

AlCThreading C++ Library

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This project will produce the AlCThreading.dll library, which exposes the AlCThread class, which provides very similar functionality as the Thread class in java.

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Build:

This project will require Visual Studio 2017 to build.

This project will require all it's dependencies and their respective dependencies as well to build.

Dependencies:

This project depends on the following:

- AlCLogger
- std::mutex

Usage:

Users of this library must do the following:

- Include the <alcthreading.h> C++ header
- Link to the AlCThreading.lib C++ library.
- Derive from the AlCThread class.
 - Implement/override the following functions:
 - *run()*

```
//The main threadd class.
class DLLEXPORT AlCThread
{
public:
    AlCThread(AlCLogger *vLogger);
    virtual ~AlCThread();

    //Starts this thread.
    bool start();

    //This will get invoked once the thread starts,
    //by a new thread, and not the current thread tha invoked start.
    virtual DWORD run();

    //Logging.
    AlCLogger *logger;

    //Thread id.
    DWORD threadId;
    HANDLE threadHandle;

    int stackSize;
    void setCompleted(bool newval);           // Thread safe way to set completed for thread.
    bool getCompleted();                     // Thread safe way to retrieve completed for thread.

    void setStarted(bool newval);            // Thread safe way to set started for thread.
    bool getStarted();                       // Thread safe way to retrieve started for thread.

    bool completed;

    //Character buffer for output.
    wchar_t tbuffer[2048];

    std::mutex threadMutex;                  // Mutex to protect this thread.

    //Bool flags, for thread control.
    bool started;

};
```

Example:

Header:

```
/**
    This class represents a thread that will poll for videos to analyze.
**/
class PollerThread : public AlCThread
{
public:
    PollerThread(AlCLogger *vLogger, char *vpath);    // Constructor.
    virtual ~PollerThread();                        // Destructor.

    char path[2048];                                // The input path fo poll.
    char pBuffer[2048];                            // The buffer for logging.

    virtual DWORD run();                            //The run Impl, is responsible for polling and
processing videos.

};
```

Cpp:

```
/**
    The run Impl, is responsible for polling and processing videos.
**/
DWORD PollerThread::run()
{
    sprintf_s(pBuffer, "PollerThread::run:-- STARTED , path: '%s' \n\0", path);
    logger->debug(pBuffer);

    ...
}
```