

# Django Project Creation Checklist

- ☐ Create the *PROJECT* using cookiecutter (or other layout creator)

```
cookiecutter SETUP/cookiecutter-django
```

**NOTE** | the argument to **cookiecutter** is a **cookiecutter** template *folder*

- ☐ Navigate to the project folder (**cookiecutter** calls this the "project slug")

```
cd project_name
```

- ☐ Run the first migration

```
python manage.py migrate
```

- ☐ Create the *APP* using **cookiecutter** (or other layout creator)

```
cookiecutter ../SETUP/cookiecutter-django-app
```

- ☐ Add the app to `INSTALLED_APPS` in *project\_name/project\_name/settings.py*
- ☐ Create models in *project\_name/app\_name/models.py*
- ☐ Create migrations and run them

```
python manage.py makemigrations  
python manage.py migrate
```

- ☐ Register models in *project\_name/project\_name/admin.py*
- ☐ Create views in *project\_name/app\_name/views.py*
- ☐ Create templates in *project\_name/app\_name/templates/app\_name*
- ☐ Add views to the *app's* URL config in *project\_name/app\_name/urls.py*
- ☐ Include the *app's* URL config in the *project's* URL config in *project\_name/project\_name/urls.py*
- ☐ From the project folder, start the development server

```
python manage.py runserver
```