

School of Engineering Weekly E-Newsletter

Week of March 13, 2017

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Important Dates:

** Mid-semester grades out—
March 14

** Deadline to withdraw with “W” —
April 4

If you need assistance, please contact
your [advisor](#)



Internships, Jobs, Fellowships, & Graduate School

[New: NCCAVS Undergraduate Scholarship Opportunity
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For more information visit:

[http://enr-advising.ucmerced.edu/resources/
career-resources/internships-research-
opportunities](http://enr-advising.ucmerced.edu/resources/career-resources/internships-research-opportunities)

Advising/Student Services

Don't forget to check us out on [Facebook](#)!

Need to contact your academic advisor? Check [here](#) for more information.

Visit our website at <http://enr-advising.ucmerced.edu/>

Academic Advising

Advising WALK-IN

Advisors are on Appointment only until March 24th

****See advising website for your advisors specific availability****

Last Names A-E (all students) – Nadia Margison

(nmargison@ucmerced.edu)

Last Names F-L (all students) – Christina Mayo-Hessler

(cmayo@ucmerced.edu)

Last Names M-Q (all students) – Phung Colvin

(pcolvin@ucmerced.edu)

Last Names R-Z (all students) – Karla Gonzalez

(kgonzalez34@ucmerced.edu)

Resources

Stem Resource Center– Free tutoring, STEM courses

Location: AOA 114

Website: <http://stemresourcecenter.ucmerced.edu/>

Tutoring Schedule:

<http://stemresourcecenter.ucmerced.edu/tutoring>

Bright Success Center– Peer Assisted Learning Support
available start **February 2nd**.

Location: KL 222

Website:

<http://learning.ucmerced.edu/programs/tutoring>

Note: Please check the website as the schedule will continue to develop. All sessions are **free** of charge, no sign-ups needed.

Center for Career & Professional Advancement (Career Services)

Center for Career & Professional Advancement has open walk-in hours every day from 10 am to 2pm to assist you with career related questions.

If you would like to talk to the STEM Career Specialist, Robert Goodman, please email him at rgoodman@ucmerced.edu.

Spring 2017 Semester

ANNOUNCEMENT!

Walk-In hours and **appointment** times have changed!

Advisors will be seen during APPOINTMENT ONLY until March 24, 2017.

Please be sure to check our advising website for specific times.

<http://engr-advising.ucmerced.edu/see-my-advisor>

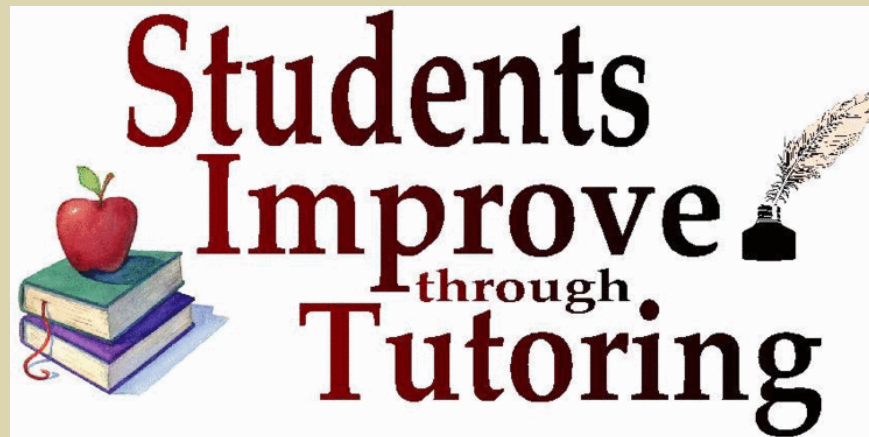


Spring 2017 Semester

Tutoring

Mid-term exams are upon us!

Don't forget about tutoring at the [STEM Resource Center](#) and [PALS Program](#)!



Spring 2017 Cohort!

Jump Start Your 3rd Year!

Is this your second year at UC Merced? Are you an Engineering Student? Did you start here as a freshman student? If you answered yes,

Please make your appointment regarding Jump Start Your 3rd Year!

Let us get a “jump start” on preparing for your 3rd year of college as a School of Engineering student!

Topics to be discussed will include (but not be limited to):

- How's school going?
- What are your plans for after graduation?
- Are you already involved in internships/research/volunteering?
- Have you visited the Center for Career and Professional Advancement?



* Holds was placed on March 10, 2017

Fall 2016 Semester

THE MATH CENTER

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mathcenter.ucmerced.edu

Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/ucmmathcenter/

Learn math with us!

Monday - Thursday
11:30am - 6:30pm
SSB 320

The Math Center provides UC Merced undergraduates with support for all math-related coursework and questions by offering extensive hours of availability, instructor involvement, and experienced teachers.

Check out our friends at:



bit.ly/PALS_Schedule



stemresourcecenter.ucmerced.edu

Commencement Information

Calling all Spring 2017 and Summer 2017 graduates!

If you've completed over 90 units, you may be eligible to participate in Commencement 2017!

New location for Commencement 2017: The Carol Tomlinson-Keasey Quad

CEREMONY INFORMATION:

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & SCHOOL OF NATURAL SCIENCES

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2017 -- 9:00 A.M.

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, HUMANITIES, AND ARTS

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017 - 9:00 A.M.



GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

Eligible candidates (undergraduate and graduate) who are completing their degree requirements must have a [Graduation Application](#) on file with the Registrar prior to completing the [Commencement Participation Registration Form](#).

If you are a senior planning to graduate, you will need to complete the [Graduation Application](#) for the term in which you will complete your degree requirements.

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Graduation Information

Calling all Spring 2017 and Summer 2017 graduates!

Please reference the application deadlines below:

Graduation Term	Graduation Application Deadline	Commencement Registration Deadline
Spring 2017	February 15, 2017	February 15, 2017
Summer 2017	June 15, 2017	February 15, 2017

For questions regarding your Graduation Application, please contact the Office of the Registrar at: registrar@ucmerced.edu.

COMMENCEMENT PARTICIPATION APPEALS:

[Commencement Participation Appeals](#) may be submitted by students who wish to participate in Commencement 2017, but are scheduled to complete their degree in Fall 2017 or later. Appeals are reviewed individually and granted on an **as-needed basis only**. The deadline to submit a participation appeal is March 20, 2017.

TICKETS AND PARKING:

Each commencement participant will receive eight (8) guest tickets and a maximum of two (2) parking permits. Distribution information will be sent out during the spring semester.

WEBSITE & ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

The [Commencement website](#) is now live and you will be able to find the answers to several of your questions there. If you have any additional questions, please contact us at any time via email at commencement@ucmerced.edu.

Workshops, Events & Sessions

Engineering Service Learning Workshops

Sign-up for any of the following events at:

<http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/events>

Learn to Solder

Food will be provided to registered attendees of this workshop.

By the end of this skill session, students will have a working understanding with basic soldering skills.

If you have any questions, please contact us at esl@ucmerced.edu

Monday, March 13, 2017

2:00 pm —3:30 pm

S&E 160

[http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/
events/introduction-soldering-o](http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/events/introduction-soldering-o)

MATLAB: Advanced

Food will be provided.

This workshop will build on the previous sessions to build a student's working knowledge of MATLAB.

If you have any questions, please contact us at esl@ucmerced.edu.

Thursday, March 16, 2017

11:00 am—12:00 pm

SSM 154

[http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/
events/matlab-advanced](http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/events/matlab-advanced)

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Engineering Service Learning Workshops

Sign-up for any of the following events at:

GIS: Special Topics

Food will be provided.

This workshop will expose students to the essentials of Geographic Information Systems (GIS). GIS are designed to capture, store, manipulate, analyze, manage, and present all types of spatial or geographical data.

If you have any questions, please contact us at esl@ucmerced.edu

Friday, March 17, 2017

10:00 am—2:00 pm

SSM 209

<http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/>

[special](#)



MATLAB Like a Pro!

Food will be provided.

This workshop will build on the previous sessions to build a student's working knowledge of MATLAB.

If you have any questions, please contact us at esl@ucmerced.edu.

Tuesday, March 21, 2017

11:00 am—12:00 pm

SSM 154

[http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/
events/matlab-pro](http://engineeringervicelearning.ucmerced.edu/events/matlab-pro)

[events/gis-
-topics](#)

Workshops, Events & Sessions

CITRIS Workshops

Sign-up for any of the following events at:

<http://citrис.ucmerced.edu/calendar/2017-03>

MAC Workshop #4: Intellectual Property

March 14, 2017

5:30 pm—8:30 pm

COB 2 140

Workshops

Resume and Cover Letter Workshop

~~February 8~~

~~SSB 230~~

~~3 PM - 4 PM~~

~~March 7~~

~~SSB 250~~

~~10 AM - 11 AM~~

April 5

SSB 230

3 PM - 4 PM

Learn how to attract an employer's attention
with a targeted resume and cover letter.

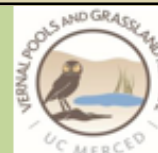
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Center for Career &
Professional Advancement

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Workshops

Naturalist Training Course Vernal Pools and Grassland Reserve



Spring 2017



Hiking, nature study, bird watching, fun!



Course is meant to provide UCM students with the background, knowledge and hands-on experience to become student naturalists and lead trips in the Vernal Pools and Grassland Reserve. Non-credit. No cost!



Topics Covered



- Introduction to Reserve ecosystem: endangered habitats and organisms.
- Common animals, birds and plants of the Reserve: identification, habitats, range, diet and foraging
- Navigating the Reserve: maps, features, orienteering, and using a GPS
- Avian raptors: predator-prey relations
- Invasive plants: characteristics, adaptations and impacts
- Local hydrology, climate and weather patterns



Schedule & Time

Mondays, 9-11:50am
Feb 6- April 24, 2017

Location

107 Social Science &
Management Building

**To Register: Contact Mo Kolster, Reserve
Director, at mkolster@ucmerced.edu**

Graduate School on your Mind?

California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education

Saturday, April 8, 2017 | University of California, Merced
8:00 am-4:00 pm

The Forum is an all day event designed to acquaint students from underrepresented groups with the academic and career opportunities associated with advanced study in a wide range of disciplines.

Open to: Sophomores | Juniors | Seniors | Master's Candidates
** (minimum GPA of 3.0 recommended for all students)

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All participating students must register for the forum at: <http://www.caldiversityforum.org/register> by using the registration code: **bobcat2017**. will get a confirmation email with event details.

2017 Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education

UC Merced will be hosting the **2017 Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education**. The Forum will be held on **Saturday, April 8, 2017**, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. This is a great event designed to encourage student who come from underrepresented groups to get acquainted with academic opportunities in graduate education. Between 1,000 to 1,200 diverse undergraduates and master's students will attend from the northern UCs and CSUs, and many of the northern California privates (Stanford, UOP, USF, Mills, etc.).

and subject specific workshops on

- ♦ Physical Sciences & Math
- ♦ Arts & Humanities
- ♦ Life Sciences
- ♦ Social Sciences
- ♦ Engineering & Computer Science
- ♦ Education
- ♦ Behavioral Sciences
- ♦ Health & Human Services

Plus! **Graduate Recruitment Fair**

Featuring **150+ recruiters** from across the nation

The Forum will provide **FREE LUNCH**.

Register now — space is limited!

To participate in the Forum, please visit: caldiversityforum.org/register.

The registration code is: **bobcat2017**

UC Merced: Graduate Division

For more information: grad@ucmerced.edu

Opportunities

The DREAM CAREER ACADEMY

The Dream Career Academy has been designed to empower undocumented students through a six-week, small group, interactive career seminar managed by the Center for Career and Professional Advancement.

The program will meet every Friday for six (6) weeks

FEBRUARY 17, 2017 - MARCH 24, 2017
11 AM - 12:30 PM | SSB 250

The program is restricted to 15 students per session in order to optimize interaction by all seminar members

DEADLINE TO APPLY : WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2017

CONTACT: MYRA FERNANDEZ
MFERNANDEZ29@UCMERCED.EDU

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hire.ucmerced.edu
careercenter@ucmerced.edu
SSB 230



Opportunities

NCCAUS Undergraduate Scholarship Opportunity

The Northern California Chapter of the AVS (NCCAUS) is awarding an undergraduate scholarship for student(s) who show exceptional promise in areas of interest to the AVS. The AVS is an interdisciplinary, professional society that supports networking among academic, industrial, government, and consulting professionals involved in a variety of disciplines - chemistry, physics, biology, mathematics, all engineering disciplines, business, sales, etc. through common interests related to the basic science, technology development, and commercialization of materials, interfaces, and processing area.

The scholarship is for \$5,000 per year, renewable up to four years as long as the student remains in good standing with a minimum 3.0 GPA. The student must be enrolled full time in a scientific or technical area of study relevant to the AVS. The awardee will receive a complimentary student membership in the AVS and will be given the opportunity to participate and organize the NCCAUS annual equipment exhibition, technical symposium, and student poster session.

Requirements for the scholarship include:

- First or second year undergraduate student enrolled in a 4-year college or university within the geographic bounds of the NCCAUS (which includes California zip codes 93700-96099 and Nevada)
- Declared major in a field that displays relevance to the AVS.
- Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA

To apply, submit the following materials to nccaus_scholarship@avs.org:

- A one-page statement of purpose, describing the applicant's career interests and how it may be relevant and contribute to the mission of the AVS. (See <http://avs.org/About> for more information)



*Science and Technology
of Materials, Interfaces, and Processing*

- One letter of recommendation from someone who can assess the student's potential for areas of interest to the AVS. (The letter may be sent separately by the reference)
- Unofficial Academic Transcript. Abbreviations of classes should be correlated with class titles if not provided on the transcript. Official Transcripts will be required prior to award

Applications are due no later than Mar. 31, 2017. The award will be announced by May 19, 2017.

Opportunities



<http://maces.ucmerced.edu/>



**Merced Nanomaterials Center for
Energy and Sensing (MACES)
Undergraduate Research Fellowship, UC Merced
Summer 2017**

<http://maces.ucmerced.edu/summer-undergraduate-research-program>

Stipend/Duration: \$3,200; June 5 – August 4, 2017

Eligibility: Full-time UC Merced undergraduate students with at least two semesters of college experience (GPA 3.0 or above); US citizen or permanent resident status

Application Deadline: **April 1, 2017**

Application materials:

- Unofficial transcript
- Contact information of one reference
- 300 word statement of research interests
- Name of preferred (and second choice) MACES faculty advisor:
<http://maces.ucmerced.edu/summer-undergraduate-research-program>

Email application to: Petia Gueorguieva, pgueorguieva@ucmerced.edu

Opportunities

Have you submitted your HENAAC scholarship application yet? Don't delay, submit TODAY!

The Great Minds in STEM™ (GMiS) 2017 HENAAC Scholarship Application Portal is Now Open!

DEADLINE: 11:59 PM PST, April 30, 2017

Graduating high school seniors, undergraduate students and graduate students, who intend to or are currently pursuing a science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) degree at an accredited college/university in the U.S. or Puerto Rico, are encouraged to apply for these merit-based scholarships. Students must have an overall minimum 3.0 GPA and must be of Hispanic descent or demonstrate strong leadership or service within the Hispanic community.

Scholarship awards range from \$500 - \$10,000.

Scholarship recipients will be invited to attend the 29TH HENAAC Conference, from October 18 – 22, 2017, in Pasadena, CA. Great Minds in STEM subsidizes over \$850 in registration, travel and housing for the Scholars to attend this conference, where they will meet their sponsors, be awarded their scholarship and formally recognized as new members of the GMiS Scholars Society.

SAVE THE DATE!
HENAAC Conference
Pasadena, CA
October 18-22, 2017



[LEARN MORE](#)

Sign up to be a mentee:



[Scholarship FAQs](#)

Types of scholarships:

Corporate / Government Sponsored Scholarships – These scholarships are made possible thanks to our dedicated scholarship sponsors from corporate America, federal agencies and affinity groups.

Special Recognition Scholarships

- **Intel Scholarship** – These highly-competitive \$10,000 scholarships are awarded to qualified [graduate students pursuing a computer science, IT or related software development degree](#). Recipients may also have the opportunity to receive a Letter of Intent from Intel.
- **U.S. Navy STEM Scholarship** - These highly-competitive \$10,000 scholarships are awarded to qualified [graduating high school seniors](#), who have a minimum 3.0 GPA, and will be pursuing a STEM degree at a [Hispanic-Serving Institution \(HSI\)](#). During their first semester in college, these scholars have the opportunity to apply for the Student Employment Program, which provides them a summer internship and continued funding through their undergraduate career, so long as the student maintains a competitive GPA.

In Memoriam and Personal Scholarships - Great Minds in STEM awards some very special scholarships, which have been established in the loving memory of an endeared supporter of GMiS or have been established by long-time supporters and dear friends of GMiS. Scholarships begin at \$500.

Please visit the GMiS website to learn more about the various types of scholarship



[LEARN MORE](#)

Follow Us Here:



HENAAC Scholarship Application Website:

<http://www.greatmindsinstem.org/college/scholarship-application-information>

Opportunities

Intern Opportunity

Post Date: March 1, 2017

Closing: March 21, 2017

Start Date: April 17 desired

Title: Intern – Energy Careers Experience Program

Term: Through August 31, 2017, with possibility of term extension based on performance and organizational need.

To Apply:

Application Period: March 1-21, 2017

Applications will only be accepted during the application period stated above.

Interested individuals who meet minimum requirements should email a Cover Letter stating their interest in and qualifications for the position, as well as a resume outlining relevant work and/or academic experience to the Green Communities Project Manager, Jeremy Terhune, at jeremy.terhune@valleyvision.org.

Reply to: jeremy.terhune@valleyvision.org

Subject Line: Energy Careers Experience Program- (YOUR COUNTY)

• Minimum Qualifications:

- Valid driver's license
- Reliable transportation for frequent business-related travel
- Current vehicle insurance and vehicle registration
- Ability to work in the United States
- Academic background in Engineering or Business
- Strong communication skills
- Ability to dedicate at least sixteen (16) and up to thirty (28) hours per week to a paid position
- Adherence to all safety requirements

• Desired Qualifications:

- Strong interpersonal skills (e.g. ability to respond to challenging questions posed by utility customers)
- Commitment, length of service
- Responsible, driven, self-sufficient
- Professional demeanor
- Problem-solvers
- Resident of target outreach area
- Experience in Agricultural Industry and/or small business strongly preferred
- Knowledge of small business operations, farm operations, mechanics, and general understanding of electricity and natural gas industry strongly preferred

• Physical Requirements:

- Office (approximately 50%):
 - Sitting, standing, walking
 - Keyboard use
- Site Visits (approximately 50%):
 - Driving to and from site in the intern's personal vehicle
 - Exposure to the elements (e.g. temperature, humidity, wetness, dust, fumes)
 - Kneeling, squatting, bending
 - Walking on uneven ground

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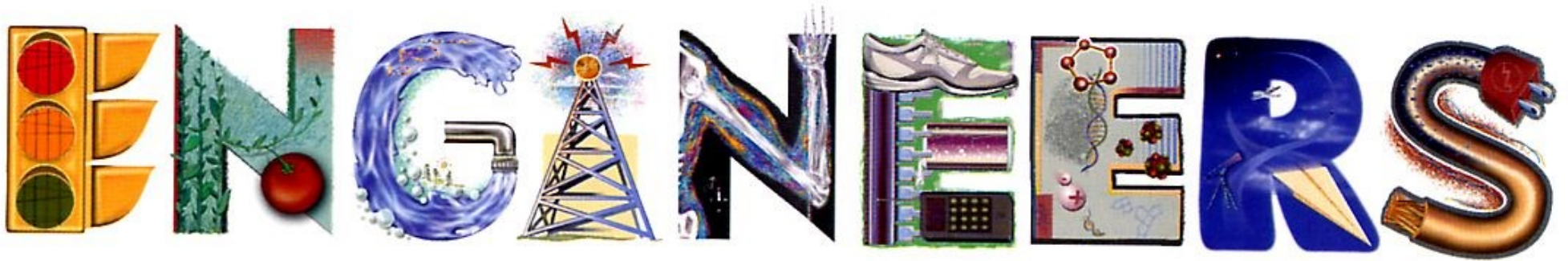
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Engineering Humor



MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

