Activity: Working with Azure DevOps and Visual Studio

Step 1: Create a New Project in Azure DevOps

- 1. Go to Azure DevOps and sign in.
- 2. Click on New Project.
- 3. Enter a project name (e.g., MyFirstADOProject).
- 4. Choose **Private** for visibility (or Public if desired).
- 5. Select **Git** as the version control system.
- 6. Click Create.

Step 2: Clone Repository in Visual Studio

- 1. Open Visual Studio.
- 2. Go to **View > Git Changes** (if not already visible).
- 3. Click on Clone Repository.
- 4. Select **Azure DevOps** from the options.
- 5. Choose the newly created project and repository.
- 6. Select a local folder to store the repository.
- 7. Click Clone.

Step 3: Create a New Branch in Visual Studio

- 1. In Visual Studio, open **Git Changes**.
- 2. Click on the **branch dropdown** (next to "Current Branch").
- 3. Click New Branch.
- 4. Enter a branch name (e.g., feature-add-files).
- 5. Ensure **main** is selected as the base branch.

- 6. Click Create Branch.
- 7. Make sure you switch to the new branch.

Step 4: Add New Files

- 1. Right-click the project in **Solution Explorer**.
- 2. Click Add > New Item.
- 3. Choose a file type (e.g., Class, Markdown file, Text File, etc.).
- 4. Name the file (e.g., NewFeature.cs).
- 5. Add some content to the file.
- 6. Save the file.

Step 5: Commit Changes in Visual Studio

- 1. Open Git Changes.
- 2. The newly created files should be listed under Changes.
- 3. Enter a commit message (e.g., "Added NewFeature.cs").
- 4. Click **Commit** (this commits locally but does not push to the remote repository yet).

Step 6: Push Changes to Azure DevOps Repository

- 1. Click **Push** in the **Git Changes** window.
- 2. Wait for the push operation to complete.

Step 7: Create a Pull Request (PR) in Azure DevOps

- 1. Go to **Azure DevOps** in your browser.
- 2. Navigate to Repos > Branches.
- 3. Find your branch (feature-add-files).
- 4. Click on New Pull Request.

- 5. Ensure **main** is the target branch.
- 6. Add a **title** and **description**.
- 7. Click Create.

Step 8: Approve and Merge the Pull Request

- 1. If required, assign reviewers.
- 2. Click **Approve** (if you have the required permissions).
- 3. Click Complete Merge.
- 4. Select **Delete branch after merge** (optional).
- 5. Click Merge.