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Next Steps

© Estimated Time: 1 hour

Congratulations! You've reached the end of the Thinkful Programming in Python course. By this point you've learned a whole lot of Python, created a world-beating capstone project, and are ready to go out and show the world your programming chops.



We like to think that Thinkful is just one step in your journey as a coder. Hopefully as you have been working through the course you have started to get an idea of some of the next steps available to you. The variety of different routes can sometimes be a little bit daunting, so to help you on your way here are some resources which you may find useful as you continue to learn and develop your skills.

Learning

- The Python IRC Channel is a great place to get your questions answered and hang-out with other Python developers.
- The Python Mailing Lists are the place to keep up with the latest developments in Python, and offer another avenue for getting help on any problems which you are having.
- There are a number of annual conferences and workshops where the Python community gather together to talk shop.

 Planet Python aggregates blogs from members of the Python community which cover a wide variety of topics relating to Python programming.

• Real Python, co-founded/written by mentor Michael Herman, is a great resource for advancing your Python and web development skills.

Work

- StackOverflow Careers lists hundreds of available Python jobs.
- WeWorkRemotely is a great resource for finding remote work.
- LanceList provides a directory of ways to find freelance gigs.

Fun

- A great way to boost your portfolio and meet other developers is to work on an open-source project. GitHub have a useful guide to contributing to open-source projects.
- Take part in a coding challenge to improve your skills. There are a whole range of challenges online, from building a game in 48 hours to solving fiendish algorithmic problems.

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