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**University of Colorado Denver** 

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## AT A GLANCE



- Mid-sized, comprehensive public R1 research university
- 15,000 students; 7% international
- 150+ undergraduate and graduate programs in 7 schools and colleges
- On campus ESL Academy
- Unique location in the heart of downtown Denver







# STUDENT LIFE



- Diverse student population
- Students from 65+ different countries
- **120**+ student organizations
- Brand new <u>Student Wellness Center</u> with <u>Outdoor Adventure Program</u>
- Small class sizes
- Dedicated, full-service police department operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
- <u>Student discounts</u> to nearby museums, theatres, and restaurants







## **SAFETY**



## We keep our students safe with multiple safety systems

- University Police
- Auraria Campus Police Department (ACPD)
  - a full-service police agency
  - Operating 24 hours a day year round
- Night ride service
  - NightRider Service
  - Shuttles & Motorist Assistance
- Emergency Telephones
- Emergency SMS, Email Alerts





# **Activities & Events**



We have a ton of awesome activities & events to keep our international

students happy & engaged!









# Find out about upcoming events & activities!

Learn about life in Denver & at CU in the City!

## **International Student Events:**

https://bit.ly/events23spring

## **Student Activities and Clubs:**

ucdenver.edu/studentlife

Intercultural Engagement Certificate (IEC) - Get a cord for graduation!

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Instagram and Facebook:

- @CUDenverInternational
- @CUDenverEvents

## Whatsapp:

https://bit.ly/CUSpring23





# **CAMPUS RESOURCES**



- Bursar's Office (Pay your Bill)
- Academic Advising Centers
- Auraria Library
- Learning Resource Center (LRC)
- Writing Center
- Experiential Learning Center (ELC)
- Undergraduate Research
- Study Abroad/Office of Global Education
- Career Center
- SPA Academic Supports (Writing and Statistics)





# COVID-19 & Immunization Requirements

## **Vaccine Requirement Issued**

Be aware of your timeline if you plan to get a vaccine in your home country prior to leaving for the U.S.

Vaccines & COVID tests are available on campus

There is currently a mix of on-campus, remote, online, and hybrid course formats (see the next slide)

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)** 

**International Travel to and from the United States (CDC)** 

## Travel.State.Gov

Frequently Asked Questions on COVID-19 Vaccinations and Testing for International Travel

## **State of Colorado MMR Immunization Requirement:**

Colorado State law requires any student enrolled for one or more credit hours in higher education to comply with the State's MMR (measles 홍역, mumps 볼거리, rubella 풍진) immunization policy

# Classify Your Course





Course features often vary by the type of course you are enrolled in. Understanding the features of your course can help you better plan for success in your course environment. Take a look at the table below for some of the similarities and differences between fall 2020 course formats and their course.

		ON-CAMPUS  Taught primarily on-campus at pre-scheduled meeting times.	HYBRID  Taught with mix of pre-scheduled, on-campus meetings and flexible-schedule online learning components.	REMOTE  Taught virtually (using Zoom) with pre-scheduled meeting times. Other online learning materials provided as well. No on-campus component.	ONLINE  Taught using online learning materials with a flexible schedule. Class takes place entirely online. No on-campus components.
Meeting Location	0	On-campus	Zoom & on-campus	Zoom & Canvas	Canvas
Time	(l)	Scheduled class sessions (i.e. MW 10:00 – 11:00 am)	Scheduled class sessions (i.e. MW 10:00 – 11:00 am)	Scheduled class sessions (i.e. MW 10:00 – 11:00 am)	No scheduled meeting times
Class Delivery	•	Lecture, discussion, activities in-person, on-campus	Lecture, discussion, activities in-person and via Zoom	Lecture, discussion, activities in Zoom	Online modules with text, video, discussion, activities occurring virtually
Assignments & Activities		Delivered and completed in-person and/or via Canvas	Delivered and completed in-person and/or via Zoom and Canvas	Delivered and completed via Zoom and/or Canvas	Delivered and completed using Canvas
Interaction	000	Peers & instructor in-person	Peers & instructor in-person and via Zoom & Canvas	Peers & instructor via Zoom & Canvas	Peers & instructor via Canvas
Flex Options	<u>:~;</u>	Recordings of in-person and/or Zoom sessions at instructor discretion	Recordings of in-person and/or Zoom sessions at instructor discretion	Recordings of Zoom sessions at instructor discretion	None

# **School of Public Affairs**





Lead. Solve. Change.





# U.S. News & World Report 2023 Best Graduate Schools rankings

**#1 Best Public Affairs Program** in Colorado (#29 in the nation)

**#1** in **Environmental Policy and Management** in Colorado (#10 in the nation)

**#1** in **Nonprofit Management** in Colorado (#16 in the nation)

#1 in Public Finance and Budgeting in Colorado (#19 in the nation)

**#1** in **Public Management and Leadership** in Colorado (#21 in the nation)

**#1** in **Local Government** in Colorado (#25 in the nation)

**#2** Best **Online Graduate Criminal Justice Programs** in Colorado (#20 in the nation)

# **School of Public Affairs**



## **Doctor of Philosophy in Public Affairs**

This program emphasizes scholarship in public administration, public policy, public management, and criminal justice/criminology in preparation for positions in academia and consulting firms, public management and administration, public policy analysis, politics and advocacy, and nonprofits.







# KDI/SPA Dual-Degree Program



# **SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program**



- Program requirements at CU Denver
  - 36 total credits in "good academic standing"
  - Max 12 credits (4 courses) can be accepted from KDI applied to the SPA dual-degree requirement
- Required Courses (7 courses)
  - KDI students must take at least 4 (or more) of the SPA core classes if they do not complete them at KDI
  - SPA Core Classes (3 credits hours each )
    - PUAD 5001 Introduction to Public Administration and Public Service
    - PUAD 5002 Organizational Management and Behavior (=KDI Public Organizations and Management)
    - PUAD 5003 Research and Analytic Methods (=KDI Quantitative Method)
    - PUAD 5004 Economics and Public Finance (=KDI Analysis Market and Public Policy)
    - PUAD 5005 The Policy Process and Democracy
    - PUAD 5006 Public Service Leadership and Ethics
    - PUAD 5008 Evidence-Based Decision-Making
- Blue highlights are core classes that have a counterpart in the KDI curriculum
- Green highlights may be accepted if a similar course (PUAD 5005) was taken at KDI
- ❖ Note: SPA may accept up to three of these classes from KDI

# **SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program**



#### Elective Courses

All course descriptions can be found in the **Graduate Academic Catalog**.

#### Capstone

With the exception of those pursuing the thesis option, all MPA students must complete the capstone course during the last semester of their degree program. All core classes must be completed before taking the capstone.

- A capstone is a client-based research project that synthesizes competencies gained throughout the course of study
  for the master's programs of the School of Public Affairs. Students conduct independent research, complete a final
  written project demonstrating their qualifications and expertise, and orally present findings to a committee of faculty
  and criminal justice or public affairs professionals.
- PUAD 5361 Capstone Seminar (3 credit hours)
- ❖ Thesis is not a preferred option for KDI students



# SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program



## **CORE COURSES**

KDI SCHOOL Course

Analysis of Market and Public Policy

**Quantitative Methods** 

**Public Organizations and Management** 

#### CU DENVER SPA Course

PUAD 5004 Economics and Public Finance

PUAD 5003 Research and Analytic Methods

PUAD 5002 Organizational Management and Behavior

#### **ELECTIVES**

KDI SCHOOL course

Budgeting and Public Financial Mgt.

**Dispute Resolution and Negotiation** 

Strategic Management

Language in Public Policy and Management

#### CU DENVER SPA course

PUAD 5503 Public Budgeting and Finance

PUAD 5440 Negotiation and Conflict Resolution

PUAD 5170 Strategic Management for Nonprofit and Public Leaders

PUAD 5000 level MPA elective course

- \* Max 12 credits (4 courses) can be accepted from KDI applied to the SPA dual-degree requirement
- ❖ Blue highlights are core courses that have a counterpart in the KDI curriculum
- Green highlights are elective courses that have a counterpart in the KDI curriculum
- Syllabus documentation required and must be submitted to Scott Steinbrecher



# **SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program**



- Winterim term (January) (If offered)
  - About 2 weeks prior to the spring semester
  - Starts around January 2nd or 3rd. Classes meet 4 to 5 days per week for roughly 4-5 hours
- Spring semester (January May)
  - Recommend to take 4 core courses and maybe 1 elective course
  - If students have not completed core courses at KDI, it will be 5 core classes (See the previous page for core courses) Sometimes a core course needs to be completed during the summer can take online.
- Maymester term (May)
  - (If offered) It is about 2-3 weeks
  - Elective course to be determined
- Summer term (June August)
  - May take an online course during the summer
  - SPA also offers a few weekend intensives in the summer
  - Good summer class is PUAD 5008 Evidence-Based Decision-Making
- Fall semester (August December)
  - Capstone Seminar and, if necessary, one elective (Note: no core courses concurrent with the capstone)
- \*Arrival information: Per US Government regulations, students may not enter the US until 30 days prior to the start of classes





# **Application**

# **APPLICATION**

## **Application requirements**

## For Fall 2023/Spring 2024 admissions

- Online application
- \$75 application fee (Application fee will be waived if "KDI Dual-Degree Program" is selected)
- Transcripts (including KDI)
- Proof of English Language Proficiency
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- Resume
- Statement of Purpose

English Language Proficiency	
IELTS	6.5 overall 6.0 R, 6.0 L, 6.0 S, 5.5 W [University of Colorado Denver]
TOEFL*	80 overall 20 R, 19L, 20S, 20W [Institutional Code: <b>4875</b> ]
TOEFL*	TOEFL overall score of 85 or higher if one sub-score is 20 or below
Duolingo	105 overall

85 minimum in all sub scores

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**Graduate Admissions**]

# Application DeadlinesTermPreferredFinalFall (August)April 1May 1Spring (January)September 1October 1

<sup>\*</sup>We accept "TOEFL MyBest Scores"

# **APPLICATION FAQ**



## **Academic Interest**

so, please select this prompt.

KDI Dual-Degree Program

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Masters Only, EdS Only, or with Licenses	and/or Endorsements*		
Public Administration (MPA)	¥	What visa type do you	This question is Required and failure to answer this question will result in delays in processing
Are you interested in applying to a Fully Online program?*		have/require?	your application. If you cannot find your visa type contact Application@ucdenver.edu prior to
○ Yes	Yes		continuing
<ul><li>No</li></ul>	Leave Blank		F-1-Student
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	<b>~</b>	The sub-plan ded	as not apply to VDI/SDA dual dograp program
If you're applying as a 4+1 applicant pleas	se choose this option, otherwise do not choose anythin	o .	es not apply to KDI/SPA dual degree program
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	ute (KDI) student applying to CU Denver as part o	of your Global Master's Program?	

Application fee will be waived if "KDI Dual-Degree Program" is selected. The fee will be waived within 24 hours.

# **APPLICATION FAQ**



## **Program Questions**

	Demonstrated Quantitative Competency	
I plan to pursue the following dual degree (please know that you must apply and be admitted into both programs):  Leave Blank	Degree-Seeking Graduate Students are required to demonstrate their quantitative competency. It is required that you indicate which the following options applies to you:	
Demonstrated Analytical Writing Ability	○ I have taken the GMAT and/or the GRE	
Degree-Seeking Graduate Students are required to demonstrate their analytical writing ability. It is required that you indicate which of	I have previously earned another graduate degree	
the following options applies to you:		
the following epitolis applies to you.	I acknowledge that I am unable to demonstrate quantitative competency and that I will need to demonstrate quantitative	
○ I have taken the LSAT and/or the GRE	competency through an approved alternative route by the end of my first semester of graduate studies.	
I have previously earned another graduate degree	Insert the Math Course. * Insert the semester. * Insert the year. *	
I will upload a writing sample that highlights my writing ability and critical thinking skills.	insert the math course.	

pages and use proper citations for all source
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Analyze a public policy i

Analyze an issue facing

Choose File No file chosen

If you don't have a GRE score, a writing sample and college-level math credits will be required

- Writing Sample: A five-page paper on policy or a local government issue
- KDI school paper related to the subjects can be submitted as the writing sample (4-5 pages double-space)
- Math Course: If you did not take a math course as an undergraduate, you can substitute the KDI
  course "Quantitative Methods" or "Introduction to Research Methods" in the Math Course section

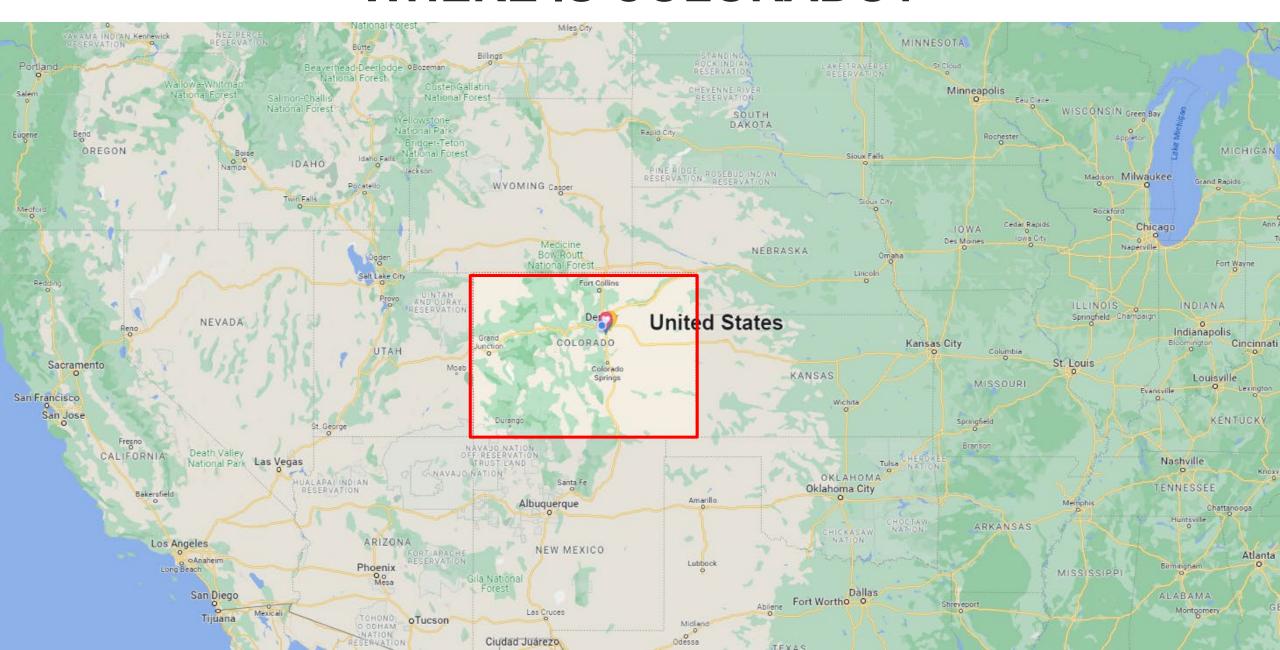
# **APPLICATION FAQ**



- Are external evaluations (ECE/WES course by course evaluations) required?
  - No. International Admissions will process international credential evaluations for KDI students.
- When do I need to submit my official transcripts (sealed university envelope)?
  - Official transcript must be submitted to International Admissions upon arrival or during the first semester to avoid registration issues for the next term. You can bring the sealed copy of your transcripts (from all schools that you listed on your application) with you when you come to the US and drop them off at the Office of International Admissions (Student Commons Building #1119).
- When my application fee will be waived?
  - Once your application is submitted, the application fee will be waived automatically within 24 hours.
- Do you offer non-degree programs?
  - Yes. You can find course information <u>here</u> (Public Administration). Please contact Haeryoung Ryu if you have any questions.



## WHERE IS COLORADO?





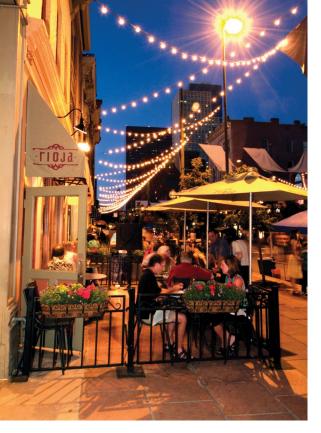




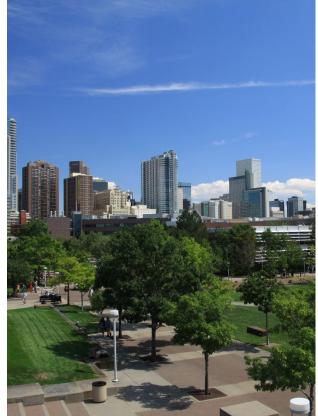


# **Colorado:** Fast Facts

- Population: 5.7 million
- 4 cities ranked in the top 20 Best Places to Live in the US: Boulder (#1) Denver (#14) and Colorado Springs (#6) Fort Collins (#17)\*
- 2<sup>nd</sup> most educated state in the US
- #2 State Economy in the US\*
- Diverse, beautiful geography
- Favorable climate with 4 beautiful seasons
- World-class skiing, snowboarding, and hiking
- Golf, camping, rafting, outdoor recreation
- Healthy living: consistently ranked among the healthiest and fittest states
- #2 State in the Technology and Science Index
- Central for travel to other places such as national parks









## IN ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST CITIES

- #14 Best Place to live in the US
- 300 days of sunshine a year
- Strongest city economy in the US

# DENVER, COLORADO

- Capital of Colorado and most populous city in the Rocky Mountain Region
- Mid-sized city, relatively safe compared to other metro areas of similar size
- High quality of life; ranked #14 Best Place to Live in the US\*
- Strong Economy; #4 Best Place for Businesses and Careers in the US\*\*
- Denver is the hub for high-tech, commercial, financial, and transportation industries in the Rocky Mountain region. It is also the cultural and educational center of the region.
- Safe and effective public transit system
- Culture & Fun: 7 professional sports teams, 25 museums, dozens of live music venues, and hundreds of restaurants
- Best of both worlds: located at the base of the Rocky Mountains, giving easy access to stunning natural spaces, National Parks, hiking trails, and outdoor activities

# List of Fun Things to Do in Colorado with Kids



- Children's Museum of Denver
  - https://www.mychildsmuseum.org/
- Denver Zoo
  - https://denverzoo.org/
- Hammonds' Candy Factory Tour Denver
  - o https://hammondscandies.com
- Denver Museum of Nature & Science
  - https://www.dmns.org/
- Denver Art Museum
  - o https://www.denverartmuseum.org/en
- Stanley Hotel Tour Estes Park
  - https://www.stanleyhotel.com/tours.html
- Cheyenne Mountain Zoo Colorado Springs
  - https://www.cmzoo.org/

- Elitch Gardens Denver
  - o <a href="https://www.elitchgardens.com/">https://www.elitchgardens.com/</a>
- Garden of the Gods Segway Tour Colorado Springs
  - o <a href="https://www.gardenofgods.com/">https://www.gardenofgods.com/</a>
- Colorado Railroad Museum Golden
  - https://coloradorailroadmuseum.org/
- Dinosaur Ridge Morrison
  - https://dinoridge.org/
- Downtown Aquarium Denver
  - https://www.aquariumrestaurants.com/downtownaquariumdenver/
- Rocky Mountain Zipline Adventure Tour
  - https://www.denveradventures.com/
- Rocky Top Glide Segway Tours Denver
  - https://rockytopglide.com/

## **DENVER: A MAJOR Domestic HUB**



Denver International Airport (DIA) is a major US hub with flights to 205+ destinations



Destination	Stops	Flight time
Chicago	Nonstop	2.5 hours
LA	Nonstop	2.5 hours
New York	Nonstop	3.5 hours
Seattle	Nonstop	3 hours
Incheon	1 stop	17 + hours

- Voted as the Best Airport in the US (Wall Street Journal, 2018)
- Located near the geographic center of the United States
- DIA is easily accessible from CU Denver via public transit, making it quick and affordable to get from campus to your home country
- DIA serves as the gateway into Colorado and the Rocky Mountain West and has direct flights to 12 destinations in Colorado, including popular ski resorts, vacation and business destinations





# **Helpful Resources**

# **CU Denver Health Insurance Plan**



## **United Healthcare**

Most frequently asked COVID-19 related questions: <a href="https://www.uhcsr.com/faqs">https://www.uhcsr.com/faqs</a>

Will testing and physician visits be covered for COVID-19?

Will treatment be covered for COVID-19?

Will the vaccines be covered?

To find a testing center near you, you can visit <a href="https://covid19testcenterlocator.uhc.com/ctcl#/CTC-Search">https://covid19testcenterlocator.uhc.com/ctcl#/CTC-Search</a>

### **CU Denver International Student & Scholar Services**

Frequently Asked Questions about International Student Health Insurance

# **Important CU Denver Links**



Туре	Contents
ONLINE APPLICATION	https://graduateschool.ucdenver.edu/admissions
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS	<u>spa@ucdenver.edu</u> +1 (303)-315-2228
INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS	intladmissions@ucdenver.edu +1 (303) 315-2382
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLOAR SERVICES	<u>isss@ucdenver.edu</u> +1 (303) 315-2230
CU DENVER HOUSING & DINING (On campus & off campus housing)	Housing@ucdenver.edu +1 (303) 315-5272
ARRIVAL IN DENVER (Public Transportation - RTD)	https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/resources/life-in-colorado/travel-and-transportation
Transportation from Denver International Airport (DEN), Finding Housing in Denver	https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/pre-arrival/arrival
COLORADO DRIVER'S LICENSE	https://www.ucdenver.edu/docs/librariesprovider190/default-document-library/colorado_dmv_final.pdf?sfvrsn=66314b9_4
LIFE IN DENVER	https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/resources/life-in-colorado
Insurance & Campus Resources for Current International Students	https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/current/regulations-procedures/health/resources
Graduate Certificates, and Graduate Credentials	https://graduateschool.ucdenver.edu/programs-of-study/graduate-and-certificate-programs#ft-certificates-credentials-and-others-3

## **Other Useful Links**



#### **School Districts**

https://www.greatschools.org/colorado/

Housing

Zillow

Trulia

Apartments.com

**Korean & Asian Grocery Stores in Denver** 

(H Mart Aurora, H Mart Westminster & M-Mart)

**Tourist Attractions In Colorado** 

State Parks - Colorado Parks & Wildlife

**National Forests In Colorado** 

10 Best Places to Visit in Colorado - Travel Video

<u>Denver Colorado: Cool Things To Do // Destinations Explained</u>

Denver Travel Guide - What to do in The Mile High City

\*Note on Housing: Most Korean students and their families tend to live south of Denver in Centennial, Greenwood Village, Lone Tree or Highlands Ranch.

Also, Westminster, Avada, Aurora, Littleton and Lakewood are good places to live where the costs are relatively lower and still have good school districts.

## **LEARN MORE**



#### **Scott Steinbrecher**

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Phone: 303 315 2755

Please contact Scott Steinbrecher if you have any questions regarding programs

and application requirements!

## Haeryoung Ryu (류혜령)

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Please contact Haeryoung Ryu if you have any other questions!

Will be visiting KDI in April (possibly Friday, April 17<sup>th)</sup>

#### Jennie Szumski

International Student Transition & Engagement Coordinator

Contact Jennies Szumski if you have any questions regarding life
in Denver and/or finding housing via Whatsapp https://bit.ly/CUSpring23



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