



LA ROCHE  
UNIVERSITY

OUTREACH AND SUPPORT FOR  
**PITTSBURGH  
PROMISE  
STUDENTS**

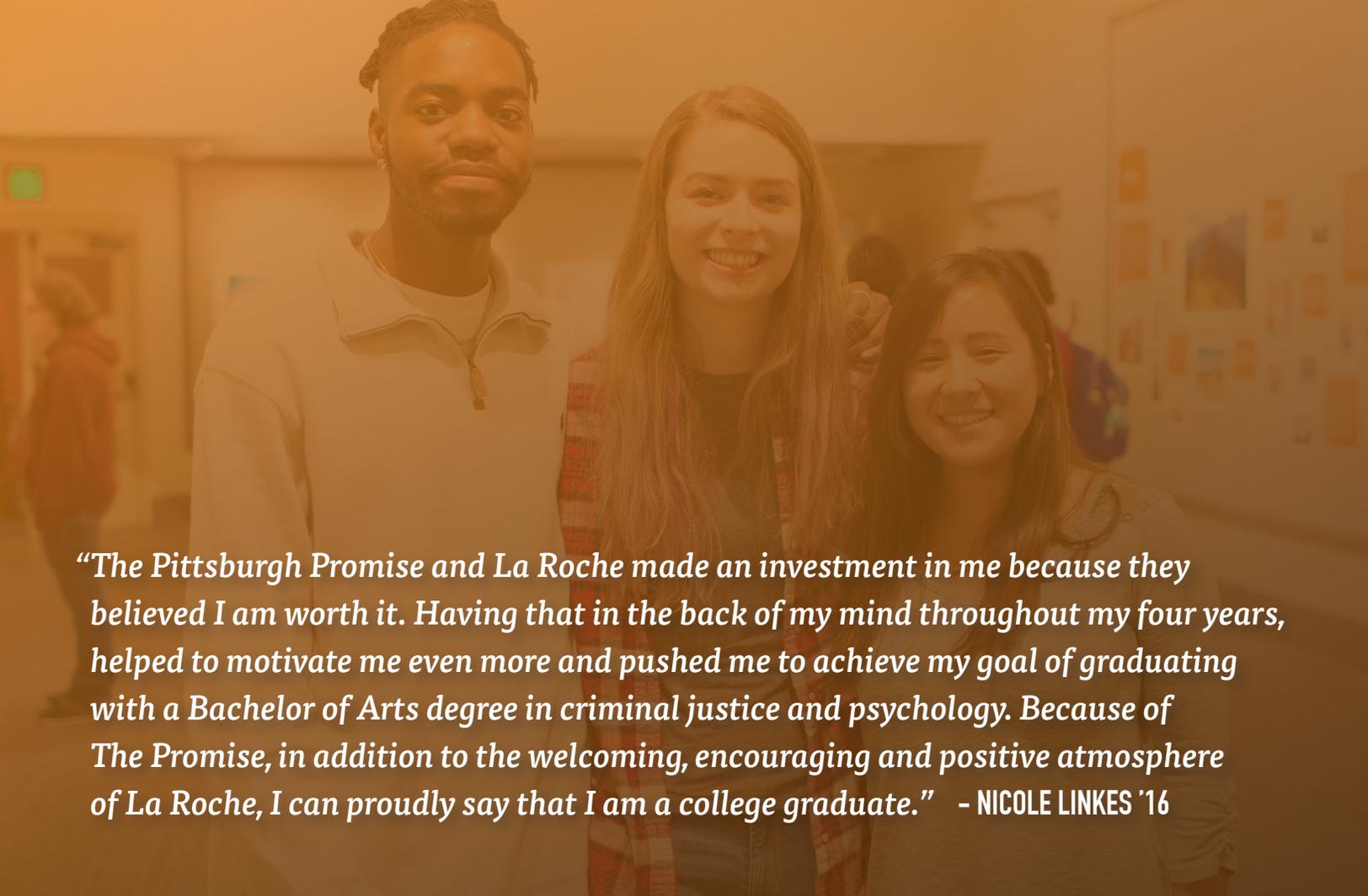


# LA ROCHE UNIVERSITY

A private, Catholic, co-educational university north of Pittsburgh founded by the Sisters of Divine Providence in 1963, La Roche welcomes students of all religions, ethnic origins and talents.

With more than 50 majors, La Roche offers programs in the high-demand fields of management, education, and health and medical sciences, as well as creative disciplines in graphic design, interior design, dance, film and media.

La Roche combines a quality educational experience with more than 30 student clubs and organizations, an exciting Div. III athletics program, social events and service learning to prepare students for life in a constantly changing global society.

A photograph of three students standing in a hallway. On the left is a young Black man with a beard, wearing a light-colored polo shirt. In the center is a young white woman with long blonde hair, wearing a plaid shirt. On the right is a young Asian woman with dark hair, wearing a light-colored sweater. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera. The background shows a hallway with bulletin boards and other people in the distance. The entire image has a warm, orange-tinted overlay.

*“The Pittsburgh Promise and La Roche made an investment in me because they believed I am worth it. Having that in the back of my mind throughout my four years, helped to motivate me even more and pushed me to achieve my goal of graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in criminal justice and psychology. Because of The Promise, in addition to the welcoming, encouraging and positive atmosphere of La Roche, I can proudly say that I am a college graduate.” - NICOLE LINKES '16*

A photograph of two young women sitting at a desk in a classroom or office setting. They are both looking down at a document on the desk. The woman on the right is wearing glasses and has her hand on the document. The woman on the left is pointing at the document. The background shows a desk with a laptop and other office supplies. The entire image has a red overlay and a large, stylized white graphic on the left side.

**DISTINCTIVE. DESIRABLE. DOABLE.  
DISTINGUISHED.**

## DISTINCTIVE

### STUDY ABROAD+STUDY USA

Domestic and international travel courses included as part of your La Roche experience

### HIGH-DEMAND MAJORS

Include business, management, education, computer science, criminal justice, and health and medical sciences

### CREATIVE DISCIPLINES

Include interior design, graphic design, dance, film and media

### GLOBALLY FOCUSED

- The diverse student body represents 37 countries, two territories and 20 states
- La Roche Experience courses examine issues of peace and justice, diversity and discrimination
- At the heart of the University's mission and core values is its Catholic identity

## DOABLE

### AFFORDABLE

- An automatic \$2,500 scholarship to all graduates of Promise-eligible high schools, stackable with awards, including the Pittsburgh Promise Scholarship
- Merit-based scholarships ranging from \$7,000 to \$14,000 per year and a generous \$5,000 resident scholarship if you choose to live on campus
- 92% of students receive financial aid

## DESIRABLE

### McCANDLESS CROSSING

Business and entertainment district within walking distance. Shops, restaurants, grocery, pharmacy, banking and entertainment

### DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH

#### 15 Minutes Away

Major metropolitan area with theaters, galleries, sports stadiums, museums, concert venues and opportunities for internships with multinational corporations

### NORTH PARK OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY

#### 3.1 Miles Away

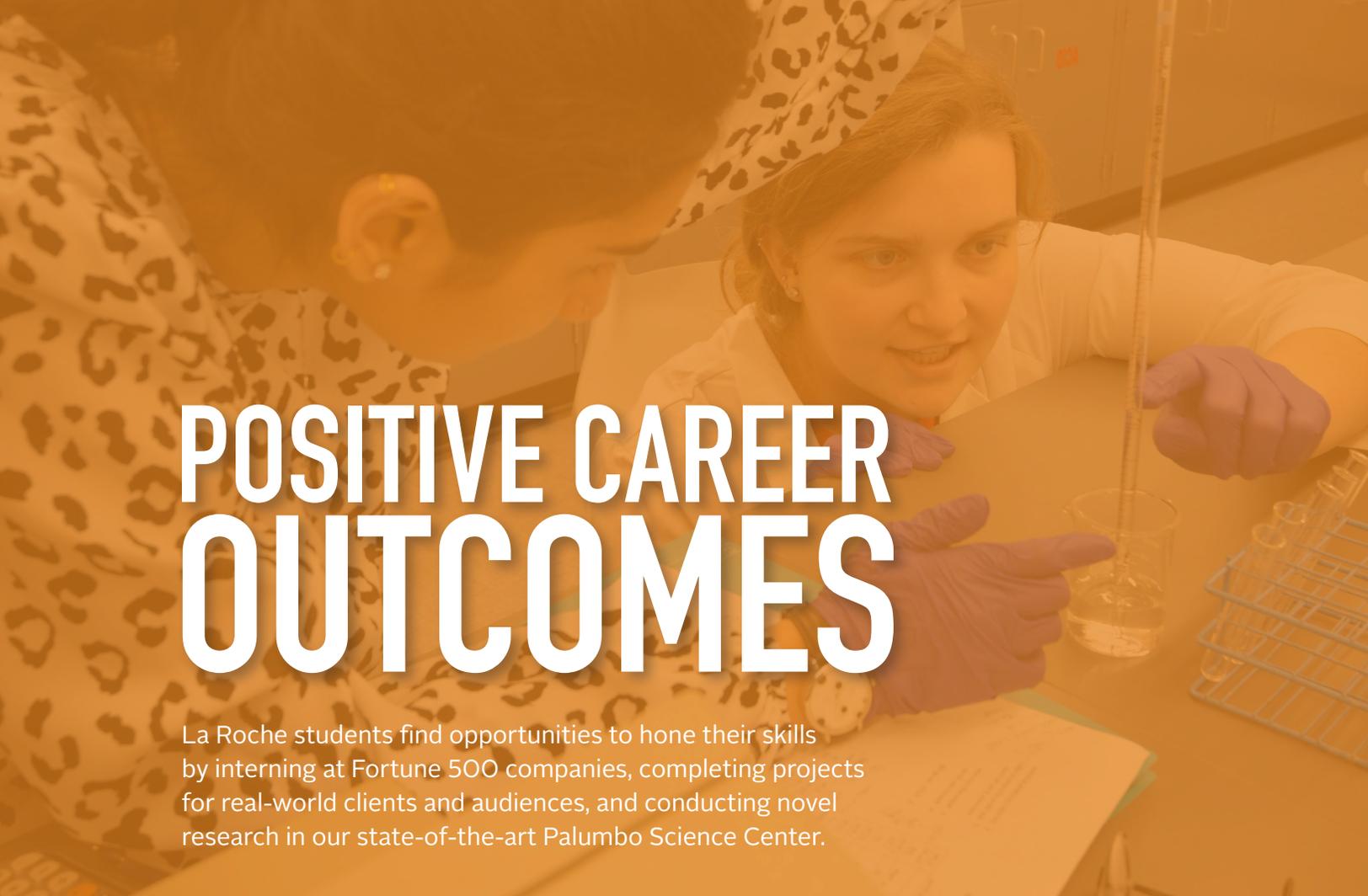
Outdoor sports and activities, exercise and restaurants

### ACADEMICS AND CAMPUS LIFE

- 12:1 student-faculty ratio
- 30+ student clubs and organizations
- Four residence halls

## DISTINGUISHED





# POSITIVE CAREER OUTCOMES

La Roche students find opportunities to hone their skills by interning at Fortune 500 companies, completing projects for real-world clients and audiences, and conducting novel research in our state-of-the-art Palumbo Science Center.



# DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

The Center for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion is committed to creating and sustaining a welcoming and inclusive environment that embraces diversity and encourages dialog across differences to increase individual intercultural competence.



# PROVIDENCE INSTITUTE

The Providence Institute at La Roche helps students who may have struggled academically in high school to reach their full potential and educational goals in college and beyond.

Through the Providence Institute, students who might not otherwise be eligible for admission to La Roche can enroll as undecided students. Providence Institute participants receive additional individualized attention from assigned peer counselors and tutors, as well as staff in the Office of Student Academic Support Services.

## **STUDY ABROAD+STUDY USA**

La Roche students have the opportunity to travel abroad or domestically at no additional cost. Study Abroad+Study USA covers the price of travel, lodging and most meals as part of their La Roche experience. Students only are responsible for passport costs, souvenirs and some food. These short-term travel courses, led by La Roche faculty and staff, have taken students everywhere from Alaska to Cuba, to China, Greece, Italy and Russia.

A photograph of three young women sitting in a row, smiling and looking towards the right. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter. The woman on the left has dark curly hair and is wearing a grey hoodie. The woman in the middle has braided hair and is wearing an orange t-shirt. The woman on the right has blonde hair in a ponytail and is wearing a black zip-up jacket.

# **SUPPORT FOR PITTSBURGH PROMISE STUDENTS**



### **JUNIOR VISIT DAYS/CAMPUS VISIT PROGRAMS**

Pittsburgh Public Schools are invited to bring a group of high school juniors to campus to learn more about the college search process.

Students can research careers, explore majors, learn about financial aid and the admissions process, and tour campus.

These visits occur during the school day, and La Roche covers the cost of school transportation and provides lunch.

### **ON-SITE PROGRAMMING/SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT**

Staff from La Roche's Office of Admissions provide on-site college preparation and workshops upon request at Pittsburgh Promise schools.

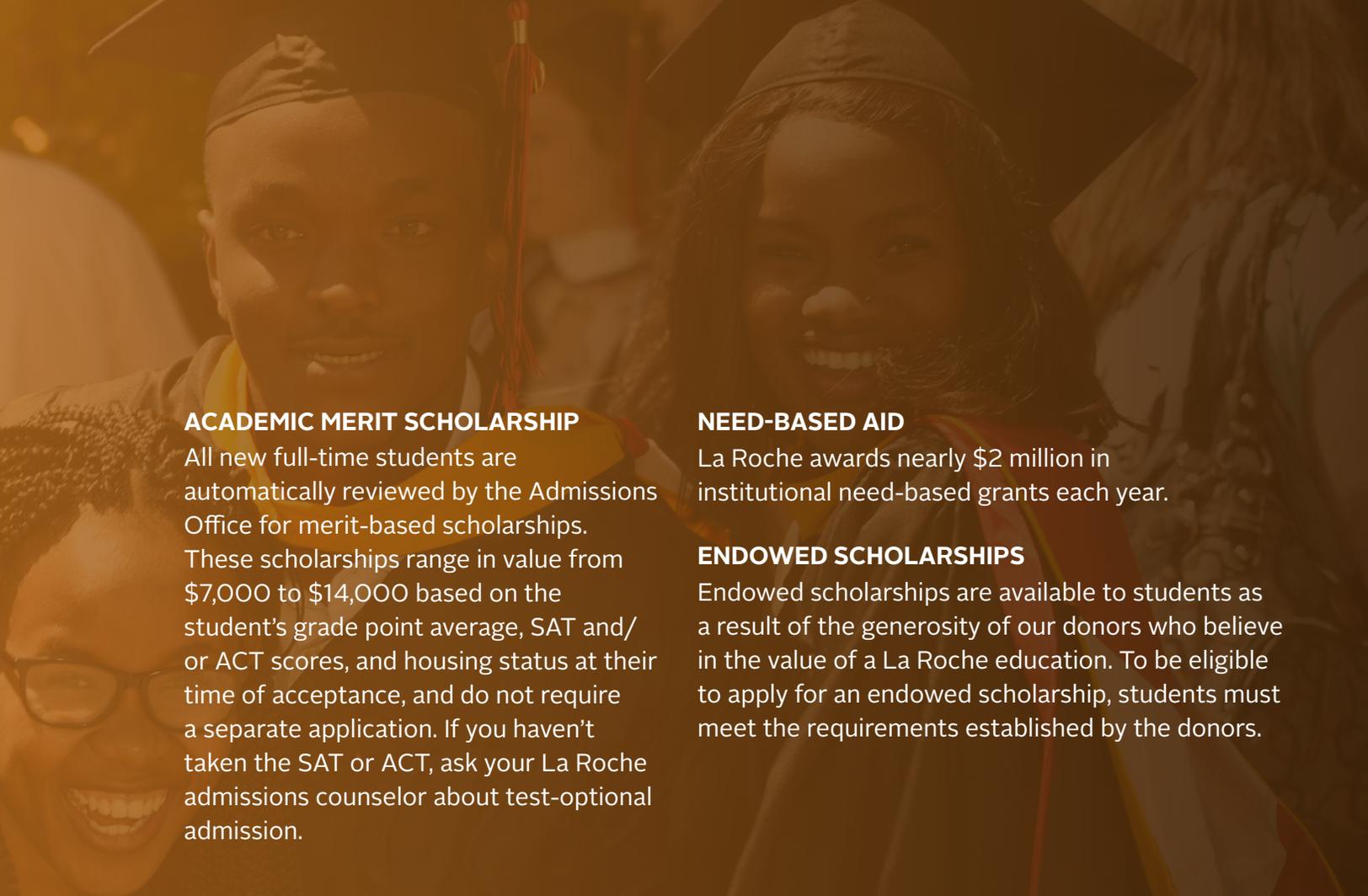
The Office of Admissions also has a dedicated admissions counselor for Pittsburgh Promise students. This counselor serves on the Parent School Community Council at Perry High School.



# FINANCIAL AID

## **FINANCIAL SUPPORT – PITTSBURGH PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP**

La Roche automatically awards a \$2,500 scholarship to any graduate of a Pittsburgh Promise High School. This award is stackable with other La Roche merit or need-based aid. La Roche began offering this award in Fall 2016.



### **ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP**

All new full-time students are automatically reviewed by the Admissions Office for merit-based scholarships. These scholarships range in value from \$7,000 to \$14,000 based on the student's grade point average, SAT and/or ACT scores, and housing status at their time of acceptance, and do not require a separate application. If you haven't taken the SAT or ACT, ask your La Roche admissions counselor about test-optional admission.

### **NEED-BASED AID**

La Roche awards nearly \$2 million in institutional need-based grants each year.

### **ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS**

Endowed scholarships are available to students as a result of the generosity of our donors who believe in the value of a La Roche education. To be eligible to apply for an endowed scholarship, students must meet the requirements established by the donors.

A photograph of two young Black women in conversation. The woman on the left has long braids and is smiling warmly. The woman on the right is looking at her and listening intently. The image has a warm, olive-green tint. The text 'ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SUPPORT' is overlaid in large white letters at the bottom.

# ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SUPPORT

## **THE STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

**OFFICE** offers a variety of resources to help students become active, independent and confident learners. Services include:

### **ACADEMIC ADVISING**

Academic advising begins at Welcome Days (our preregistration program for new students) and continues until the day a student graduates. SASS assists students in developing academic and future career goals, discovering the right major, navigating college policies and procedures, utilizing the resources needed for a successful college experience, and achieving the goal of graduation.

### **ACADEMIC COUNSELING AND TUTORING**

Students receive academic support through individualized and group tutoring sessions, supplemental instruction, peer counseling, and one-on-one appointments with a professional academic counselor.

## **ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES**

La Roche's Office of Accessibility Services empowers students with diagnosed and documented disabilities and/or medical conditions by providing reasonable accommodations and appropriate support.

This office encourages students to become confident, independent learners and advocates for their own education. All services are provided in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and deemed appropriate for the college setting.

### **CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

At La Roche career development is a process of self-assessment, occupation exploration and career planning that is integrated into the academic experience to ensure preparedness for the workplace.

Students embark on an educational and professional learning track that allows them to acquire professional skills through engagement in career activities and co-curricular experiences.



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For further information on notice of non-discrimination, call 1-800-421-3481.

**COVID-19 DISCLAIMER:** La Roche University adheres to all local, state and federal regulations and guidelines regarding the health and safety of individuals on campus.

The University reserves the right to change academic and student life conditions including, but not limited to the academic calendar, course schedules and modality during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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