

# **Certificate in Foundation Studies**

Prospectus



### Nau mai, haere mai

# A warm welcome to New Zealand's highest ranked university

In a world of increasing global opportunity, we want to help you to boost your life and career prospects. A qualification from an internationally renowned university will bring you closer to achieving your goals. According to international rankings, we are New Zealand's leading university.\* Our degrees are respected internationally, and our graduates are highly employable in national and global workplaces.

Whatever your future goals, your time with us will broaden your horizons and help you to become a free thinker.

The University of Auckland offers an extremely wide variety of subjects.

Furthermore, we're continuing to diversify our array of undergraduate programmes by adding four innovative new degrees: the Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) and Bachelor of Medical Imaging (Honours), new in 2019, and the Bachelor of Design and Bachelor of Education (TESOL), new in 2020.

During your time here, you'll learn from outstanding teachers, many of whom are global leaders in their field. Many of our academics are also energetic entrepreneurs. According to Reuters Top 75, we rank as the most innovative university in New Zealand.\*\* We've also been recognised by the MIT Skoltech Initiative as one of the world's top five emerging leaders in entrepreneurship.

We've also been recognised as world leaders in sustainability with our recent number one ranking in the inaugural Times Higher Education Impact Ratings. These

measure how well educational institutions are delivering on the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.

University is about more than just gaining a qualification. Auckland City shines with opportunity. It offers a kaleidoscope of experiences that will help to shape your future. Think about the thrill of living in New Zealand's biggest and most diverse city, the life-long friends you'll make, the clubs you'll join, the life skills you'll master, and the memories you'll cherish for years to come. We're proud of our rich campus and city life, our convenient and secure accommodation options, our extensive scholarships, and our comprehensive support services and pastoral care.

QS World University Rankings also place the University of Auckland at number one in New Zealand for Graduate Employability in 2018. When you leave the University of Auckland, you'll be equipped for the next step – what that looks like is up to you. Success with us is just the beginning.

We look forward to welcoming you in 2021.



**Dawn Freshwater** Vice-Chancellor



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> QS World University Rankings 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> QS Subject Rankings 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> THE Impact Rankings 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> THE World University Rankings 2020

# Study in Auckland

University is about far more than gaining a qualification, and Auckland City shines with opportunity.

New Zealand's 'big little city' is not just a growing Asia-Pacific centre of excellence, it consistently rates as one of the best places in the world to study.



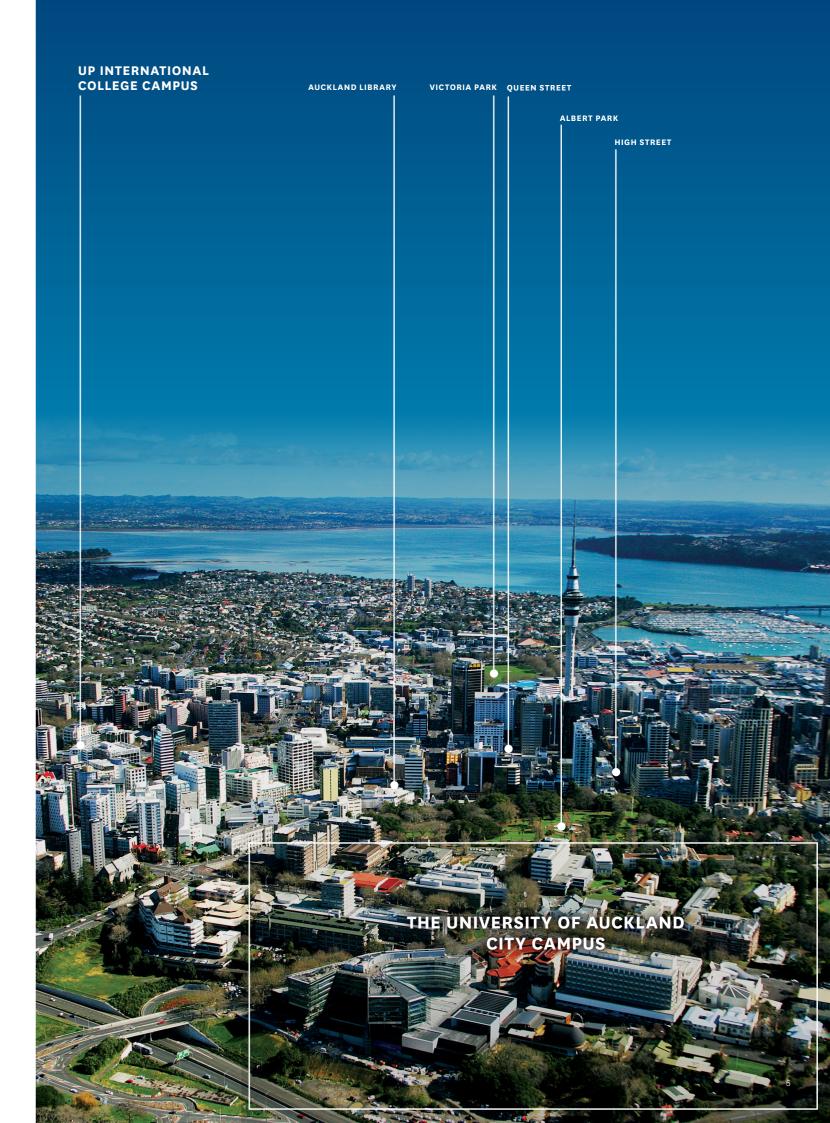




Top city for job opportunities, climate and lifestyle



Commercial and business centre of New Zealand



### The University of Auckland

# Certificate in Foundation Studies

### Prepare to study at university

- Study the content subjects you need for your degree programme, in English
- · Upskill in academic English
- Understand lectures clearly
- Write stronger essays
- Read written content more effectively
- Take useful notes
- Improve pronunciation and confidence when speaking/presenting
- · Develop critical thinking skills
- · Learn independent study skills.

### Subjects

- Core
- English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
- Elective (Choose four)
- AccountingArt HistoryBiologyGeographyPhysicsPhotography
- ChemistryDesignMathematics CalculusMathematics Modelling
- Economics Statistics

#### Assessment method

- 50% final examinations + 50% internal assessment
- Elective courses pass mark is 50%

A number of courses are increasing the variety of their assessment methods to include one or more of the following:

- · Digital assessments
- · Collaborative assessments
- · Research-based assessments
- Practical assessments
- $\,\cdot\,$  Assessments that include a presentation

(e.g. face-to-face, video)

- · Assessments that give students choices
- Assessments that are larger, spread over a longer time, and allow for drafting/checking in throughout

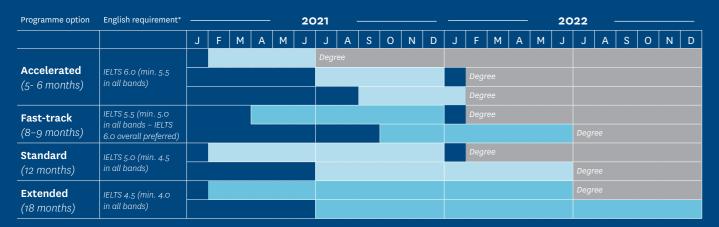
## Enrol in a Foundation Studies programme and receive:

- 1. An offer of place for the Foundation Studies programme
- A conditional offer of place for an undergraduate degree course at the University of Auckland (successfully complete the Foundation Studies programme and receive an unconditional offer)

# To enter a University of Auckland undergraduate programme:

- Score the required aggregate mark set by the faculty of your degree choice across four academic subjects in Foundation Studies (see pages 8-9)
- Achieve a B grade or higher in English for Academic Purposes (or IELTS Level 6.0 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 in all bands)

### Sample course progression



\*Refer to the insert for accepted IELTS equivalents and academic entry requirements.



### Meet Jingxuan Xu

I learned how to study autonomously in my 'flipped learning' Economics class. Content delivered via video gives students more time to ask teachers questions and work on practical exercises. These skills have helped me a lot at university.

- Jingxuan Xu

# A degree from the University of Auckland

### Programme Delivery

Partnered with the leading university in New Zealand, UP Education has been delivering the foundation programme for over 20 years on behalf of the University of Auckland. All teachers are trained and registered with the Teachers Council of New Zealand. Our delivery is based on flipped learning where students will receive and complete assigned 'pre-learning' video lessons and tasks before class via Blackboard, then work through them with teachers during class to deepen the knowledge gained during lesson time.

We also place great emphasis on student welfare and ensure a high standard of care. Our caring and dedicated staff are experienced in looking after the educational, practical and social needs of students. Outside the classroom, there are plenty of chances for students to have fun from sports and excursions to photography and cooking classes.

### **Progression Support**

The Education Counsellor will offer their expertise by exploring various options with you so that you select a course that best meets your goals. Faculty members and current students at the university are regularly invited to share more about the university, courses and their experience. You will also get a glimpse of university life through campus tours and may even be able to partake in actual classes.

Students will receive assistance on their formal applications to the University of Auckland and are encouraged to start conversations with the International Managers of their faculty.

### **Graduate Profile**

#### 1. Knowledge and Practice

Graduates demonstrate a coherent understanding of disciplinary foundations through identifying and applying appropriate theories, concepts, principles, models and processes.

### 2. Critical thinking

Graduates can analyse and prioritise information, question assumptions and develop well-reasoned arguments.

### 3. Solution seeking

Graduates can apply disciplinary approaches, modes of inquiry and personal initiative to relevant problems and settings and create, interpret and evaluate possible solutions.

### 4. Communication and engagement

Graduates can communicate effectively in written and oral formats to engage collaboratively with diverse groups.

### 5. Independence and integrity

Graduates demonstrate resilience, intellectual independence, impartiality and sound ethical judgement.

### 6. Social and environmental responsibility

Graduates demonstrate an appreciation of the principles underpinning the Treaty of Waitangi and an awareness of their roles as global citizens with a commitment to sustainability and diversity.

**95**%

of students received an offer of place from the University of Auckland in 2019

## Entry requirements for The University of Auckland

Minimum academic and English language requirements for guaranteed entrance into undergraduate study from the University of Auckland Certificate in Foundation Studies. Effective for students applying for entry to the University of Auckland in 2022.

Please note that students who do not enter the university with IELTS 6.5 overall with no band below 6.0 (or equivalent), or a minimum English grade B+, will be required to study and pass an academic English language course in their first year of study. This course will be included as part of the programme of study.

Faculty	Programme	Minimum entry marks from best 4 academic subjects*	Minimum English language proficiency	Semester intake	Additional requirements	Duration (years)
Faculty of Arts	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	250	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One and Semester Two		3
	Bachelor of Global Studies (BGlobalSt)	290	English B+ grade minimum, or IELTS 6.5 overall with no band below 6.0.	Semester One		3
Business School	Bachelor of Commerce (BCom)	260	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One and Semester Two		3
	Bachelor of Property (BProp)	260	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One and Semester Two		3
Creative Arts and Industries	Bachelor of Architectural Studies (BAS)	300	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One	By selection only. (Subject to the qualitative evaluation of a portfolio of creative work and written statement). <sup>1</sup>	3
	Bachelor of Dance Studies (BDanceSt)	250	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One	By selection only. (Subject to the qualitative evaluation of a CV, written statement and an audition/interview which may contain one or more recorded/live elements).1	3
	Bachelor of Design (BDes)**	260	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One		3
	Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)	250	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One		4
	Bachelor of Music (BMus)  - Creative Practice in Classical, Composition, Jazz, or Popular Music	250	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One	By selection only (excluding Composition). Subject to the qualitative evaluation of an audition/composition portfolio. Details of the portfolio requirements are given in depth on the University website.	3
	Bachelor of Music (BMus) – Music Studies	250	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One		3
	Bachelor of Urban Planning (Honours) (BUrbPlan (Hons))	300	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One		4
Faculty of Education and Social Work	Bachelor of Education (Teaching) (BEd (Tchg))	260	IELTS 7.0 overall, minimum of 7.0 in each band.	Semester One	By selection only. (Subject to a satisfactory interview, police check, safety checks and referees' reports. You may also be required to sit literacy and numeracy assessment).	3
	Bachelor of Education (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) (BEd TESOL)	260	English B grade minimum or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester Two	By selection only. (Subject to a satisfactory interview, police checks, safety checks and referees' reports).¹	3
	Bachelor of Sport, Health & Physical Education (BSportHPE)	260	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One and Semester Two		3
	Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)	300	IELTS 7.0 overall, minimum 7.0 in each band.	Semester One	By selection only, (Subject to a satisfactory police check, safety checks and referees' reports. Interviews may be required). <sup>1</sup>	4
Faculty of Engineering	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE (Hons))*	300	English B+ grade minimum, or IELTS 6.5 overall with no band below 6.0.	Semester One; Semester Two by selection, subject to availability.	Calculus and Physics.	4
Faculty of Law	Bachelor of Laws Part I (LLB (Part I))	Students must be offered a place in another bachelor's degree (either as a concurrent degree or a conjoint degree). Entry will be based on entry requirements for the other bachelor's degree.	Must meet minimum English language requirements for other Bachelor's degree.	Semester One and Semester Two	Students will be selected into Part II on the basis of their results in Part I.	4

Faculty	Programme	Minimum entry marks from best 4 academic subjects*	Minimum English language proficiency	Semester intake	Additional requirements	Duration (years)
Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences	Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHSc)	290	English B+ grade minimum, or IELTS 6.5 overall with no band below 6.0.	Semester One only if seeking pathway to MBChB, otherwise Semester Two also.	One science subject. <sup>2</sup>	3
	Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB)	No direct entry		Semester One	No direct entry. Applicants will be selected on the basis of first year results in the BSc (Biomedical Science) or BHSc programme, UCAT score and an interview. <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>3</sup>
	Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs)*	290	English B+ grade minimum, or IELTS 6.5 overall with no band below 6.0.	Semester One	One of Biology, Chemistry or Physics. Limited numbers of places available. Selection by interview. <sup>1</sup>	3
	Bachelor of Optometry (BOptom)	No direct entry		Semester One	No direct entry. Applicants will be selected on the basis of first year results in the BSc (Biomedical Science) programme, and an interview <sup>1</sup>	54
	Bachelor of Pharmacy (BPharm)	No direct entry		Semester One	No direct entry. Applicants will be selected on the basis of first year results in the BSc or BHSc programmes, and an interview. <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup>
	Bachelor of Medical Imaging (Hons) (BMedImagH)	No direct entry		Semester One	No direct entry. Applicants will be selected on the basis of first year results in the BSc (Biomedical Science) programme, and an interview <sup>1</sup>	44
Faculty of Science	Bachelor of Science (BSc) – Biomedical Science	300	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One	One science subject <sup>2</sup>	3
	Bachelor of Science (BSc) – Food Science & Nutrition	280	English B grade minimum, or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One; Semester Two subject to availability	One science subject. <sup>2</sup>	3
	Bachelor of Science (BSc) – other majors	260	English B grade minimum or IELTS 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5.	Semester One; Semester Two subject to availability	One science subject. <sup>2</sup>	3
	Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) (BAdvSci(Hons)) – All specialisations	300	English B+ grade minimum, or IELTS 6.5 overall with no band below 6.0.	Semester One and Semester Two		4
Conjoint degree programmes	Conjoint Degrees (without Engineering, Advanced Science, Health Sciences, or Nursing)	290	Must meet minimum English language requirements for both degrees.	Dependent on faculty	See additional requirements for each degree programme	4+6
	Conjoint Degrees (with Health Sciences and Nursing)	300	Must meet minimum English requirements for both degrees.	Dependent on faculty	See the additional requirements listed for both degree programmes.	5+ <sup>6</sup>
	Conjoint Degrees (with Engineering, or Advanced Science)	330	Must meet minimum English language requirements for both degrees.	Dependent on faculty	See the additional requirements listed for both degree programmes.	5+ <sup>6</sup>

To qualify for the University of Auckland Certificate in Foundation Studies, students must pass a minimum of four academic subjects (50% is a pass) and achieve a B Grade or higher in EAP or an IELTS level of at least 6.0 overall with no bands below 5.5.

Entry to the University of Auckland requires the Certificate in Foundation Studies and a minimum aggregate of marks as listed above, and a B Grade or higher in EAP or an IELTS level of at least 6.0 overall with no band less than 5.5.

#### NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> Faculties with programmes that specify 'Selection' have additional entry requirements such as a portfolio or interview, and entry is subject to faculty approval. The scores listed are alone not sufficient for entry.
- <sup>2</sup> A minimum of one of the following science subjects is required to be passed: Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Geography, Physics, and Statistics.
- <sup>3</sup> One year BSc (Biomedical Science) or BHSc, plus five additional years in the MBChB programme if admission is gained.
- 4 One year BSc (Biomedical Science), plus four additional years in the BOptom or BMedImag (Hons) programme if admission is gained.
- $^{\rm 5}$  One year BSc or BHSc, plus three additional years in the BPharm programme if admission is gained.
- <sup>6</sup> Duration of conjoint programmes varies.
- \* Students who enrol in the Accelerated programme in September and successfully complete it will not be able to progress to this degree as they will not have studied the required subject (Physics/Biology). The only subjects offered for the Accelerated programme in September are Statistics, Geography, Accounting, Economics and EAP 2. Students who successfully enrol in the Accelerated programme in January or July will have access to study the full range of our Foundation subjects and will not face these limitations.

The above information is correct as of February 2021 and is subject to change.



# Student Support on Campus

Once you have commenced your degree study at University of Auckland, you qualify for the following:

### AskAuckland Central

For help or information on paying fees, enrolment, degree planning and online student services.

E. studentinfo@auckland.ac.nz

### Career Development and Employability Services

Develop contacts with local employers, take part in workshops for CV-writing and interview skills, or do a mentoring programme with a University alumnus – this service is free for up to three years after graduation.

### International Student Support

A team of trained advisers is available to help with visas, finance, accommodation, learning services and student health.

W. auckland.ac.nz/student-support-and-services

### 360 International

University of Auckland students have the change to further their international study experience at one of 130+ renowned overseas partner universities. Enhance your skills, academic potential and employability through one of the many immersive international opportunities. W. auckland.ac.nz/360

#### 240+ clubs

Join a club to expand your networks and enrich your study experience.

### English Language Enrichment (ELE) classes

The University offers free services to help you improve your English language skills while you study. The ELE service is available both face-to-face and online and you can use the resources, get advice about your English, join language-learning groups and find language exchange partners. W. library.auckland.ac.nz/ele

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## Meet Abhisek Mohanty

Currently a Director at PwC (Management Consulting)

Based out of the New York City practice, Abhisek completed the University of Auckland Certificate in Foundation Studies programme with us in 2011. In addition to gaining entry to his desired undergraduate course, the programme helped him adapt to the culture in New Zealand and set up a strong network of international students. UP Education's focus on instilling discipline and structure into the day-to-day activities of students was critical to his professional and personal maturity.

Completing the Foundation Studies programme was just the beginning for Abhisek as he progressed on to achieving his bachelor's and postgraduate degrees from the University of Auckland. He then began his career at award-winning startup, Plexure, before exploring various business and data roles at marketing agency, Digitas Affinity ID, and technology giant, Hewlett-Packard (HP). Over the last six years, he has been working at PwC in the Management Consulting team across New Zealand and Australia, and has spent the last three years in New York City working with various global retail, consumer goods, and private equity clients.

Now, as the Director of a Management Consulting team at a prestigious multinational firm, Abhisek is living proof of where the Foundation Studies programme can lead.





# Student Wellbeing

# Learning to live in a new city can be hard at first.

The Māori concept of manaakitanga is heavily integrated into New Zealand culture and the University applies this concept of care equally to all international students.

New Zealand is also the only country in the world with a Student Wellbeing Strategy, underlining the value placed on student welfare.

### Taking care of our students

Personal wellbeing is essential for academic and personal achievement, especially when studying in a new country. At UP Education we do everything we can to support and care for our international students.

### Coping with a new culture

Adjusting to a new culture takes time. Our homestay families, tutors, welfare and pastoral care staff are always on hand to offer guidance and support. Students can also choose from a range of social, sporting, cultural and religious groups, which may help with emotional and spiritual health.

### Personalised care and attention

We create a link between personal wellbeing and academic studies, supporting students to achieve their full learning potential.

Our International Centre assists students with practical and personal challenges, as well as immigration matters, visas, insurance, accommodation, and banking. It's a great place for students to access information about living and studying in New Zealand.

### Sonder Student Safety app

We have partnered with Sonder, a 24/7 personal safety and wellbeing service, to support all our international students. The Sonder app is for personal devices and has a number of features, like "Track My Journey" and "Check On Me", that will help students live and study in New Zealand with confidence – if you are walking alone at night, going on a first date, or meeting up with a stranger.

Additionally, if you are feeling stressed, anxious, lonely or simply don't know who to turn to, you can speak to Sonder's multilingual support team anytime via live chat or phone, and they can even send in-person assistance if you need it.

# How to apply?



Visit Enroller, our online enrolment portal, where you will be able to set up your account and manage the entire enrolment process from application through to arrival.

> enroller.app/up-education-university-partnerships/enrolment-application

### Step 1. Application

Create a secure account and complete the application form with the guidance of a step-by-step process. Ensure that you have the following documents ready to be uploaded:

- Copy of passport
- Copy of your most recent school reports or other qualifications
- · Evidence of achieving the minimum English proficiency requirement

### Step 2. Offer

Once your application has been received, the Admission Team will assess it and issue an offer letter accordingly. You will be able to review and update the required documents up until accepting an offer.

#### Step 3. Accept

Within this stage, signed acceptance documents are uploaded and payment is made via Flywire\*.

\*Students from certain countries, such as India, China, Vietnam, Russia and Turkey, should not pay fees until a Visa Approval in Principle (AIP) has been obtained from Immigration New Zealand.

#### Step 4. Pre-arrival

Apply for a student visa and prepare for arrival.

This stage allows the sharing and confirming of the essential pre-arrival information such as visas, accommodation, insurance details and orientation documents.

# **University of Auckland**

Top-ranked New Zealand
University for Graduate Employability

(QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020)

For more information on how you can work in New Zealand after you finish your degree, visit: <a href="mailto:immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand">immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand</a>

/apply-for-a-visa/visa-factsheet/post-study-work-visa





### Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students

UP Education, and its schools, is a signatory to the Education (Pastoral Care of International Students) Code of Practice 2016 (the Code). Published by the New Zealand Ministry of Education and administered by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA), the Code is designed to ensure international students are well informed, safe and properly cared for. Visit: nzqa.govt.nz/the-code

UP Education partners with leading universities in New Zealand and Australia to provide learning pathways to international students, equipping them with the knowledge, skills and confidence to excel at English-language universities.

Every effort was made to present accurate information in this publication at the time of printing.

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