Complete create_user Flow in FastAPI

✓ 1. schemas.py — Request & Response Models

```
from pydantic import BaseModel, EmailStr

class UserCreate(BaseModel):
    name: str
    email: EmailStr
    password: str

class UserResponse(BaseModel):
    id: int
    name: str
    email: EmailStr

class Config:
    orm_mode = True # important to work with ORM objects
```

2. models.py — SQLAlchemy User Model

```
from sqlalchemy import Column, Integer, String
from database import Base

class User(Base):
    __tablename__ = "users"

id = Column(Integer, primary_key=True, index=True)
    name = Column(String, nullable=False)
    email = Column(String, unique=True, index=True)
    password = Column(String, nullable=False) # store hashed password
```

☑ 3. database.py — DB Setup + Dependency

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine
from sqlalchemy.ext.declarative import declarative_base
from sqlalchemy.orm import sessionmaker

DATABASE_URL = "sqlite:///./test.db" # or PostgreSQL, MySQL etc.

engine = create_engine(DATABASE_URL, connect_args={"check_same_thread": False})
SessionLocal = sessionmaker(autocommit=False, autoflush=False, bind=engine)
```

```
Base = declarative_base()

# Dependency to use in routes

def get_db():
    db = SessionLocal()
    try:
        yield db
    finally:
        db.close()
```

4. crud.py — Business Logic (Service Layer)

```
from sqlalchemy.orm import Session
from models import User
from schemas import UserCreate
from utils import hash_password # if using hashing

def create_user(db: Session, user: UserCreate):
    db_user = User(
        name=user.name,
        email=user.email,
        password=hash_password(user.password) # optional hashing
    )
    db.add(db_user)
    db.commit()
    db.refresh(db_user)
    return db_user
```

🔽 5. utils.py — (Optional) Password Hashing

```
from passlib.context import CryptContext

pwd_context = CryptContext(schemes=["bcrypt"], deprecated="auto")

def hash_password(password: str) -> str:
    return pwd_context.hash(password)
```

6. main.py — FastAPI Route Using Dependency

```
from fastapi import FastAPI, Depends, HTTPException from sqlalchemy.orm import Session
```

```
import models, schemas, crud
from database import engine, get_db

models.Base.metadata.create_all(bind=engine)

app = FastAPI()

@app.post("/users/", response_model=schemas.UserResponse)
def create_user(user: schemas.UserCreate, db: Session = Depends(get_db)):
    db_user = crud.create_user(db, user)
    return db_user
```

Full Request–Response Flow

1. **Request:**

```
POST /users/
{
    "name": "Darshan",
    "email": "darshan@example.com",
    "password": "secret123"
}
```

2. **@ FastAPI Route:**

- Validates using UserCreate
- Injects db session via Depends (get_db)

3. Susiness Logic (CRUD Layer):

- Calls create_user(db, user)
- Hashes password (optional)
- Adds user to DB

4. **SQLAIchemy Model:**

- Maps to users table
- 5. **Response:** Returns UserResponse model (hides password!)

Bonus: Folder Structure

```
    models.py
    schemas.py
    crud.py
    database.py
    utils.py
    requirements.txt
```

Features Used

Concept	Usage
* Pydantic Models	UserCreate, UserResponse
SQLAlchemy ORM	User model in models.py
Dependency Injection	Depends(get_db) in route
DB Abstraction	crud.create_user(db, user)
Optional Security	hash_password via passlib

1. FastAPI create_user Flow – Arrow Diagram & Explanation

```
Client receives JSON:
  "id": 1,
  "name": "Darshan",
  "email": "darshan@example.com"
}
```

Data Flow Breakdown:

- Pydantic Schema: Input validated (UserCreate)
- **Dependency Injection**: get_db provides a DB session
- Business Logic (CRUD): create_user interacts with DB
- ORM (SQLAlchemy): Handles table & row management
- Response Model: Returns only id, name, email



🔐 2. JWT Authentication Flow in FastAPI

Let's now explore how JWT Login works using password validation, token generation, and protection of private routes.

🔁 JWT Flow – Arrow Diagram

```
CLIENT sends login credentials:
POST /login
{ "username": "darshan", "password": "1234" }
@app.post("/login")
    Verifies username in DB

    Validates password using hash check

    └─ If valid:
       Generate JWT using PyJWT
       Return token → { "access_token": "<JWT>", "token_type": "bearer" }
Then, on protected routes:
CLIENT calls:
GET /profile with Header: Authorization: Bearer <JWT>
```

Code Breakdown

Generate Token – auth.py

```
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
from jose import JWTError, jwt

SECRET_KEY = "your-secret"
ALGORITHM = "HS256"
ACCESS_TOKEN_EXPIRE_MINUTES = 30

def create_access_token(data: dict):
    to_encode = data.copy()
    expire = datetime.utcnow() + timedelta(minutes=ACCESS_TOKEN_EXPIRE_MINUTES)
    to_encode.update({"exp": expire})
    return jwt.encode(to_encode, SECRET_KEY, algorithm=ALGORITHM)
```

Login Route - routes.py

```
from fastapi import APIRouter, Depends, HTTPException
from fastapi.security import OAuth2PasswordRequestForm
from sqlalchemy.orm import Session
from auth import create_access_token
from utils import verify_password
from models import User
from database import get_db

router = APIRouter()

@router.post("/login")
def login(form_data: OAuth2PasswordRequestForm = Depends(), db: Session =
Depends(get_db)):
    user = db.query(User).filter(User.email == form_data.username).first()
```

```
if not user or not verify_password(form_data.password, user.password):
    raise HTTPException(status_code=401, detail="Invalid credentials")

access_token = create_access_token(data={"sub": user.email})
return {"access_token": access_token, "token_type": "bearer"}
```

Protected Route

```
from fastapi import Depends
from fastapi.security import OAuth2PasswordBearer
from jose import JWTError, jwt
from sqlalchemy.orm import Session
oauth2_scheme = OAuth2PasswordBearer(tokenUrl="/login")
def get current user(token: str = Depends(oauth2 scheme), db: Session =
Depends(get_db)):
    try:
        payload = jwt.decode(token, SECRET_KEY, algorithms=[ALGORITHM])
        email: str = payload.get("sub")
        if not email:
            raise HTTPException(status_code=401)
    except JWTError:
        raise HTTPException(status_code=401)
    user = db.query(User).filter(User.email == email).first()
    return user
```

Use in route:

```
@app.get("/me")
def read_profile(current_user: User = Depends(get_current_user)):
    return current_user
```

Summary Table – JWT Auth Flow

Step	Action	Tool Used	
🔐 Login	POST /login with username/password	OAuth2PasswordRequestForm	
✓ Validate	Check password hash, issue token	passlib, jose	
Token	JWT with sub (email) and exp	<pre>create_access_token()</pre>	

Step	Action	Tool Used
Protect	Decode token in protected routes	<pre>get_current_user()</pre>
Response	Secured user data	Token-based access

USER CREATION SYSTEM CHECKLIST

Step	Description	File
✓ 1	DB Engine + Session Setup	database.py
✓ 2	SQLAIchemy Model for User	models.py
✓ 3	Pydantic Request & Response Schemas	schemas.py
✓ 4	User CRUD Logic	db_user.py
✓ 5	API Route for /users/	user.py
✓ 6	Main App Mounting Routes	main.py

1. database.py – Setup DB Connection & Session

```
# database.py
from sqlalchemy import create_engine
from sqlalchemy.ext.declarative import declarative_base
from sqlalchemy.orm import sessionmaker
DATABASE_URL = "sqlite:///./users.db"
engine = create_engine(
   DATABASE_URL, connect_args={"check_same_thread": False} # SQLite specific
SessionLocal = sessionmaker(autocommit=False, autoflush=False, bind=engine)
Base = declarative_base()
# Dependency
def get_db():
   db = SessionLocal()
   try:
       yield db
   finally:
        db.close()
```



2. models.py – User Table Definition

```
# models.py
from sqlalchemy import Column, Integer, String
from database import Base
class User(Base):
   __tablename__ = "users"
   id = Column(Integer, primary_key=True, index=True)
    name = Column(String, nullable=False)
    email = Column(String, unique=True, index=True)
    password = Column(String, nullable=False)
```

3. schemas.py – User Request & Response

Schemas

```
# schemas.py
from pydantic import BaseModel, EmailStr
class UserCreate(BaseModel):
    name: str
    email: EmailStr
    password: str
class UserResponse(BaseModel):
    id: int
    name: str
    email: EmailStr
    class Config:
        orm_mode = True
```

4. db_user.py - Business Logic Layer (CRUD)

```
# db_user.py
from sqlalchemy.orm import Session
from models import User
```

```
from schemas import UserCreate
from utils import hash_password
def create_user(db: Session, user: UserCreate):
    db_user = User(
        name=user.name,
        email=user.email,
        password=hash_password(user.password)
    db.add(db_user)
    db.commit()
    db.refresh(db user)
    return db_user
```



👔 (Optional) utils.py – Password Hashing

```
# utils.py
from passlib.context import CryptContext
pwd_context = CryptContext(schemes=["bcrypt"], deprecated="auto")
def hash password(password: str) -> str:
    return pwd_context.hash(password)
```



🐔 5. user.py – Route for Creating User

```
# user.py
from fastapi import APIRouter, Depends
from sqlalchemy.orm import Session
from database import get db
from schemas import UserCreate, UserResponse
from db_user import create_user
router = APIRouter()
@router.post("/users/", response_model=UserResponse)
def register_user(user: UserCreate, db: Session = Depends(get_db)):
    return create_user(db, user)
```



6. main.py – Mount Routers & Initialize DB

```
# main.py
from fastapi import FastAPI
import models
from database import engine
from user import router as user_router
models.Base.metadata.create_all(bind=engine)
app = FastAPI()
# Mount the user routes
app.include_router(user_router)
```

Final Folder & File Structure

```
project/
─ main.py
models.py
schemas.py
─ db_user.py
— user.py
— database.py
— utils.py
users.db (created on first run)
```

Test the API

```
POST /users/
```

```
"name": "Darshan",
 "email": "darshan@example.com",
  "password": "secret123"
}
```

Response:

```
{
    "id": 1,
    "name": "Darshan",
    "email": "darshan@example.com"
}
```