Downloading and installing Visual Studio 2019

1. Visit https://visualstudio.microsoft.com/downloads/ in your favorite Web browser.
2. Click on the "Free Trial" download link for Visual Studio Professional (not Community or Enterprise).
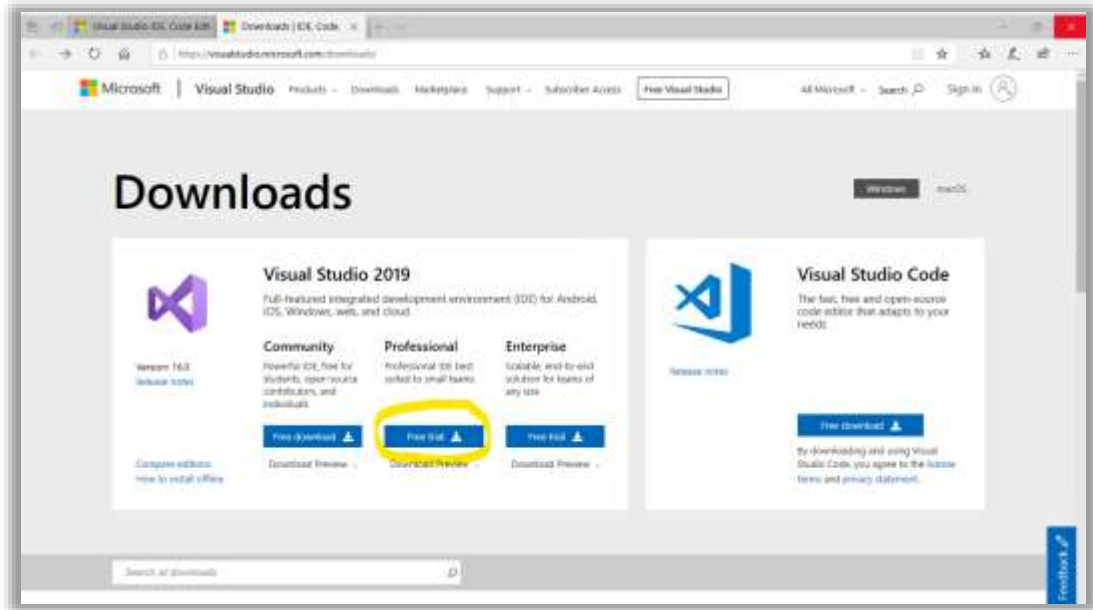

3. Be sure you have a good Internet connection, as the entire Visual Studio package is several gigabytes in size (depending on the options you select) and the download may take a while.
4. Run the installer you just downloaded. (It normally will be downloaded either to your Desktop, or to your Downloads folder.)
5. Select the components you want to install, and other installation options.
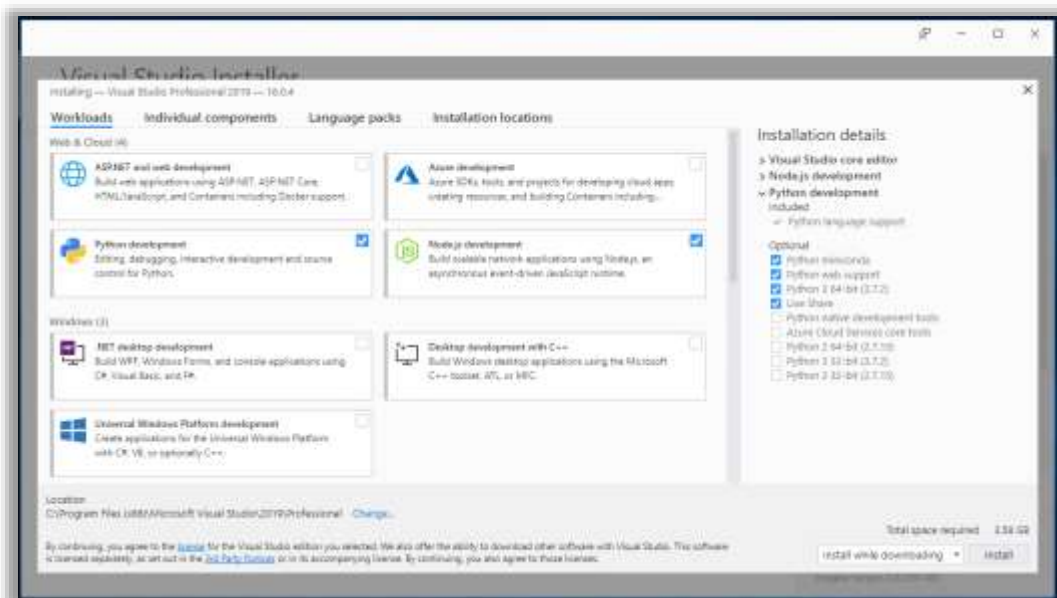
6. When ready, click the "Install" button at the bottom right corner.
7. The first time you launch Visual Studio, you will be prompted to sign in. This is optional, but recommended.
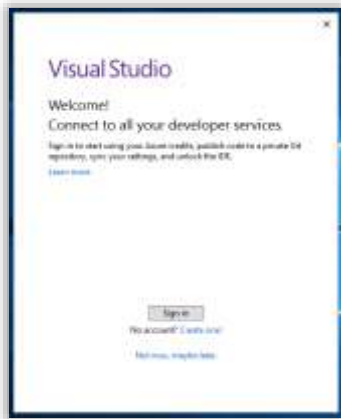
8. The first time you open or create a project, click Help (on the top-level menu), then select "Register Product".
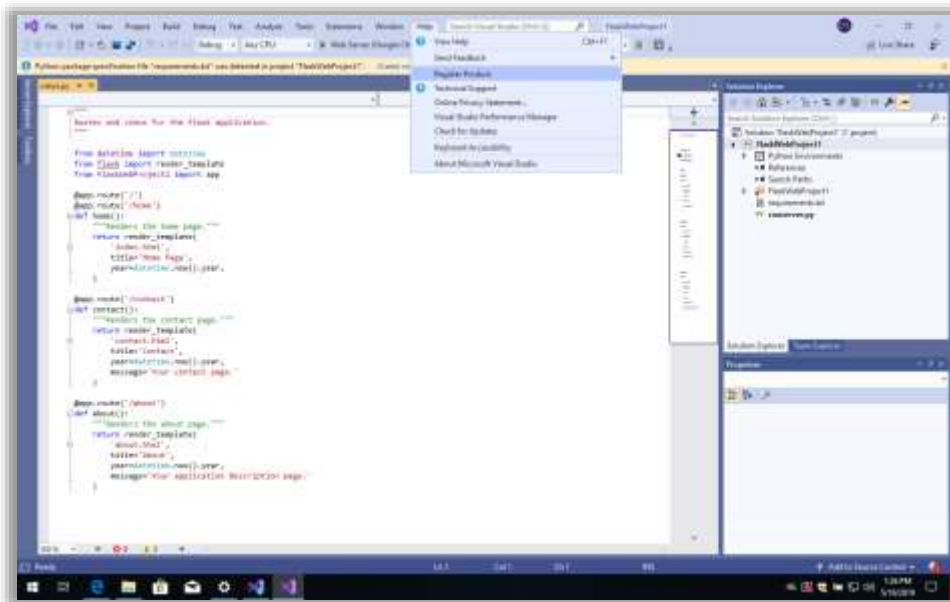
9. Click "Unlock with a product key," then enter the product key provided by Software Licensing.