**Instructions to run the flask app:**

**Setting up the virtual environment:**

1. Open the Flask\_Project in VS code.
2. Then create a virtual environment, by opening a command terminal and entering "python -m venv env". Ensure that a folder called 'env' has been created.
3. Then in VS code, set the interpreter to use the virtual environment. For that
4. hit ctrl + shift +p
5. search for "select python interpreter"
6. click on “Find”
7. browse to the env folder that you created.
8. navigate to Scripts/python.exe and select it.
9. After doing this open a fresh command terminal and enter the command "which python", and ensure the path shows the environment folder you created.
10. then do a pip install -r path/to/requirements.txt

***These steps are only for the first time.***

***From the next time you can only select the virtual environment by following step 3 and continue working.***

**Running the app:**

1. Select the correct virtual environment first.
2. Open a command terminal
3. Enter “python -m app.app”