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import requests
from requests.auth import HTTPBasicAuth
import json
import os
# Load credentials securely (you can use environment variables or a secrets manager)
SERVICENOW INSTANCE = os.getenv("SN INSTANCE") # e.g.,
'https://dev12345.service-now.com'
USERNAME = os.getenv("SN_USERNAME")
PASSWORD = os.getenv("SN PASSWORD")
TABLE NAME = 'incident' # Change to your target table
# Data to import
data_payload = {
  "short description": "Test Incident from Python",
  "priority": "2",
  "category": "software"
}
# Build endpoint
url = f"{SERVICENOW INSTANCE}/api/now/table/{TABLE NAME}"
# Set headers
headers = {
  "Content-Type": "application/json",
  "Accept": "application/json"
}
# Send POST request
response = requests.post(
  url,
  auth=HTTPBasicAuth(USERNAME, PASSWORD),
  headers=headers,
  data=json.dumps(data_payload)
)
# Check response
if response.status code == 201:
  print(" Record created successfully.")
  print("Sys ID:", response.json()['result']['sys_id'])
else:
  print(f" Failed to create record. Status: {response.status_code}")
  print("Error:", response.text)
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