student deleted")
```

Note

- In Python, if you assign a value to a variable inside a function, Python treats it as a local variable by default. To modify a global variable inside a function, you must declare it with the global keyword.

[test_ParametersDemo.py](#)

```
import requests

def test_path_params():
    path parameter
    country = "India"
    response = requests.get(f"https://restcountries.com/v2/name/{country}")
    assert response.status_code == 200
    print(response.json())

def test_query_params():
    headers = {
        "Content-Type": "application/json",
        "x-api-key": "reqres-free-v1"
    }
    query parameters
    query_params = {
        "page": 2,
        "id": 5
    }
    response = requests.get("https://reqres.in/api/users", params=query_params, headers=headers)
    assert response.status_code == 200, "Expected status code 200"
    print(response.json())
```