

# Make char16/32\_t literals UTF-16/32

P1041 – Targeting Core Language

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# Motivation

- p1025r1 – Update the Reference to the Unicode Standard formally in the Working Draft
  - No longer need copy-pasted, handwaved definitions of UTF-16 and UTF-32 for `char16_t` and `char32_t` (“surrogate”?)
  - No longer need to reference UTF-8 through 2003 ECMAScript standard

## Solution – Standardize Existing Practice

- Every surveyed compiler so far has just implemented UTF-8/16/32 as specified by the Unicode Consortium's Unicode Standard
  - One of the most existing-iest, de-facto practices we are aware of
- Implementers have 0 work to actually do
  - Gives users confidence they can work with UTF-16/32 without being afraid of possible handwaving implementations

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# Wording

- The paper has wording and is ready to send to Core