



UNIVERSITY OF
VERMONT

Graduation Celebration

Class of 2024

The University of Vermont

Health & Society Commencement

May 19, 2024

Honoring Health & Society

Majors & Minors

Congratulations to our 29 Health & Society Major 2024 Graduates:

- Aidan B. Austin
- Keelan E. Boisvert
- Lia T. Darling
- Abigayle H. Domingue
- Allison Glass
- Liat Grutman
- Sage S. Hannon
- Rebecca Harder
- Peter D. Hartlage
- Nadeera A. Hassan
- Makayla E. Hone
- Audrey M. Lewis
- Shannon E. MacDonald
- Tiffany D. Mai
- Elena E. Marcelli
- Evan L. Mcginness
- Paola E. Mena Henry
- Landen W. Nipper
- Elizabeth T. Oliver
- Reese T. Pattison
- Rose M. Petitti
- Maria E. Ruff
- Isabelle F. Sanchez
- Hillary L. Serota
- Faith C. Skerritt
- Hunter T. Solomon
- Sarah H. Solomon
- Lillian M. Twohig
- Yu Xin Zhao



Congratulations to our 12 Health & Society Minor 2024 Graduates:

- Annabelle F. Collins
- Kathryn B. Kirby
- Erin Mathieu
- Sophie A. Ostrovitz
- Morgan T. Roccio
- Julia A. Waal
- Nadia S. Huber
- Francesca G. Marchesano
- Cole H. Mordecai
- Paige E. Pogue
- Hattie Q. Tetzlaff
- Nico E. Walton



**Congratulations to all
on your hard work and
dedication!**

Congratulations from your Health & Society professors, advisors, and staff!

- Zubi Ahmmad • Kenneth Allen • Michael Ashooh • Maria Mercedes Avila
- Nathalie Mathieu-Bohl • Noah Barclay-Derman Kevin Beard • Karen Benway
- Farryl Bertmann • Lynn Blevins • Deborah Blom • Thomas Borchert • Sara Bourne
- Vicki Brennan • Charlie Briggs • Mary Burke • Peter Callas • Joshua Cheney
- Marilyn Eldred • Kathy Fox • Alex Garlick • Bernice Garnett • Anthony Gierzynski
- Kelsey Gleason • Jennifer Gunderman-King • Jean Harvey • Deborah Hinchey
- Amy Hughes-Lansing • Kirsten Isgro • Dale Jaffe • Allan Kellehear • Ellen Kozelka
- Daniel Krymkowski • Jennifer Lai • Shamila Lekka • Winnie Looby • Marilyn Lucas
- Rycki Maltby • Teresa Mares • Jacob Martin • Alan Maynard • Evan Maynard
- Katherine Merrill • Bindu Panikkar • Elizabeth Pope • Jennifer Prada • Alessandra Rellini
- Andrea Rosenkrantz • Jon Shaffer • Jeanne Shea • Sara Solnick • Grace Spadoro
- Jonah Steinberg • Jennifer Strickler • Bikki Tran Smith • Christine Vatovec
- Srinivas Venugopal • Jaqueline Weinstock • Karen Westervelt • Susan Whitman
- Elizabeth Winterbauer • Rosemary Wosky • Laura Webb

Awards!

Departmental Honors in Health and Society:

- Keelan E. Boisvert
- Lia T. Darling
- Abigayle H. Domingue
- Rebecca Harder
- Makayla E. Hone
- Elena E. Marcelli
- Paola E. Mena Henry



Academic honor awarded to top students majoring in Health and Society with an HSOC major GPA of at least 3.75 and an overall GPA of at least 3.5.

- Rose M. Petitti
- Isabelle F. Sanchez
- Hillary L. Serota
- Sarah H. Solomon
- Lillian M. Twohig

Outstanding Senior Award in Health and Society:



- Keelan E. Boisvert
- Abigayle H. Domingue
- Makayla E. Hone
- Elena E. Marcelli
- Lillian M. Twohig

Award granted to graduating seniors in Health and Society who demonstrate extraordinary academic achievements in the major as evidenced by their GPA, challenging coursework in the major, and significant participation and leadership in activities related to the intersection between society and health. Chosen from students with departmental honors.



Phi Beta Kappa Honors Recipients:

HSOC Majors:

- Makayla E. Hone
- Paola E. Mena Henry
- Lillian M. Twohig

HSOC Minors:

- Maddie Gourley
- Frankie Marchesano



Phi Beta Kappa is a highly selective honors society for undergraduate students who have demonstrated high academic achievement in the liberal arts and sciences. Members include 17 U.S. Presidents, 42 Supreme Court Justices, and more than 150 Nobel Laureates.

Health & Society Majors:

Aidan Austin

Pronouns: He/Him

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Nutrition & Food Sciences

Future Hopes/Plans: To attend my chosen post-grad nursing program and spread the glory of socialized medicine.



Keelan Boisvert

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minors: Global Health Anthropology, Behavioral Change Health Studies, and Integrative Health & Wellness Coaching

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be continuing my education through the University of Vermont's Accelerated Masters of Public Health program. I am also working as Richmond Family Medicine's Community Health Educator Clinician where I hope to engage with my coaching, anthropology, and public health background. From there, I hope to work abroad and ultimately conduct research focused on infant and familial healthcare.



Lia Darling

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Health & Society, and Psychological Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I aim to pursue a career in a field that incorporates my passions for public health, mental wellness, and environment health. My goal is to create public health initiatives within educational institutions, advocating for the incorporation of nature exposure to enhance overall well-being.



Liat Grutman

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Health & Society, and English

Minor: Writing

Future Hopes/Plans: I plan to pursue a Master's degree in Public Health and embark on a career in Public Health and Healthcare Policy. Following my previous work in maternal health policy, I am dedicated to continuing this vital effort.



Sage Hannon

**Majors: Psychological Science, and
Health & Society**



Rebecca Harder

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Health & Society, and Anthropology

Future Hopes/Plans: In the upcoming years, I plan to solidify my interests within the field of health. I am currently applying for jobs at health non-profits and other health organizations in Vermont and the Boston area. Many of the jobs I am looking at align with my interests in public health, disability, and aging, specifically Alzheimer's disease and dementia.



Peter Hartlage

Pronouns: He/Him

Major: Health & Society

Minors: Biology, and Chinese

Future Hopes/Plans: I plan to pursue a career in the field where I can integrate my focus on the understanding of biological determinants as integral to upstream intervention into public health. After this, it is my hope to resume my education, working towards a Master's and PhD with a view to dedicate myself ceaselessly towards the development of the biotechnological means to immortality.



Nadeera Hassan

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minors: Special Education, and Nutrition & Food Sciences

Future Hopes/Plans: I will take a step into the education field to acknowledge my love and passion for working and being around children. Yet, my passion extends beyond the classroom walls. I aspire to further my education with a focus on mental health, driven by a desire to advocate for and support the underrepresented. My goal is to be a catalyst for positive change, ensuring that every individual, especially those marginalized by society, receives the attention, care, and resources they deserve for their mental well-being.



Makayla Hone

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Political Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I am continuing my education with the accelerated masters program in Public Health at UVM. I hope to work with communities and implement health promotion programs that boost community wellbeing.



Audrey Lewis

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Biology

Future Hopes/Plans: I am in the Accelerated Masters of Public Health at UVM currently so I am hoping to work in the public health field in Vermont while finishing up my Masters degree. From there I would really love to do some work outside of the US but who knows where life will take me!



Shannon MacDonald

Major: Health & Society

Minor(s): Public Communication, and Reporting & Documentary Storytelling

Future Hopes/Plans: After graduation, I will be working at a marketing firm in Winooski. I hope to someday work in the field of health communications!



Tiffany Mai

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Health & Society, and Chinese

Future Hopes/Plans: I want to get my Ph.D. in Epidemiology and work my way up to be a Dean! For now, I hope to continue my work with ECAASU, and I hope to get my career going!



Elena Marcelli

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Nutrition & Food Sciences

Future Hopes/Plans: It is my goal to continue gaining clinical experience and work toward applying to medical school. Eventually, I would like to become an Emergency Medicine Physician and engage in public health advocacy work.



Evan Mcginness

**Majors: Psychological Science, and
Health & Society**



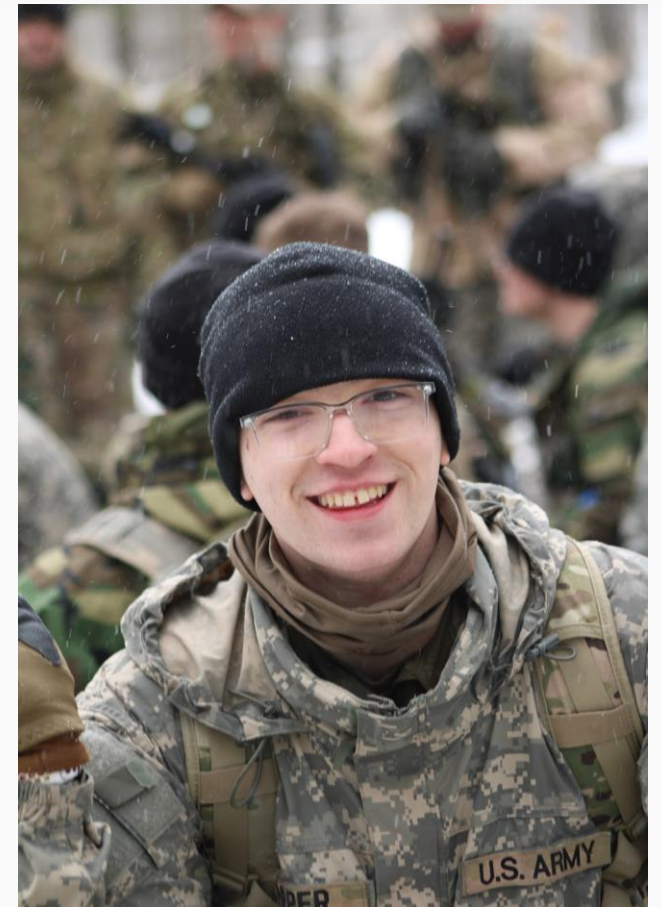
Landen Nipper

Pronouns: He/Him

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Emergency Medicine

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be continuing my education through the Professional and Continuing Education (PACE) program at UVM in order to complete prerequisites for Physician Assistant school while taking a local paramedic program. I am hoping to use this knowledge to expand and improve the recently created specialty of prehospital medicine.



Elizabeth Oliver

Nickname: Liz

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Theatre

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be taking the next year off to work as a dental assistant, to gain exposure in this field, and hopefully continue my education towards earning a Doctorate of Medicine in Dentistry.



Reese Pattison

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Psychological Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I hope to move to the city of Boston, find employment which puts me in a position to make a positive impact on the maternal health crisis, and eventually attend graduate school to continue my education in public health.



Rose Petitti

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Biochemistry, and Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be continuing my education through the University of Vermont's Accelerated Masters of Public Health program. It is my goal to pursue a career involving disease surveillance and biostatistics to better understand disease distribution.



Maria Ruff

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Special Education

Future Hopes/Plans: I recently accepted an offer to work as a Support Preschool Teacher in Williston VT. As a teacher, I am excited to build lasting, positive relationships with the students and to support their health and development at such a critical milestone.



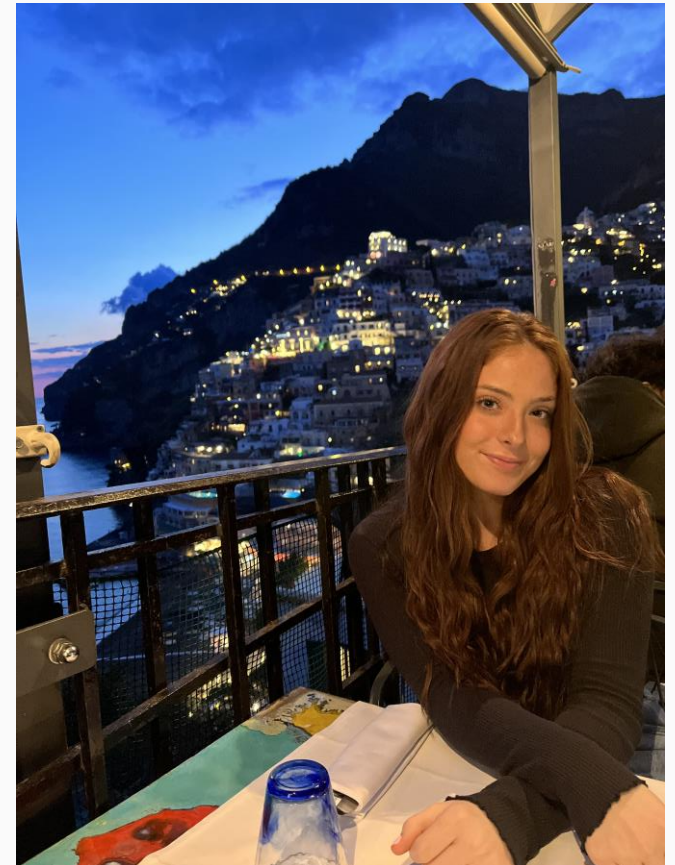
Hillary Serota

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minors: History, and Writing

Future Hopes/Plans: After graduating from the University of Vermont, I plan to continue my studies and work towards becoming a Nurse Practitioner. As the first step towards accomplishing this long-term goal, I will be working as a Nurse Technician at a local hospital back home in New York.



Faith Skerritt

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Health & Society, and Political Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I aspire to work in health policy and create a more inclusive and equitable health system for marginalized communities, particularly focusing on maternal mortality for people of color. I want to give back to my community and effect positive change.



Hunter Solomon

Pronouns: He/Him

Major: Health & Society

Minors: Nutrition, and Emergency Medical Services

Future Hopes/Plans: Looking towards the future, I am excited to embark on a journey in healthcare. After graduation, I plan to gain valuable patient care experience as an EMT or Medical Assistant in Burlington. This foundational experience will prepare me for my ultimate goal of returning to school and advancing my career as a Physician Assistant.



Sarah Solomon

Pronouns: She/Her

Major(s): Health & Society, and Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies

Minor: Psychological Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I plan on going back to school to get my MPH with a concentration on Maternal and Child Health. It's my goal to help in securing reproductive rights for people with uteruses across the nation.



Lillian Twohig

Pronouns: She/Her

Majors: Health & Society, and Psychological Science

Minor: Political Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I would love to explore a number of career options before committing to just one path! I enjoy teaching and education, public health work, political work, and just working with people in any form, so I plan to explore as many of these areas of work as I can before settling!



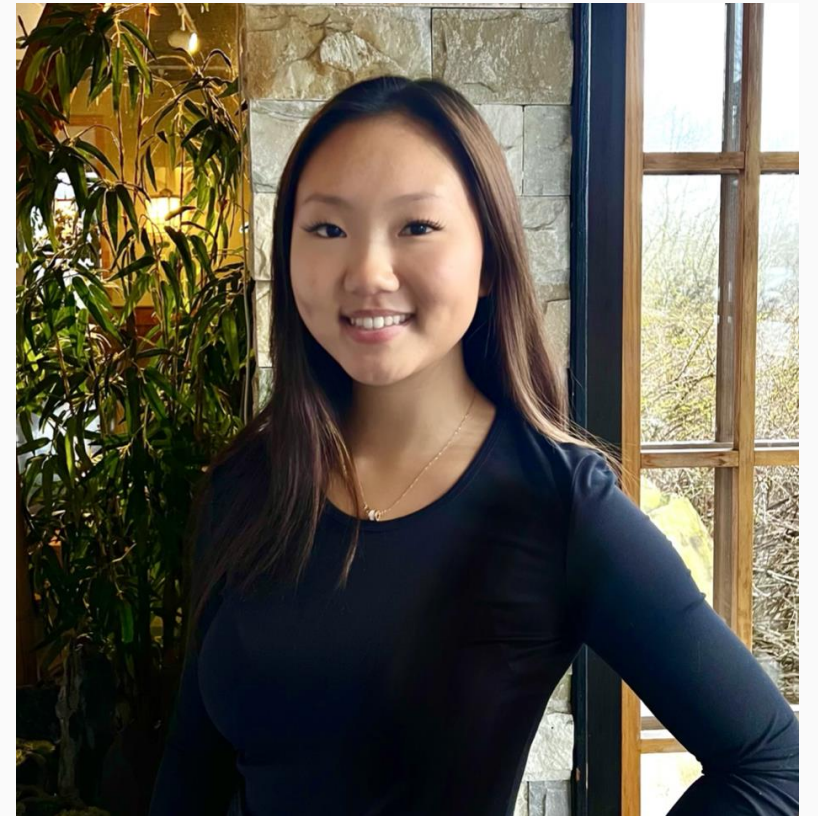
Yu Xin Zhao

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Health & Society

Minor: Chinese

Future Hopes/Plans: My academic journey at the University of Vermont profoundly influenced my interest in healthcare and policy, shaping my ambition to contribute meaningfully to this field. Consequently, I am determined to pursue specialized legal education in Boston, focusing on medical malpractice. This path aligns with my commitment to advocate for those affected by healthcare disparities and to effectuate change within the healthcare legal framework.



Health & Society *Minors*:

Annabelle Collins

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Anthropology with Global Health Concentration

Minors: Psychological Science, and Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be working at Boston Children's Hospital as a Clinical Research Assistant in their Cardiac Neurodevelopmental Program. From there, my goal is to get my Doctorate in clinical psychology.



Nadia Huber

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Neuroscience

Minors: Health & Society, and Biology

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be continuing my education through the University of Vermont's Accelerated Masters of Public Health program. From there, I hope to attend Physician's Assistant school and carry my knowledge of Public Health into my clinical work.



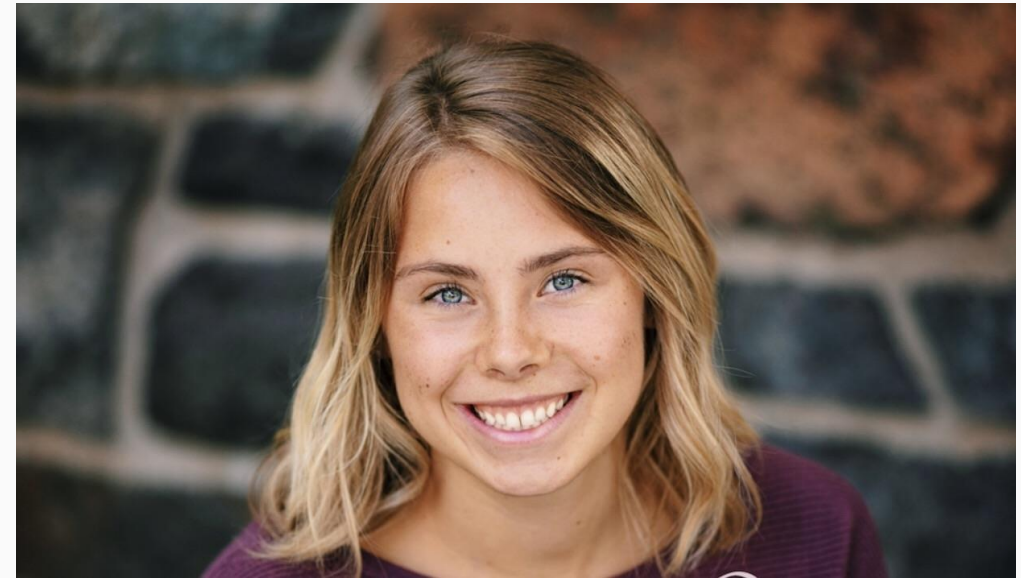
Kathryn Kirby

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Psychology B.S

Minors: Health & Society, and Nutrition & Food Science

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be continuing my education at the University of Vermont, hopefully pursuing a career in the medical field.



Francesca Marchesano

Nickname: Frankie

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Global Studies

Minors: Environmental Studies, and Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: I hope to attend nursing school in the fall. From there, it is my goal to travel and apply my learning in professional environments around the world. I am passionate about health equity and aim to foster positive change.



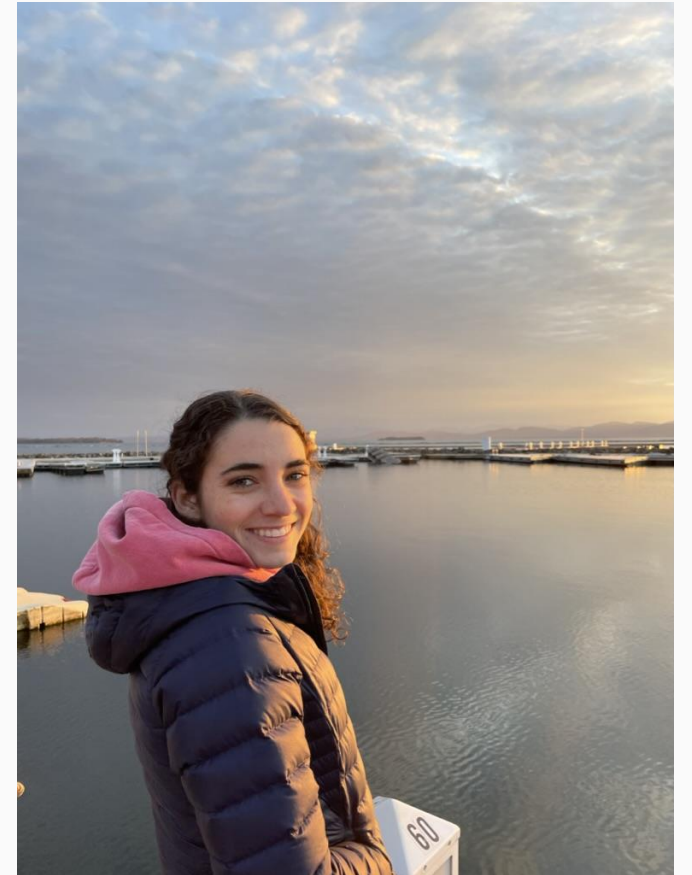
Erin Mathieu

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Biological Science

Minor: Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: After graduation I will be working as a Research Assistant at Harvard Medical School. From there I hope to continue my education with either a Masters or PhD in Cellular and Molecular Biology.



Cole Mordecai

Nickname: Mordecai

Pronouns: He/Him

Major: Biology

Minor: Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: I hope to go on to medical school and hope to go into the fields of Emergency Medicine or Pediatrics.



Sophie Ostrovitz

Major: Sociology

Minors: Religion, and Health & Society



Paige Pogue

Major: Environmental Sciences

Minor: Health & Society



Morgan Roccio

Major: Psychological Science

Minor: Health & Society



Hattie Tetzlaff

Pronouns: She/Her

Major: Geography & Geosciences

Minors: Health & Society, and Global Studies

Future Hopes/Plans: I will be back home in Portland, Maine after graduation taking on an interning role in regional conservation planning! I hope to continue my education soon by attending graduate school in California!



Julia Waal

Pronouns: She/her

Major: Psychological Science

Minor: Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: This summer I will be working as a Registered Behavior Technician where I will be applying my background in psychology, health, and childcare to working with children with Autism.



Nico Walton

Pronouns: They/He

Major: Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies

Minor: Health & Society

Future Hopes/Plans: Working at the VYCC farm, putting together "prescription" CSAs for the Health Care Share Program.





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*Congratulations to our
graduates!*



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