

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

Spring 2023

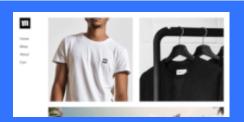
January 17, 2023 – May 12, 2023

Add Class Online: January 17, 2023 – January 23, 2023 (By 4pm) Add Class w/ Instructor Signature. Late Add Form Required: January 24, 2023 – February 6, 2023 (By 4pm)

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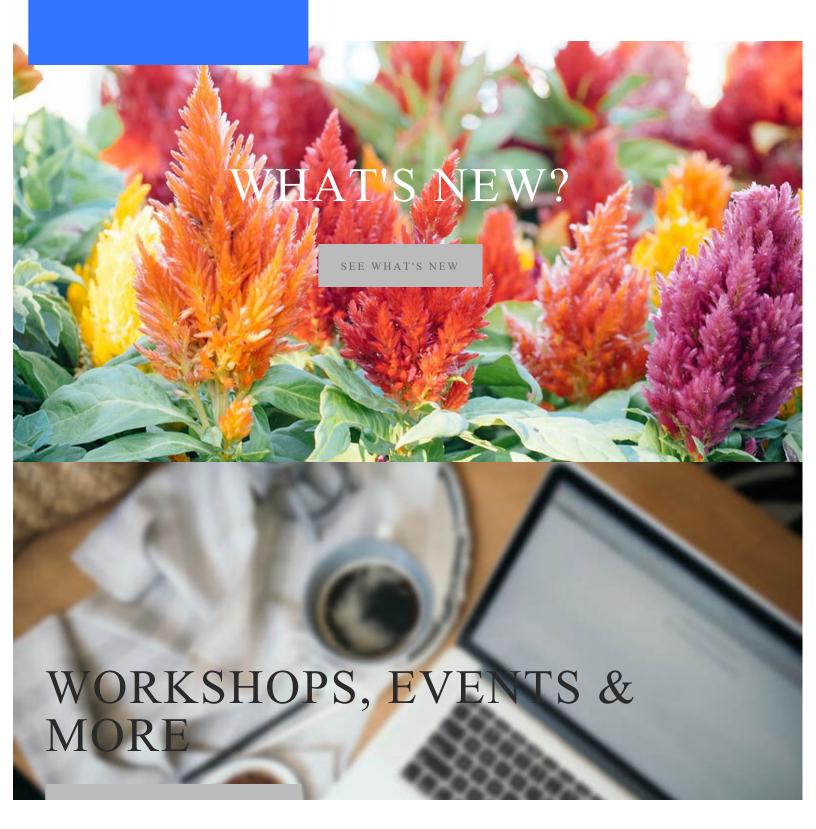
line: January 17, 2023 – February 6, 2023 (By 4pm)

Grades: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 (at noon)



n Class with Instructor and Dean's signature. Course rm Required: February 7, 2023 – April 4, 2023 (By 4pm)

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING ONLINE FORMS













ENGINEERS WEEK

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

There are several different professional development virtual workshops that range throughout the entire semester.

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Resume & Cover Letters: 2/10, 3/10, 4/28



Getting Experience to Gain an internship: 2/24

Career Fair Networking & Interviewing: 3/3

Build Your Skills & Qualifications: 4/7

Career Options Discovery: 3/17, 4/14

Entrepreneurship & Market Research: 4/21

Events | Student Career Center (ucmerced.edu)

THE CAR TECH

- The CAR TECH lab in the Management of Complex Systems Department is conducting a 2023-2024 UC Merced Campus Travel Survey. We invite all UC Merced students, faculty, and staff to participate in this annual survey.
- The survey will provide valuable feedback to campus planners on transportation programs and experiences, helping us to understand areas for improvement of our transportation infrastructure, prioritize active transportation improvements, and better understand what factors encourage walking, biking, and public transportation on campus and in our community.





By sharing your experiences with getting to and from campus, you can help us improve transportation programs and infrastructure for a better community.

Prizes: Ten \$50 Amazon gift cards and one Amazon Fire tablet



We would greatly appreciate it if you could share the survey with your group and encourage participation. The survey takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and all responses will be confidential. As an added incentive, participants will have the chance to win one of ten \$50 Amazon gift cards or the grand prize of an Amazon Fire tablet. We anticipate that chances of winning will be better than 1 in 100!

 You can access the survey by following this link https://ucmerced.az1.qualtrics.com/.../ SV 8ffsw4t5PIgHU7Y

SOLVE AN EXCITING PROBLEM IN CARDIOLOGY WHILE ATTENDING AN INFORMATION SESSIONS



GREEK LIFE! SPRING '23 RECRUITMENT



As we enter into the Spring Semester, we would love to bring to your attention to get involved on campus in the best way possible, **Greek**Life! Spring '23 Recruitment is fast approaching, so with that said, here are the recruitment dates for the various branches of Greek Life available to all students!

Spring 2023 Recruitment Dates:

- Social Fraternities: January 30th -February 4th, 2023
- Panhellenic Sororities: February 3rd -5th, 2023
- Professional Fraternities: February 6th -12th, 2023
- NALFO & Multicultural Sororities: February 6th 19th, 2023

If you are interested in **General Recruitment**, here is the **registration link** down below: https://ucmerced.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4
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For Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment, please utilize this registration link: https://ucmerced.mycampusdirector2.com/landing/

For more information about recruitment, please follow this page. You can also listen to some of the testimonials some of our members have shared with us.

WANT TO WIN UP TO \$5,000? LEARN HOW TO ENTER THE 'POLLUTION PREVENTION WORKS: A STORYTELLING CHALLENGE FOR STUDENTS'



The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released a new video with detailed instructions and other information to help students create a highquality submission for the "Pollution Prevention Works: A Storytelling Challenge for Students." The Challenge invites high school and college students to tell a story with videos, written stories, infographics or story maps that illustrate how U.S. businesses found through EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) P2 Search Tool are reducing toxic chemical releases through innovative pollution prevention (P2) practices that have a positive impact on the environment and communities. Participants have a chance to win up to \$5,000. The new video includes background on P2 and the TRI. P2 is any practice that reduces, eliminates or prevents pollution at its source. P2, also known as "source reduction," is the "ounceof-prevention is worth a pound-of-cure" approach that helps businesses succeed. The TRI is an EPA resource for learning about toxic chemical releases and pollution prevention activities reported by industrial and federal facilities. EPA will award a total of \$50,000 in prize money through the storytelling challenge. Awards will be given to individuals and/or teams in two categories: High Schools and Colleges/Universities. All entries must be submitted by Feb. 17, 2023. Read more about EPA's Pollution Prevention

program.

Read more about EPA's Toxics Release Inventory

THE INCLUSIVE STEM TEACHING PROJECT



The Inclusive STEM Teaching Project, a NSF Improving Undergraduate STEM Education program, is hosting a six-week Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) from March 6 - April 28, 2023 via edX. Join our community of nearly 8,000 faculty, postdocs, graduate students, and staff, and register for our online course this spring. By participating in this course, you will learn how to:

- Advance awareness, self-efficacy, and ability to cultivate inclusive classroom environments;
- Support your development as a reflective, inclusive practitioner;
- Engage in reflection and discussion around topics of equity and inclusion across a variety of institutional contexts;
- Implement inclusive teaching methods in your classes which will remove common barriers and enhance learning in STEM for all students.

In addition, there are more than 200 trained facilitators running optional learning communities at institutions around the country. If you are interested in joining a learning community, please express that interest here.

UCF COMPUTER VISION RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES

The University of Central Florida's Center for Research in Computer Vision (CRCV) will be hosting a Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) this summer. This year's research will focus on Computer Vision topics such as Crowd Counting, Cancer Detection, and Autonomous Vehicles. The summer program will provide experience in Deep Learning frameworks implemented in languages such as Python, as well as many other indispensable skills which students will be able to add to their resumes.

Our goal with this program is to introduce students to one of the most cutting-edge fields in computer science. Many of the alumni from this program have succeeded in publishing papers from their summer projects and have gone on to procure positions at very prestigious companies and universities.

We encourage you to share this message with any parties that you feel may be interested in or could benefit from such an experience. Students may apply at https://www.crcv.ucf.edu/nsf-projects/reu/.

UCSB SEA TURTLE FIELD COURSE AND EXPEDITION 2 WEEK PROGRAM | COSTA RICA | SUMMER 2023

Created by a graduate from UC Santa Bárbara - Bren School of Environmental Science & Management, BIOMA has provided to over one thousand university students worldwide with a two-week academic & high-quality sea turtle

UCSB Sea Turtle Field Course & Expedition Group

Costa Rica | Summer 2023 | 2 Week Program

Merging science, new skills, professional development, community immersion and adventure!



experiential learning and hands-on research experience. Our participants collaborate side by side with experts to learn about sea turtle biology, ecology and management while doing impactful on-site conservation work and living in a local community.

Student teams (about 14 like-minded students per group), will build skills of real-world application, boost their resume and knowledge while discovering incredible landscapes at Costa Rica's Pacific sunshine coast.

Join us at **BIOMA** and **APPLY** to not only learn about sea turtles and science. **It's about connecting people and creating an unbreakable bond between science and humanities. Program Highlights:**

- Affordable, university student tailored, two-week hands-on research and conservation program with endangered sea turtles and experts in the field.
- Some students can gain academic credit (4 units) through internship or independent studies (depending on the University).
- Travel to one of the most bio-diverse, safest and happiest countries in the world, Costa Rica.
- Become part of a wonderful local coastal community.
- Make friends and build connections with other like-minded students

- Boost your resume with an official Certificate from the Costa Rica Ministry of Environment.
- Apply what you learned in class into the field and connect with people & nature.
- Over 15 years of experience and more than one thousand students.

Come Join us! "Limited spaces available".

HOW STUDENT-LOAN DEBT, OR NOT HAVING IT, SHAPES LIVES

Viewing Your Awards Online

go to connect.ucmerced.edu/student



"Student debt is a new stratification system," says Professor Charlie Eaton. "It confers a set of advantages at the end of college for people who are debt-free over people with student debt." https://www.wsj.com/articles/how-student-loan-debt-or-not-having-it-shapes-lives-11669575228? mod=hp featst pos3

Understand your aid package by meeting with a UC Merced Financial Aid Advisor and use the Estimated Direct Costs Worksheet - Direct costs are those costs paid directly to the university and billed through your UC Merced student account. Your actual direct costs will vary depending on factors such as attending full or part-time, living on or off campus, purchasing University health insurance, etc. To make it easier to determine your direct costs, we've created the UC Merced Undergraduate Direct Costs Worksheet.

THE INSTITUTE FOR BROADENING PARTICIPATION (IBP)

Undergraduate scholarships and tips on applying

UNDERGRAD

Graduate fellowships and tips on applying

GRAD

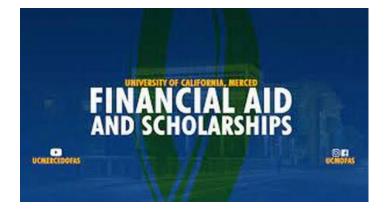
TUTORIAL

Video tutorial on how to use our advanced search page

If you have questions, Liv Detrick would be happy to help. Please email her at ldetrick@ibparticipation.org

SCHOLARSHIPS

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UC MERCED EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

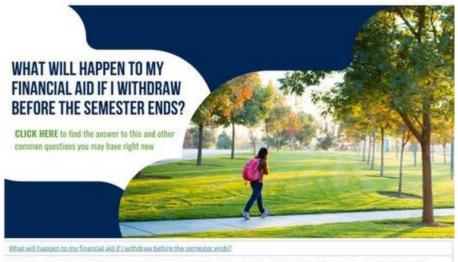


UCMERCED FINANCIAL AID



UCMERCED FINANCIAL AID VIDEOS

UCMERCED FINANCIAL AID FAQS







ACADEMIC REMINDERS!!!!



Remember to check deadlines & the academic calendar.

Links to check deadlines and view the academic calendar for Spring 2023.

Deadlines | Office of the Registrar (ucmerced.edu) Academic Calendar 2022-2023 | Office of the Registrar (ucmerced.edu)

MANDATORY TRANSFER ADVISING

In an effort to continue our conversation from the summer, all first semester transfer student will be required to meet with an academic advisor for a one-on-one appointment this Fall semester. During this appointment we will discuss:

How your currently doing in your courses

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izing MyDegreePath planner (here is a how to video)

greePath, click on the "Plans" tab

" or for BioE only select "20-21 Transfer – "

- 5. Name plan
- 6. You will need to move everything from the left side to the right side.
 - 1. If there are items you think you already completed, leave on the left side
 - 2. Make sure to select technical electives
- 2. Schedule an appointment with an academic advisor via the **online appointment system**.
 - 1. Click on the "Make an appointment with..." link under an advisor's name
 - 2. Select a day and time.
 - 3. Fill out the information requested, then click "Schedule Event."
 - 4. Check your email, you will receive an email confirmation with your appointment information.
- 3. Show up to your appointment on time! If you arrive more than 5 minutes after your scheduled appointment (in person or via Zoom), you will not be seen and will have to reschedule the appointment.

PROBLEM OF THE MONTH



We would like to announce that the first "Problem of the Month" for this semester has been posted on the Applied Math

website: https://appliedmath.ucmerced.edu/news-events/problem-month

You can also see the problem in the attached pdf file.

In case you are new to the Problem of the Month, you can challenge yourself to solve an interesting math problem every month during the semester.

Any method, analytical or numerical, can be used.

You can find the detailed instructions on the

webpage.

The submission deadline is Monday, March 6. We will have a problem solving session on Tuesday, March 7 (COB2 290, 4:30-5:30pm), where noteworthy solutions will be presented by students and the lucky winners (Amazon gift cards \$50/\$25 as well as a departmental glass) will be decided.

This semester, we will also start "Math Circle" using our monthly problems. The first monthly meeting is Thursday, February 23, 12:30-1:30pm, in ACS 362B.

We look forward to receiving your creative and interesting solutions! If you have any questions, please send an email to Profs. Lei, Yue and Changho Kim.

UROC UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PRESENTATION TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP

Are you interested in <u>presenting</u> your research at a conference? Apply for a Research Travel scholarship to receive funding for conference registration, transportation tickets, and/or hotel fees.

The Undergraduate Research Travel
Scholarship is available to help any UC Merced
undergraduate student researcher present at a
conference.

The funding will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis (for students that provide all necessary information and complete the



CONFERENCE, BUT DON'T HAVE THE FUNDING?

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- · Must be an enrolled UC Merced undergraduate student researcher (open to all disciplines)
- · Confirmation that your abstract/project that was accepted to present at a conference

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- · Name of paper, poster, presentation, or creative project
- Link to conference website
- Conference agenda/schedule
- Confirmation of abstract presentation/invitation to present
 Estimated cost of registration/transportation fees/lodging.

You may apply for funding before or after the conference!

If you have questions please email uroc@ucmerced.edu or visit https://uroc.ucmerced.edu/travelscholarship



application). Students are eligible for up to \$750.00 (stipend disbursement) to cover conference registration, transportation costs, and hotel/lodging fees (an exception to cover other costs such as meals and incidentals will be considered on a case by case basis).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be an enrolled UC Merced Undergraduate Student Researcher (open to all disciplines)
- Confirmation that your abstract/project that was accepted to present at a conference.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Name of paper, poster, presentation, or creative project
- Link to conference website
- Screenshot of conference agenda/schedule
- Confirmation of Abstract Presentation/Invitation to present
- Screenshot of registration costs
- Screenshot of quote for transportation costs (tickets for plane, bus, or train only), if applicable.
- Screenshot of quote for cost of

hotel/lodging, if applicable.

APPLICATION & DECISION PROCESS:

- Use this link to apply for the Academic Senate Travel Scholarship.
 - Fill out the entire form. We will not process incomplete forms.
- After submission of your application, an email will be sent to your PI/faculty mentor notifying them that you will be considered for a travel scholarship to present your research.
- Once you have submitted your application, please allow one week for the application to be processed. If your application is accepted you will receive an award letter outlining your scholarship amount and the date of disbursement.

Undergraduate Research Travel Scholarships will be available until funding runs out. You may apply for this funding before or after your conference date. You, the applicant, are responsible for making any purchases using the stipend. UROC will not be responsible for reserving your spot as a presenter, making hotel reservation, or purchasing transportation tickets. Please visit the financial aid page to learn more about financial aid disbursement or visit this link to set up a meeting with financial aid.

LEARN MORE or APPLY NOW

:VALLE! GET YOUR START IN TECH! APPLICATION OPEN!



Since 2018, ¡Valle! Get your start in tech! has enabled undergraduate students in STEM to meet each other, build skills and confidence, and access rewarding experiences in research or graduate school.

On Saturday March 4 and Sunday March 5, there will be opportunities to engage in tech, teamwork, and networking activities on UC Merced campus. Parking is free on weekends. All food will be provided, including a special mentor dinner at Bella Luna.

This year, Valle VISTA will focus on agriculture, natural resources, and how technology can assist in addressing some of our greatest challenges in the San Joaquin Valley. You'll see yourself as part of the solution.

By walking through the ¡Valle!, you will:

- build communication and networking skills
- learn a new coding skill with Google Earth Engine
- learn about career pathways
- increase your confidence and sense of belonging in STEM
- prep application materials to your next adventure
- grow your community, network, and make connections with students like you
- get insights into the many opportunities open to YOU

Apply today!

Applications are due Monday, February 20, 2023 at 11:59pm PST and you'll be notified on Friday, February 24, 2023 of acceptance.

Please share this information and flyer with fellow members of your organization and anyone you'd think would be interested. We are looking for a variety of experiences and interests. Please

consider applying even if you have not done something like this before.

If you have issues with the file uploading or questions, please try to add a link to a pdf and create an open link on Google Drive, Box, or other tools.

¡Valle! fosters diversity in STEM by increasing the accessibility of students in STEM to research experiences, graduate school, and careers in technology. First and second year students are encouraged to apply. African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino/a, and Native American/Alaskan Native, womxn, LGBTQA+ identities and people who are blind or deaf are encouraged to apply. All applicants will be considered without regard to race or gender or other demographics.

For more information: Contact Eleanor King, eking5@ucmerced.edu

SAVANNAH RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES FIELD STATION - 2023



FLYER AND CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



Undergraduate research opportunity through the Center for cellular and Biomolecular Machines

(CCBM) at UC Merced for Summer 2023. The attached flyer contains program details. Please, consider applying if eligible. Deadline is 2/25/2023.

NSF REU: MSE - UCF



UC Merced is committed to your success during this time of remote instruction and campus operations. For resources to support your online learning, please visit our campus resources or IT Educational Continuity websites. We also want to make sure you are still meeting registration and financial aid deadlines – review the Bobcats Away Checklist for more information!

Please refer yourself to the flyer for contact information.

NSF-REU IN SMART COMPUTING AND COMMUNICATIONS AT UMBC SUMMER 2023



University of Maryland Baltimore County's Mobile, Pervasive and Sensor Computing Lab (MPSC Lab) hosts an immersive summer research program in smart computing and communications for promising undergraduate students across the country. The REU research projects will be conducted in three interrelated thrust areas of smart computing and communications: (i) security and privacy protection, (ii) novel applications, and (iii) sensing and adaptive networking. Proposed

projects will include a mix of theory and hands-on work and will leverage enabling paradigms (e.g., cloud computing, Internet-of-Things, high-speed wireless) to design, model, and implement novel techniques and solutions for smart computing and communication applications, encompassing algorithms for artificial intelligence, data mining, machine learning, edge analytics, signal processing, and big data. Some projects will also include building functional prototypes for demonstration.

Tentative 2023 REU Projects:

- 1) Smart Health: Human Activity and Behavior Monitoring for Health Assessment
- 2) Cyber-Physical Systems: Building Energy Monitoring and Leakage Detection, Modeling and Securing the Interactions between Cyber and Physical systems
- 3) Smart City: Flash Flood Detection and Damage Assessment
- 4) Machine Learning on Systems: AI/ML on Edge, Federated Learning
- 5) A Tale of Two Cities: Simulating and Implementing Communications between Robotics and Wireless Sensor Networks
- 6) Dealing with Contested Environments: Airdropping Sensors from Drones to build Selfconfiguring and Self-healing networks.

Your Maryland Experience

The paid ten-week REU program focuses on increasing the technical awareness, intellectual curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking of undergraduate students that prepares them for graduate studies or careers in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) disciplines.

Each student will select a research project and will be immersed in an active research group, led by a faculty mentor and a senior-level graduate student,

committed to actively guiding undergraduate researchers and providing a high-impact educational experience.

Participants will typically work from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, with one hour for lunch.

Undergraduate researchers are paid \$600 along with a \$120 meal allowance, per week.

How to Apply

- 1. Fill out the Google form.
- 2. Prepare the following documents.
 - Your 2-page CV
- -A one-page statement of interest that describes your motivations, expectations, and long-term objectives
- -Two letters of recommendation from faculty members
- A rank-ordered list of research projects that you are most interested in
- 3. Upload CV, SOP, and Unofficial Transcripts (combined all into one pdf file) to this box folder using the link.
- 4. Provide the reference upload link to referees. Recommendation letters from referees for each applicant should be uploaded in this box folder using the link.

Click on "Apply Now" below to complete the online application. For queries related to the application, contact Indraject Ghosh.

https://reu-scc.umbc.edu/

Important Dates

Application Deadline: Monday, March 01, 2023

Decision Notification Date: April 15, 2023

Start Date: June 05, 2023 End Date: August 11, 2023

The applicants are recommended to submit their application by the deadline for best consideration.

The application will be reviewed on a rolling basis

and a notification will be sent out after receiving all the application materials including the recommendation letters.

Please also check the Q&A webpage for application eligibility, requirements, and additional information on the program. As required by the NSF REU program for all REU grants, only US citizens, nationals, and permanent residents are eligible to apply.

Eligibility

The field of smart computing and communications thrives on the diversity of thought and experiences. We welcome applications from students from all backgrounds, ethnicities, and genders.

- Undergraduate students majoring in science or engineering.
- U.S. Citizen or permanent resident.
- Minorities and women are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Selections will be based on a combination of research interests, academic qualifications, and faculty recommendations.

Contact

For additional information please contact Nirmalya Roy (PI) at (410)-455-3182 or Anupam Joshi (co-PI) at (410)-455-2590. For program evaluation please contact Linda Hodges.

Funding

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) programs are funded by the National Science Foundation grant #CNS- 2050999.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES



NSF REU Site: Applied Computing Research in Unmanned Aerial Systems OVERVIEW

The program offers a unique opportunity to undergraduate students nation-wide to participate in applied computing research in unmanned aerial systems and their applications. The objective of the program is to provide participants unique research experiences in a stimulating environment that will involve developing secure, autonomous UAS technology and using them for knowledge discovery. The focus of this REU is to seek solutions to facilitate collection, storage, and analysis of data on the coastal environment of the Gulf of Mexico, particularly in South Texas through developing algorithms and software systems. Approximately ten students will be supported for a 10-week program from June 5, 2023 to August 11, 2023.

BENEFITS

- · A student will gain experience in applied computing research in unmanned aerial systems and their applications.
- Students will receive mentoring from experienced research faculty
- Students will be informed about graduate schools and financial opportunities such as fellowships, scholarships, and assistantships to support graduate education
- Students will receive \$6,000 as stipend (\$600 a week)
- A travel allowance to come to and return

from the site

- · Furnished housing (or housing allowance) will be provided
- · Expenses for meals (a fixed amount per day) will be provided for all participating students

ELIGIBILITY

- · Must be a US citizen or permanent resident of the United States (Students from underrepresented minority groups such as Hispanics, African Americans, Native Americans, and women are strongly encouraged to apply)
- · Must be a full-time undergraduate student (Preference category: Computer science students in junior or senior year), and not graduating before December 2023.
- · Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application and the required supporting documents can be submitted at:

https://www.nsfetap.org/award/236/opportunity/77

TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY HIRING OPPORTUNITY

Texas State University in San Marcos, TX, is looking to hire all talented undergraduate students that want to work on research and have aspirations to pursue a Graduate degree.

Our REU site consists of 6 research activities that fuse Engineering and Health-related for Smart Health and Smart City applications. The applications relate to computational engineering solutions using Machine Learning, Virtual/Augmented reality, and data analytics for children with ASD and diagnosis and people with



Multiple Sclerosis. The Smart City application involves autonomous vehicle design and deep learning computational research for firefighting and first responders.

https://reuaihealth.wp.txstate.edu/

BOSTON UNIVERSITY PHOTONICS CENTERREU



REU Applications Now Open!

MULTIPLE REU PROGRAMS

- Boston University Photonics Center hosts
 the NSF REU Site in Integrated
 Nanomanufacturing, with interdisciplinary
 nanoscale research opportunities at the
 interface between engineering, biology,
 physics, and chemistry.
- The Center hosts three additional REU programs focused on heart tissue engineering, materials science, and photonics and optics.

• All REU students work on authentic interdisciplinary research projects under the mentorship of BU faculty and graduate students.

THE EXPERIENCE

- Hands-on research in state-of-the-art laboratories at Boston University's Charles River Campus.
- Professional development sessions on graduate school, presentation skills, research ethics, and more.
- Outings and social activities.
- Research presentations at final poster session and certificate ceremony.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

- Undergraduate students majoring in science or engineering.
- Women, students from underrepresented groups, and students with limited opportunities to pursue research at their home institution are strongly encouraged to apply.

Application deadline is March 15

Apply Now! | NSF REU in Integrated Nanomanufacturing (bu.edu)

HIRING OPPORTUNITY IN SOE GRADUATE PROGRAM SERVICES



The School of Engineering (SOE) Graduate Programs Services team is excited to announce an opening for a Student Assistant. UC Merced Students (any major) are encouraged to apply for

this opportunity to support SOE graduate student programs.

Applications are due February 24th on UC Merced Handshake.

For any questions regarding the position please email Jose Medina at jmedina99@ucmerced.edu."

HIRING OPPORTUNITY IN SUSTAINABILITY



Sustainable Food Programs Intern

Must be a UC student.

Car & Driver's License Needed.

Available for the Academic Year & Summer

Apply on handshakes, Application will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Please refer to email for information.

UC MERCED SUMMER SESSION



UC Merced Summer Session
https://summersession.ucmerced.edu/

Winter Edge: The preparation content used for

the Summer Edge courses is being made available over the winter break. This may be especially helpful for students who are enrolled for Math 5, CSE 22 and/or WRI 1 in spring semester. Links to the open canvas pages will be posted on the Summer Session Edge webpage and hopefully linked through the Student Success Canvas page.

Winter Skills: Skills Academy is an opportunity for students to enroll in one of eight Coursera courses (selected to help students gain high-demand career skills) over the winter break. The courses range from \$39-\$89. If students complete the course and return their verified certificate to us, we will give them a \$50 gift card. More information may be found here.

Spring Bobcat Treasure Hunt: The spring hunt will be open to anyone who didn't win a prize in the fall hunt. There will only be one hunt and it will open for move-in and will remain open through January. The prizes will be \$25 and \$50 gift cards. The more students who participate, the more gift cards we will award. Again, the goal is to help students physically locate student services people and places on campus. More info may be found here.

Start planning for Summer 2023. A proposed list of summer 2023 courses is linked (pdf) on the Summer Session website.

FAFSA OPENS OCTOBER 1ST



UC Merced Financial Aid - Start Here!

The first step in obtaining financial aid is applying! The 2023-2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the California Dream Act Application (CADAA) open on October 1st, 2022. For more information about applying, click here.

- March 2 is the California priority filling deadline to maximize your Aid package consideration
- June 1 is the UC Merced Document
 Deadline to maximize your Aid package consideration

IT'S ALL IN INSIDE UC MERCED!

What do Michelle Obama, Carol Tomlinson-Keasey and Arnold Schwarzenegger have in common? They all appear in a daily diary kept by longtime UC Merced librarian Donald Barclay. The Welcome Edition of Inside UC Merced shares the memories of a founding staffer who helped build a cutting-edge research university in the Central Valley. The digital magazine also rounds up the latest in university research and community service and looks back on a memorable Scholars Bridge Crossing.

https://uc-merced.foleon.com/public-relations/inside-uc-merced-vol-iv-no-3/

UC MERCED STUDY ABROAD

How to Apply

There isn't necessarily a correct order to apply for study abroad but here is a suggested step-by-step guide. You are highly advised to plan at least a year in advance. Please work closely with your EAP and Academic Advising teams for assistance.

The process to study abroad will depend on when



you start exploring Study Abroad, what term you want to go abroad, and your academic goals and program expectations.

Please visit the Study Abroad website to review a suggested guide to prioritize the steps to study abroad.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



When Stephen Smith got to UC Merced, he found several organizations aimed at helping Black students succeed. But he didn't find one specifically aimed at mental health. So, he started one. The Black Student Coalition now boasts 122 active members in addition to an executive board. ucm.edu/F51Hho #BobcatSuccess #BlackHistoryMonth

Q&A WITH THE NEW DEAN OF ENGINEERING AT UC MERCED



Dr. Rakesh Goel is the new dean of the UC Merced School of Engineering. He studied in California during the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake and was on a reconnaissance team for the Northridge quake. His work has been adopted into the California building code. The new dean of

the School of Engineering at UC Merced has said he is passionate about student success. He sees many opportunities to leave a lasting impact on the lives of students, faculty and staff.

https://news.ucmerced.edu/news/2022/qa-new-dean-engineering-uc-merced

UC MERCED STUDENTS EARN WINS, JOB OFFERS AT NATIONAL ENGINEERING CONFERENCE



UC Merced students attended the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE). SHPE is the largest association in the country for Latinos in STEM. Leo Lujan, a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering, won a design competition. Lujan also received a full-time job offer from Lockheed Martin. School of Engineering Dean said he was gratified by the students' success at the conference. The conference ended with a fulltime job offer for each student.

https://news.ucmerced.edu/news/2022/uc-mercedstudents-earn-wins-job-offers-nationalengineering-conference

UC MERCED GAINS PRESTIGIOUS UC AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION DESIGNATION



AES is a place-based scientific research center at a land-grant university. It explores challenges and

develops improvements to different aspects of the agricultural endeavor. UCs Merced and Santa Cruz are the first campuses in more than 50 years to earn the designation. The University of California at Merced has been designated an agricultural experiment station. The designation is part of a multi-million dollar grant from the National Science Foundation, USDA and others. The project will create a new model for agricultural technology that is farmer- and worker-friendly while enhancing productivity. https://news.ucmerced.edu/news/2022/uc-merced-gains-prestigious-uc-agricultural-experiment-station-designation

RESEARCH REVEALS AN EASY WAY DAIRY FARMERS CAN DRAMATICALLY REDUCE THEIR CLIMATE IMPACT



The dairy industry is one of the main sources of methane in California. Adding biochar to a dairy's manure-composting process reduces methane emissions by 84%. The study looked at composting the manure with biochar instead of stockpiling it. It also improves the composted manure so that it makes a better fertilizer for farmers.

https://news.ucmerced.edu/news/2022/research-reveals-easy-way-dairy-farmers-can-dramatically-reduce-their-climate-impact

UC AWARDS \$16.4 MILLION IN GRANTS TO ADDRESS CLIMATE,

ENERGY AND HEALTH

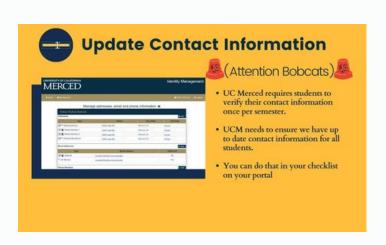


For the first time, UC Merced faculty members from each of the campus's three schools have been chosen as principal investigators on some of the 21 exciting new projects that are being funded through UC's Multicampus Research Programs and Initiatives (MRPI). In addition, UC Merced researchers are collaborating on 10 of the other projects."Our faculty researchers are leading the world in the discovery and creation of knowledge," Chancellor Juan Sánchez Muñoz said. "It is particularly noteworthy that their expertise is being recognized in the pursuit of research responses to regional challenges. The UC announced today that psychology Professor Anna Epperson from the School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, physics Professor David Strubbe with the School of Natural Sciences and School of Engineering Professor Elizabeth Nowadnick, a materials scientist, are each leading multicampus research projects in their fields of expertise.

Read more: UC Awards \$16.4 Million in Grants to Address Climate, Energy and Health |
Newsroom (ucmerced.edu)

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MyBill

Pay your account balance for Fall 2022, or prior term. Any unpaid balance may result in a hold that will prevent Spring 2023 registration.

Contact the Students First Center if you need any more assistance!

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Dear School of Engineering Bobcats,

As your Career Specialist, I am dedicated to supporting you in your journey toward achieving your career goals. While new to the University of California, Merced community, I have had the privilege of helping students and graduates find success in their professional preparation and career endeavors for over 20 years. As I look at the start of the new academic year, I am excited about the opportunity to provide coaching and guidance on how you can use your knowledge and unique talents to make a difference in your chosen field. I am available on a drop-in and appointment basis for Career Conversations on topics such as:

- . Connecting your Academic Major to Career Options
- · Preparing for a Job or Internship Interview
- · Writing an Effective Resume and Cover Letter
- · Considering Graduate School
- · Searching for Jobs and Internships
- · Discovering Your Strengths, Interests and Values

I hope to see you at many of the Engineering and Technical Career events scheduled on campus during the Fall semester including Employer Information Sessions, Career Meet Ups Workshops and On-Campus Interviews.Be sure to log into the UC Merced Handshake Career Management System to see which employers are coming to campus and when events, such as our Fall Career Fair and Engineering Networking-Readiness Mixers, are taking place. You will also be able to find Job and Internship listings on Handshake and receive emails from me about Career happenings and opportunities based on your interests and aspirations.

Wishing you Success in the coming Academic Year!



Sincerely, Elizabeth "Liz" Atilano Career Specialist, School of Engineering



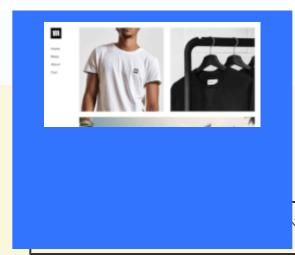
Liz Atilano, Director of Employer Connections and Internships

Location: Kolligian Library (KL), 184

Email: eatilano2@ucmerced.edu

ough Handshake at https://ucmerced.joinhandshake.com/

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APPLY FOR AN ON-CAMPUS JOBS HERE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

Career Counseling for Students

CCPA staff focus not the question, "What should I do with the rest of my life?", but on helping you to find an answer to the question "What do I want to do first?" and "What's next?" By working with a career counselor, you will be successfully guided through the steps of the career planning process.

Exploring your career pathway

- We provide **career assessments** for students wanting to learn about their skills and potential pathways for their career and a **four-year plan** for our recommendations of what you should do each year of your undergrad.
- And as always, you can schedule an appointment with our wonderful CCPA **career specialists** for any of your burning questions!
- We also recommend browsing **this page** by "WhatCanIDoWithThisMajor.com" for more recommendations of what careers you can pursue with your major or field of study!
- Review and attend the CCPA Events to meet with Industry Partners who are actively recruiting students for potential career after graduation.

SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT NOW!

MERCED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TUTORING INTERNSHIP



Attention Bobcats! Are you looking for a PAID internship for this upcoming spring semester? We are hiring for our tutoring internship with Merced City School District! interns will be working with local middle schools or local elementary schools to tutor younger students in either math or elementary subjects. Interns MUST have reliable transportation to their assigned school sites and to KiDS Discovery Station (for Elementary School tutors) or to the UC Merced CalTeach Learning Lab (for Math tutors). Interns who complete their 40 hrs of tutoring during the fall semester will receive a \$600 stipend once hours are completed. Are you interested in applying? Scan the QR code above or click the link in our bio!

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CENTRAL SANITATION DISTRICT INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We have upcoming 6-month internships that start in December/January – June and another 6-month internship that starts in May/June to December. The surveying support will be working with Greg St. John, PLS, and the GIS/Asset Management will be working with my workgroup. Please forward to your students. We're currently recruiting for the January – June, 2023.

SIX MONTH INTERNSHIPS \$24.00 per hour

Central San is a special district that provides wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal services; recycled water production and distribution; and household hazardous waste collection. These internships are 40-hours, Monday through Friday, and located onsite in Martinez. These temporary positions are a six-month commitment, starting in December 2022/January 2023 and ending in June/July 2023. To be eligible, you must possess a valid California Driver's License and have a satisfactory driving record. The positions also require you to be a current student with junior or senior standing, or to have graduated within the past 12 months. These assignments provide an opportunity for students to apply their academic preparation to practical work experience in a wastewater utility environment.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Students interested in applying for these positions should submit a cover letter, resume, and unofficial transcript(s) at intern@centralsan.org.

Survey Support Section (1 position)

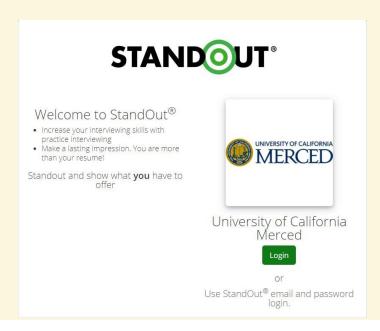
The position supports sewer renovation, right-of-way, and development review projects. Duties will include performing both office and field land surveying. Typical tasks will include calculating survey maps, planning and researching projects, reviewing plans, reviewing legal descriptions and plats, assisting with CAD drafting, and assisting with GPS and conventional surveys. **Additional Preferred Qualification** – Completed a survey course.

Duties will include determining and verifying field conditions, engineering calculations, data analysis, field surveying, researching, and designing equipment and construction methods, writing project documents and memoranda, preparing design details for project drawings, and assisting design and construction management teams.

GIS/Asset Management (2 positions)

This position's duties include working independently, collecting sewer infrastructure data in streets, open land, and on private property, and speaking and coordinating with home and business owners to access sewer infrastructure on private property. Duties may require working outside in a wide variety of temperatures, weather, and terrain conditions across Central San's service area for the duration of the workday. Duties include use of a mobile tablet to complete this project. Office duties may include editing and/or querying data using Esri ArcGIS Pro and ArcGIS Enterprise Portal. Training will be provided. A vehicle and safety equipment, including boots, vests, and hat will be provided by Central San. Preferred Qualifications – Ability to work independently and be self-motivated, patient, and respectful and have a clean driving record. 12/31/2022 5:00 PM Pacific but will review applicants as resumes arrive.

WHAT IS STANDOUT?

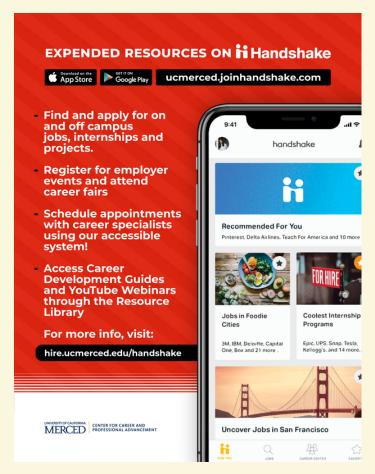


UC Merced is pleased to provide an innovative practice interview system to help students with their professional abilities. The Standout links on this page will take you to the UC Merced Standout page where you will be able to practice a number of different interviews based on your current career focus. This interactive feature will allow you to immediately practice your interview skills and further connect with a career specialist if needed.

SIGN UP FOR HANDSHAKE!



Please update your Handshake Profile to receive specific Internship opportunities











UC MERCED SUCCESS ANYWHERE

DO YOUR PART

Basic Needs Resources

Location: Terrace Center (TC) 106 Email: Basicneeds@ucmerced.edu

Phone: (209) 891-9781

Monday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday to Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

*Closed during campus holidays, spring break,

and winter curtailment. Please

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email Basicneeds@ucmerced.edu for assistance during these periods.

Email: basicneeds@ucmerced.edu

Services include:

- Food Support Bobcat Pantry, USDA
 Food Distribution, People's Fridge, Pop-Up People's Pantry, Food Recovery
 Program, Other Food Resources
- CalFresh Outreach
- Financial Wellness
- Professional Clothing Closet
- Resources
- Donate



UCM Alert

Emergency Preparedness
Emergency Status Line: 866-993-0969
UC Merced Alerts are UC Merced's emergency

notification system that sends messages to students, staff and faculty personal cell phones and/or email addresses.

To sign up for UCM Alert to receive urgent

emergency information as a parent or guardian, click on this link and follow the steps

REMINDERS

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PHISHING IS THE NO. 1 THREAT DELIVERY AND COMMUNICATION VEHICLE IN THE WORLD TODAY, ALLOWING CYBERCRIMINALS TO EXPLOIT SYSTEM VULNERABILITIES TO GAIN ACCESS TO SENSITIVE DATA, PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION (PII), AND OTHER VALUABLE INFORMATION. IN PHISHING, CYBER-CRIMINALS HAVE A PERFECT ATTACK AND DELIVERY TOOL: A DIGITAL MEDIUM USED BY ALMOST ANYONE IN TODAY'S CONNECTED WORLD TO CONDUCT ALL TYPES OF REAL-TIME BUSINESS THAT CAN CARRY ANY TYPE OF CONTENT, LINKS, AND ATTACHMENTS. IT IS ANONYMOUS, HAS AN INCREDIBLY MARGINAL COST TO USE, AND IS ONE OF THE MOST COMMON SERVICES OFFERED BY THE SERVICE PROVIDERS.

SIMPLY PUT: IF YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS, YOU ARE A TARGET. SO, YOU MUST BE PREPARED HTTPS://IT.UCMERCED.EDU/SECURITY-CAMPAIGN



2-Factor Authentication

Do you 2FA the right way? Check out our 2FA Best Practices page for



Students First Center

From admissions to graduation, the Students First Center provides high-quality guidance to UC Merced students, campus constituents and the public. Answering questions about Admission, Financial Aid, Registration, and more.

Phone: 209-228-7178

Email: studentsfirst@ucmerced.edu

In Person Check In

Address: 5200 North Lake Road Administration Building RM 100,

Merced, CA 95343

Hours:

Mon – Thurs - 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fri - 8:30am - 3pm



GETTING STARTED

Calm App is Free for UC Merced

Individual and community well-being is essential as we work our way through the COVID-19 pandemic and its significant impact on our professional and personal lives.

We invite you to explore the Calm features as a

resource to practice mindfulness to reduce anxiety and stress, improve sleep and focus, and enhance academic and workplace productivity and performance.





CAPS

Counseling and Psychological Services

Supports the mental health and well-being of our students.

University of California, Merced 5200 North Lake Road Merced, CA 95343

Phone: (209)228-4266 | Fax: (209)228-2270 | E-mail: counseling@ucmerced.edu Never E-Mail

Private Health Information

After-Hours Crisis Line: (209)228-4266, option

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CAPS office is now located in the New Wellness Center at the end of Bellevue Rd., next to Parking Lot 2.

Counseling Services - All currently registered undergraduate and graduate students at the University of California, Merced are eligible to utilize on-campus counseling services free of charge. The service you receive is based upon a determination of your therapeutic goals and Counseling Services resources. If Counseling & Psychological Services is unable to meet your therapeutic needs, referral resources will be identified for you.

Psychiatric Services - Psychiatric services are provided to registered students at UC Merced through tele-psychiatry and on site psychiatry. These services are arranged through the primary



care providers in the Student Health Center. Please speak with your primary care provider or CAPS psychology provider if you need a referral for psychiatric services.

Groups:For more information, please follow this link to CAPS Website!

- Anxiety Toolbox Group
- Women's Trauma Group
- AA/ Black Scholars Group
- LGBTQ+ Center
- Coping with Grief & Loss Group
- AAPI Safe Space & Support Group
- Managing Myself & My Emotions Group
- International Graduate Support Group
- Graduate Support Group
- Peer Recovery Support Group
- Latinx Support Group
- Men's Trauma Support Group

Call (209)228-4266 for more information about these groups. If groups fill up, we will strive to add more groups to meet the need.



CARE Office

The Campus Advocacy, Resources, and Education (CARE) office collaborate with UC Merced partners to develop and support an understanding of gender-based violence through prevention education and trauma-informed care advocacy using an intersectional framework.

CARE promotes empathy, diversity, equity, and inclusion through its programs to staff, faculty and

students.

CARE Office Location:

Kolligian Library,

Suite 107

Phone: 209-228-4147

Email: ucmcare@ucmerced.edu



Code Hosting Platform

GitHub is a code hosting platform for version control and collaboration. It lets you and others work together on projects from anywhere. You'll create your own Hello Work repository and learn GitHub's Pull Request workflow, a popular way to create and review code.

GITHUB



Federal Student Aid

Turn your interests into a career that is the right fit for you!

Use our Career Search Tool to explore career paths.

Financial Aid



CONTACT FINANCIAL AID

Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships

Administration Building

5200 N. Lake Road

Merced, CA 95343

Phone: (209) 228-7178

UC Merced FAFSA School Code: **041271**The first step in obtaining financial aid is applying! The **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** and the **California Dream Act Application (CADAA)** open on October 1st and submission is due BEFORE March 2 yearly, for student to renew their Financial Aid for consideration. For more information about applying, **click here**.

Want to know your estimated balance? Use the Direct Costs Worksheet to find out! For more info: https://fal.cn/3eQSa

THE FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING (FE) EXAM

Civil Engineering- Environmental Engineering

Materials Science & Engineering - Mechanical Engineering

Start Planning for the FE Fundamentals of Engineering Exam!

The Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) exam is generally your first step in the process to becoming a licensed Professional Engineer (PE).

Registration for the April 2023 pencil-and-paper PE Structural exams will open on December 5, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. EST and close on February 16, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. EST. Registration for the computer-based FE and PE exams is open year-round. To learn about the format of your exam, select the exam type below.

Who needs a Professional Engineering (PE) license?

For some majors and career pathways having a Professional Engineering license is important--typically for Civil, Chemical, Electrical, Environmental, and Mechanical Engineering. It gives you the authority to "sign off "on design drawing and is a requirement for many government-related jobs. In these types of jobs, career advancement may be limited without a PE.

The Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) exam is designed for students who have completed at least three years or their undergraduate engineering degree from an ABET accredited program.

Passing the FE exam means you are qualified to apply for Engineering-I n-Training (EIT) certification by the state of California. To apply for EIT go to the California Board of Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists website (https://www.bpelsg.ca.gov/applicants/eit_lsitapp.shtml)

The FE exam is a computer-based exam administered year-round in testing windows at NCEES-approved Pearson VUE Test Centers (https://ncees.org/exams/test-center-locations/)

Note that there are **seven (7) different FE exam versions** for different majors, so you should check on the exam content and see which one looks best for you. You can find more information on the NCEES website (https://ncees.org/engineering/fe/).

The FE exam is a 1 10 multiple-choice test that is 6 hours long and includes the following:

- Nondisclosure agreement (2 minutes)
- Tutorial (8 minutes)
- Exam (5 hours and 20 minutes)
- Scheduled break (25 minutes)

There is a \$175 initial fee for the exam, so it is important to be well-prepared. The NCEES provides a free copy of the FE References Handbook, which is the only reference material that can be used during the exam. NCEES also offers computer-based practice exams. Learn more at the NCEES YouTube channel.

Questions? Just ask any of your engineering professors!

- About the exams
- Test center locations
- NCEES Examinee Guide
- Special accommodations
- Exam prep materials
- Calculator policy
- Exam-day experience

Exam scoring

California Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists Website: http://www.bpelsg.ca.gov

Contact: Richard "Ric" Moore P.L.S.

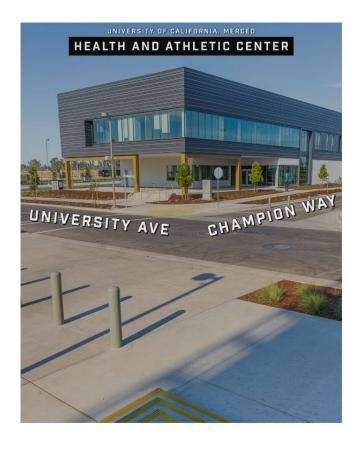
Email: http://www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/contact.shtml

Phone: (866) 780-5370 Fax: (916) 263-2221

Address: 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 300

Sacramento, California 95833-2944

United States



Health Center

Health Center

H. Rajender Reddy Health Center University of California, Merced 5200 North Lake Road

Merced, CA 95343

Phone: (209)228-2273 | Fax: (209)500-6334

Student Health Services offices are located on the second floor of the Health and Athletics Center.

The Health Center is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday except on university holidays and weekends. The first scheduled appointment is at 8:20 a.m. and the last appointment is at 4 p.m.



Office of Information **Technology**

UC Merced Office of Information Technology



(OIT)

All Student Services

Main Location: Classroom & Office Building 1 (COB1) Room 127:Monday-Thursday: 8am to

5pm

Friday: 8am to 4pm

Kolligian Library (KL) 2nd floor - Fall Semester

2022:Monday: 8am to 11:30am, 3pm to 4pm Tuesday: 10am to 11:30am, 12:30pm to 4pm

Wednesday: 11am to 1pm Thursday: 11am to 4pm

Friday: 8am to 11:30am, 2pm to 3pm

** Disclaimer: Days and times may change without notice, please check frequently.



LastPass

Don't forget to set up your LastPass account! All active UC Merced students, faculty and staff have are eligible for a FREE LastPass Premium account. Learn More & Set up your LastPass. https://ucm.edu/LastPass Setup

Library Tour

The new self-guided Library Tour introduces



students to library spaces and services in a fun and interactive way. Students receive a cardboard cutout of Rufus at the Library Services Desk and explore the building, taking photos of Rufus and answering questions along the way. Participants receive a certificate of completion, making it easy to assign the tour for class credit. We also will have one more drawing for prizes this semester. For more information, email Elizabeth McMunn-Tetangco at emcmunn@ucmerced.edu or library@ucmerced.edu.



LGBTQ+ Pride Center

The LGBTQ+ Pride Center contributes to a society that fully embraces, accepts, recognizes, and supports the lived experiences and intersecting identities of members of the LGBTQ+ community.

LOCATION

Kolligian Library 159 5200 N, Lake Road Merced, CA 95340

Contact Info

209.228.2250

pridecenter@ucmerced.edu



Labyrinths are Meant to Create Time and Space to Reconnect

UC Merced's 65-foot labyrinth is in the pattern of the Baltic Wheel, with an additional "triple meander" built into it, master designer Lars Howlett said.

Labyrinths are meant to create time and space to reconnect with oneself, the environment and the community. https://ucm.edu/JA3Ox4



Marketing Department

Now you can show your Bobcat Pride in your internal and external Zoom meetings by downloading one of these snazzy Top 100 virtual backgrounds.

VIRTUAL BACKGROUNDS

Office of the Ombuds

The Office of the Ombuds is a safe confidential and informal place where UC Merced community



members can go for informal assistance with managing conflict, complaints, and concerns with a colleague, classmate, supervisor or anyone else on campus. The Ombuds will listen; help identify options; make inquiries and make referrals as appropriate; and/or facilitate resolutions in an impartial manner.

Use of our office is always voluntary. We operate and adhere to the ethical principles of confidentiality, impartiality, informality and independence and standard of practice under the International Ombuds Association (IOA). The Office of the Ombuds supplements and does not replace or substitute formal grievance processes made available by the University. To view our flowchart visit the Appointments page.

Communications to the Ombuds do not put the University on notice of the content of the communication.

To schedule an appointment at either location please call **Main Phone** (209) 228-4410 Walk-ins are always welcome! However, we strongly recommend scheduling an appointment to protect your privacy. Use of services provided by the Office of the Ombuds is voluntary and off the record. **About Email: We do not use email for confidential communications because privacy cannot be assured.**

Campus: Student Services Building - 213
Mailing Address
UC Merced
Office of the Ombuds
SSB- 213



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Office of the Registrar Forms

https://registrar.ucmerced.edu/forms

*** Electronic Forms - Use the following supported browsers for best results :

Browser -Version

Google Chrome - 57 and newer Microsoft Edge - EdgeHTML 14 and newer

FINAL GRADES & TRANSCRIPT

STUDENT FIRST CENTER





Social Justice Initiatives & Identity Programs

Office of Social Justice Initiative & Identity

SOCIAL JUSTICE INITIATIVES & IDENTITY PROGRAMS

Programs (SJIIP)

The Office of Social Justice Initiative & Identity Programs (SJIIP) charge is for every UC Merced scholar to thrive in our multicultural global society.

The Office of SJI&IP aims to enhance the retention of our historically-underserved scholars and to foster an inclusive campus environment for all by providing opportunities for holistic development, intersectional community building, and student agency.

LocationKolligian Library 167 5200 N, Lake Road Merced, CA 95340

socialjustice@ucmerced.edu



UCM: Social Media Platforms

This Webpage is created to encourage you to use social media as a way to connect with UC Merced resources. All students, alumni, faculty, staff, and prospective UC Merced members are welcome to network and to view our resources as well as information addressed to our university community.

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

Engineering Study Abroad Resource Center



Study Abroad Resource Center Office of International Affairs

Kolligian Library, 101

Contact & hours

Engineering Advisors' Office UC Merced Study Abroad page Study Abroad Drop-In Hours

Education Abroad Program visit the **UCEAP** website

Engineering course articulation

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UCEAP Forges Ahead

UCEAP's viewbook has gone digital! See videos and animated graphics that will help you plan your study abroad adventure when you, and the world, are ready.

New features let you:

- Take a virtual world tour
- Find programs by personality
- See an example cost calculator
- Read student stories

EXPLORE THE VIEWBOOK



STEM Resource Center

UC Merced tutoring and learning support services have been reorganized to help make our offerings more transparent and accessible to students and to better align with academic learning support needs. You can now find support through the STEM Tutoring Hub for many lower division Math, Chemistry, Biology and Computer Science courses. You can access one-on-one writing consultations through the University Writing Center. All learning support services are provided free of charge!

Please follow the link to a flyer with information about <u>learning support services</u> or visit https://success.ucmerced.edu/tutoring.

STEM Tutoring Hub

The STEM Tutoring Hub is a collaborative initiative of UC Merced's Division of Undergraduate Education and the STEM Center. It is designed to serve the diverse UC Merced undergraduate population by providing continuous and comprehensive educational support.

More information about the STEM Tutoring Hub and how to become a peer-tutor can be found on this STEM Tutoring Hub subpage.

Interested to become a peer-tutor?

Apply here.Study Group SessionsVisit UC

Merced Success Anywhere for information on additional UC Merced peer learning resources.Physical Space/LocationThe STEM

Tutoring Hub provides help on discipline-specific manner, with each discipline located in a different room.

Mathematics - SSB 320 - The Math Center Chemistry - SSB 330 - Chem Center Biology - SSB 340 - Tutoring Room

CSE - **SSB 340** - Tutoring Room Physics - **SSB 340** - Tutoring Room Usage of the Space

- Respect yourself and others in the room keep volumes to a minimum; use headphones
- Check-In using your CatCard or student ID every time you enter the room.
- Be courteous to your peers clean your work area before leaving the room
- Respect textbooks and room equipment –
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- Do not leave your belongings unattended
 there is no constant supervision in the room.



Teacher Education Assistance

Are you planning to become a teacher? The TEACH Grant could be for you.

Transfer, Returning, & Veteran Student Servies





(TRV)

Transfer, Returning and Veterans (TRV) Student Services is a supportive community for transfer, reinstated and veteran students. We understand and value the unique experiences and perspectives non-traditional students bring to our vibrant campus community. The purpose of TRV is to celebrate the diversity of our students and to assist in the discovery of services available to UC Merced students. We accomplish our purpose by offering individual, academic, and community support as well as advocacy, research awareness, resources referrals and career exploration.

The TRV Office and Lounge is open once again! Stop by to make use of the Lounge and visit the TRV Team!

Fall Semester HoursMonday - Thursday 10:00am

- 6:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 5:00pm Saturday - Sunday: Closed

Location

TRV Office: Sentinel Rock 151
TRV Lounge: Sentinel Rock 150

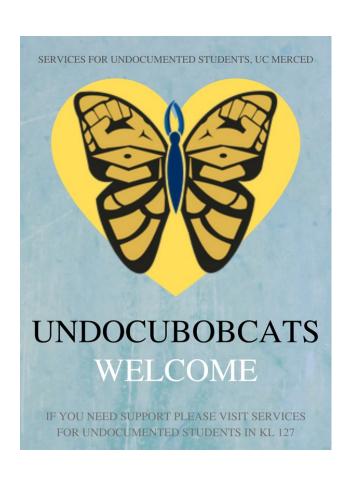
Phone & Email (209) 228 - 2434 trv@ucmerced.edu



LEARN MORE

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Center

UROC Mission: Fostering access to facultymentored research opportunities for undergraduate students from all academic disciplines with structured support and training to prepare for graduate studies and future careers.



Services for Undocumented Students

Undocumented Students

Services for Undocumented Students will be offering virtual drop-in hours. Zoom drop-in hours are available for those with questions or concerns that relate to immigration status, financial aid, mental health resources, community resources. To schedule a meeting with one of our program coordinator click on the Calendly link. The meetings will be held in KL 127 or via zoom.

Phone: (209) 600-5316

Email: vordazgarcia@ucmerced.edu

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM -5:00 PM

UC Merced Kolligian Library, Room 127 5200 N. Lake Road Merced, CA 95343 Alternate Email: undoc@ucmerced.edu

SERVICES FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS



NIGHT/WEEKEND SERVICES COORDINATOR

Meet Maria Martinez, Night/Weekend Services
Coordinator! Maria joins us from a background in
hotel management, census and poll work, and has
a love of libraries! She notes that the library is a
perfect place to be surrounded by people who
bring knowledge and preserve knowledge. Maria
joins Fabiola Chavez and Sunni Nelson who are
also Night/Weekend Services Coordinators. With
the development of a full team, the UC Merced
Library is able to expand hours, including
Saturday hours from 10am-6pm. Join us in
welcoming Maria Martinez! Read more at Library

News: https://fal.cn/3tuYe



Virtual Campus Tour

The best way to explore UC Merced is to visit the campus and see for yourself what it has to offer. The campus offers several tour options.

An in-person visit is the best way to experience UC Merced and get a firsthand view of its classrooms, facilities and grounds.

For those who cannot make the trip, an online virtual walking tour is available so you can see 360-degree views of residence halls and dining center accommodations, study areas in Kolligian Library, classrooms, laboratories and a host of other places and sights.

When you are ready to plan an in-person visit, UC Merced's Welcome Center offers tours for students

and their families. These 60-minute walking tours, **available by registering in advance**, are led by student tour guides and accommodate no more than 20 people per tour guide so you get an intimate and memorable experience.

UC Merced also offers group tours for schools, community colleges and community-based organizations. People interested in arranging a group tour should fill out this **group tour request form**.

CAMPUS TOUR

FIRST-GENERATION LATINAS WORKING TOGETHER IN IMMIGRATION LAW



Alejandra, Linda and Jessica are all firstgeneration Latinas in the law field. They are all from the Central Valley, graduates of UC Merced and work at the New American Legal Clinic in Clovis.

https://abc30.com/new-american-legal-clinic-immigration-law-central-california-non-profit/12358394/

LIVE IN THE VALLEY? YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR A FREE AIR FILTRATION DEVICE

Air pollution generated from wildfires is enormous and can well exceed the total industrial and mobile source emissions in the San Joaquin Valley, overwhelming all control measures and resulting in periods of poor air quality that can cause significant impacts to public health. In a well-sealed indoor environment (e.g., windows and doors closed and sealed tightly), HEPA air filtration devices can reduce particulate matter indoors by more than 90 percent.

To help mitigate the harmful health effects of wildfire smoke on Valley residents, and in particular the District's most

vulnerable populations, the District has developed the Clean Air Rooms pilot program to provide residential air filtration units FREE to residents in Valley disadvantaged communities. Click the button below to learn more and see if you qualify. https://ww2.valleyair.org/grants/clean-air-room-pilot-program/





At UC Merced, we believe that the students are co-creators of their university experience.

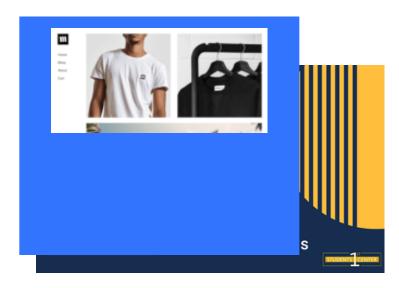
Getting involved at UC Merced is a great way to connect with others, grow personally, and gain skills that will help you in your future career.

Engineering Professional Organization



What is an engineering professional organization? Student engineering professional organizations are more than clubs. These organizations aim to further the profession of engineering and the interests of individuals engaged in that field.

VANGUARD ENGINEERING



UC MERCED OFFICE OF STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

The Office of Involvement will be hosting some fun virtual events and contest throughout the semester!!! Make sure to join us and your fellow bobcats. Look out for our event flyers and updates on our Instagram @ucmercedosi and our Office of Student Involvement Facebook page. Let's make the best of the situation

BOBCATS! #BobcatProud

Check out the most recent updates in regard to planning events for registered clubs and organizations. Make sure to contact us and come to our office at **Granite 163** if you any questions. Stay safe and healthy Bobcats

Scan the QR code to see events brought to you by the Office of Student Involvement. Get out and enjoy the sun... stay safe and wear a mask while on campus

Clubs and Organizations

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12 REASONS TO GET INVOLVED



Greek Life

SOCIAL FRATERNITIES

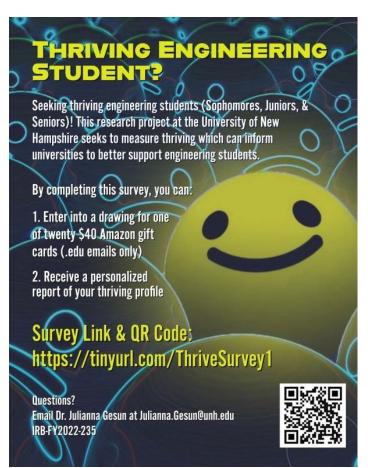
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PROFESSIONAL FRATERNITIES

THRIVING ENGINEERING STUDENT?

Interested in reflecting on your own thriving? As part of a research project at the University of New Hampshire (IRB-FY2022-235), thriving engineering students are invited to take a survey on engineering thriving. This project seeks to develop a way of accurately measuring thriving that can inform universities on ways to better support student thriving.

By participating in this research project with your



<u>.edu email</u>, you will be entered into a drawing for one of twenty \$40 Amazon gift card AND receive a personalized report of your thriving profile.

You can access the survey here: Engineering Thriving Survey

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Julianna Gesun at Julianna.Gesun@unh.edu. The University of New Hampshire (UNH) is conducting a research project titled "Developing a Survey of Thriving for Undergraduate Engineering Students" (IRB#FY2022-235). This research will be conducted from Spring 2022 through Summer 2023.

Q Project at UC Merced

The Q Project is an interdisciplinary homegrown organization at UC Merced. Our goal is to create an inclusive diverse space for education and personal advancement for all students no matter



their major, sexual orientation, gender, origin, race, or socioeconomic status. We have divisions focusing on cyber security, networks, team management, streaming, student advocacy, and more.

Q PROJECT YOUTUBE CHANNEL



ASSOCIATION FOR COMPUTING MACHINERY

ACM is the world's largest educational and scientific computing society, delivers resources that advance computing as a science and a profession. We're just your friendly neighborhood student chapter at UC Merced.

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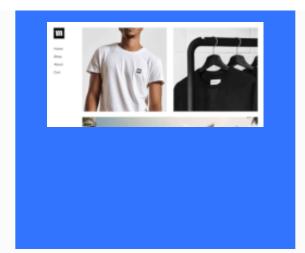


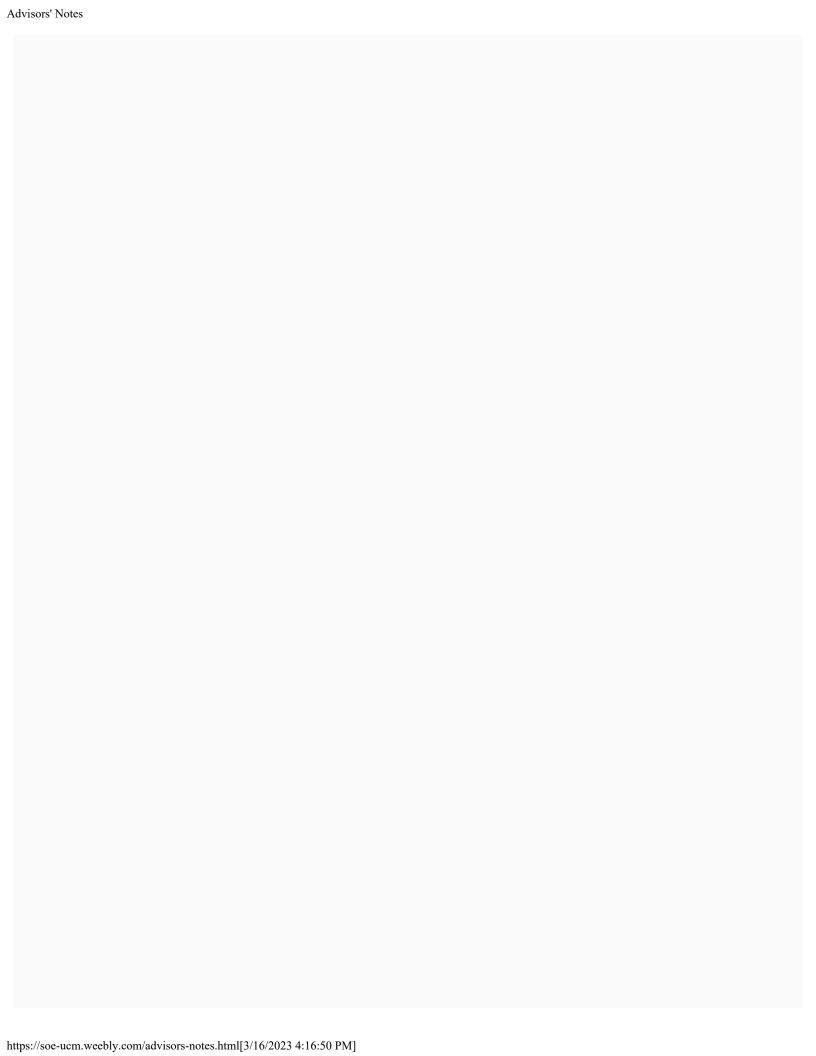
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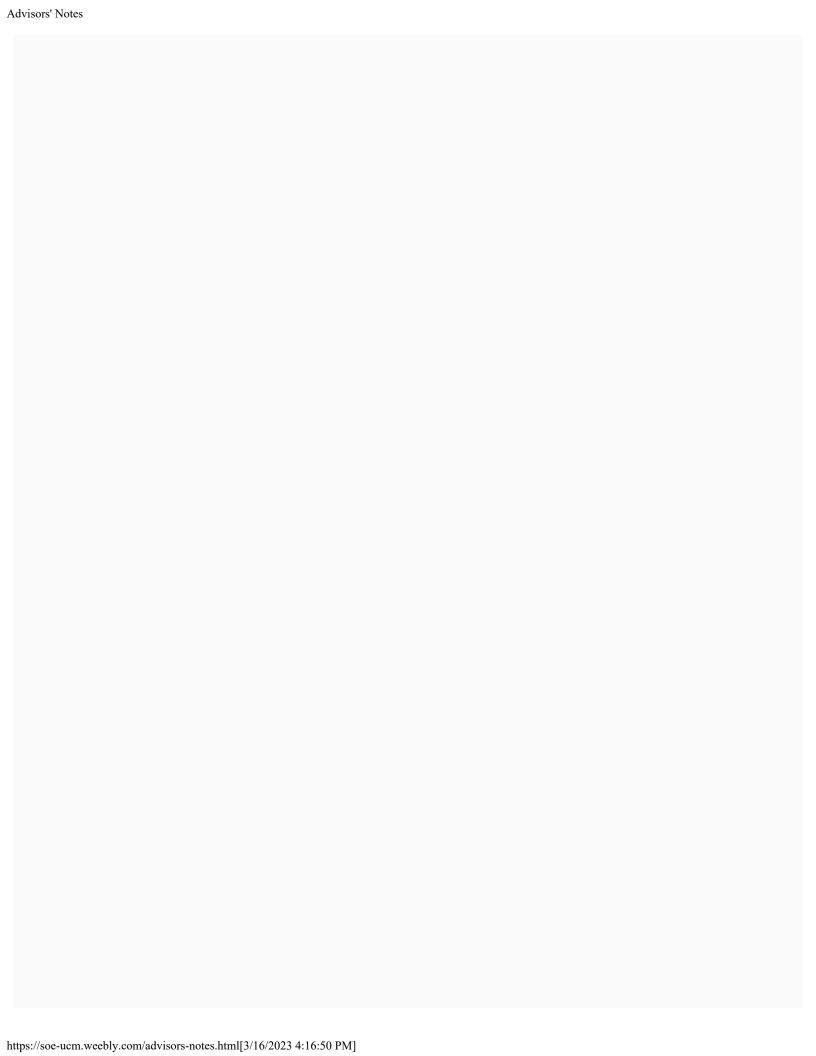


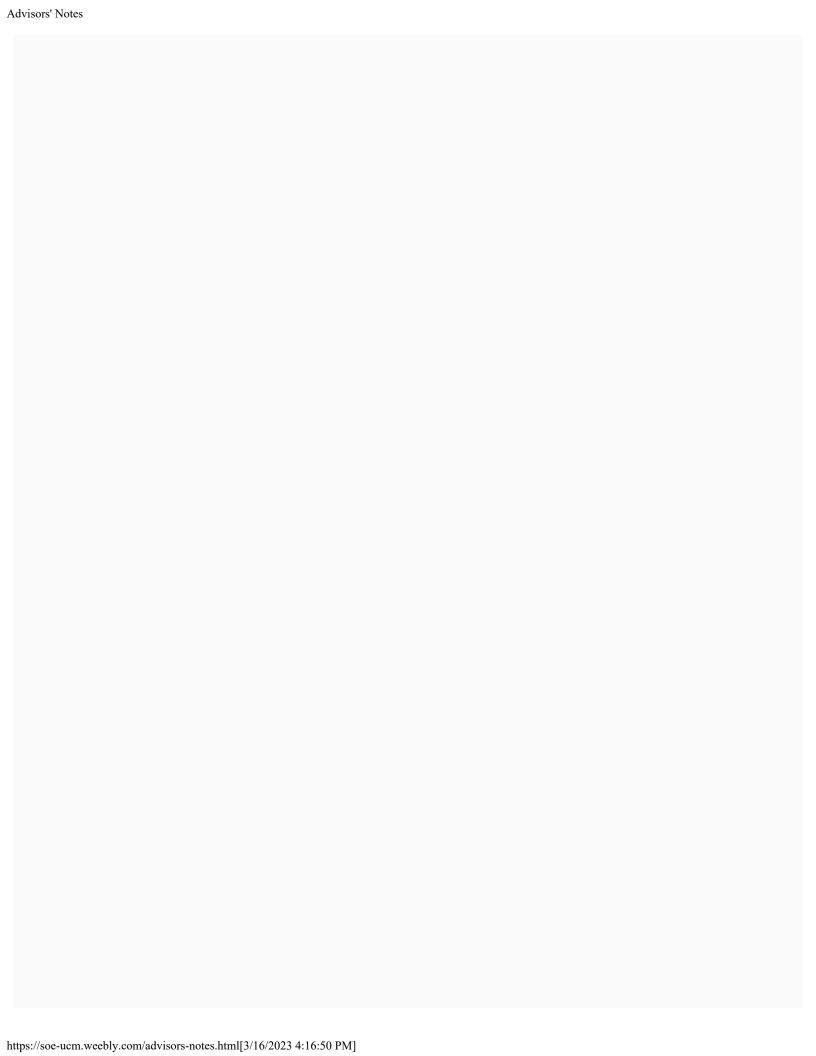
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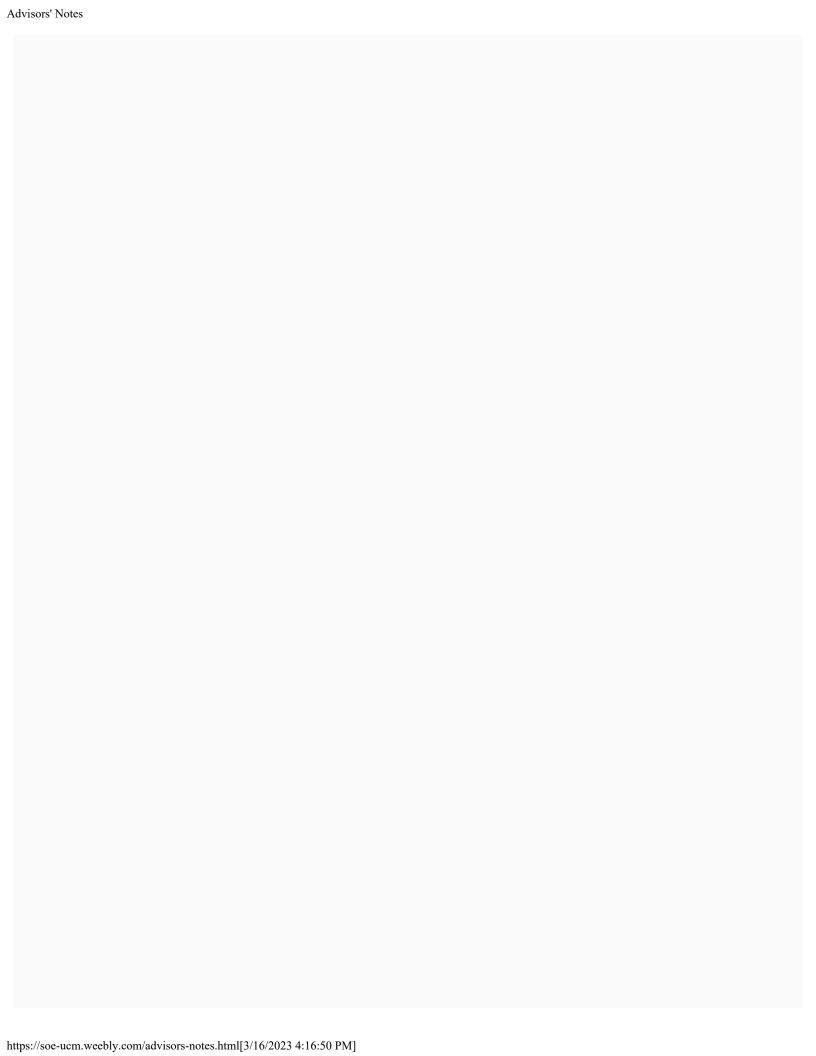
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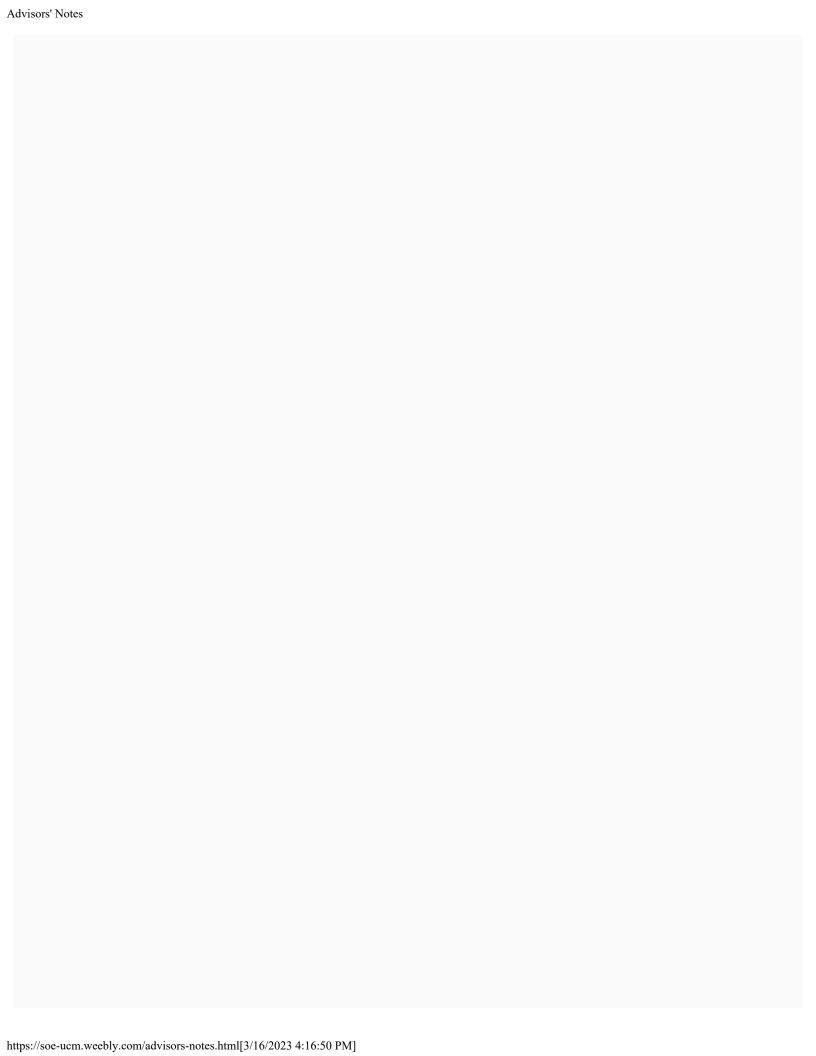


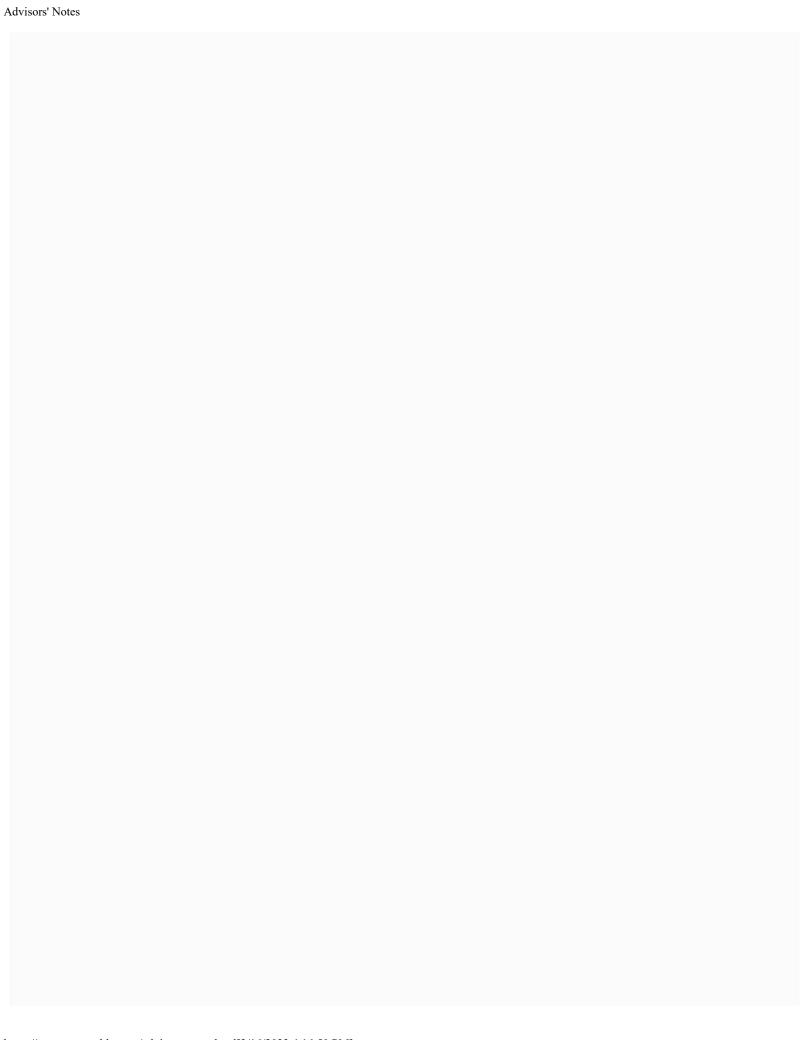


















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A safe space to talk for any member of the UC Merced community with a university-related concern

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UC MERCED Organizational Ombuds

Trusted Navigators leading the way to just, engaged, and inclusive organizations

WHAT'S AN OMBUDS?

- A person who helps YOU resolve conflicts/concerns
- Assists in exploring and determining options
- Brings systemic concerns to the organization's attention for resolution

WHO DO WE SERVE?

- Students
- Postdoctoral Scholars & Researchers
- Staff
- Faculty
- · Parents of UC Merced students
- Members of the public with a university-related concern

OMBUDS ARE

HOW DO WE HELP?

Listen & Understand Issues From Your

HELPFUL BECAUSE WE...

- · Are Confidential
- Stay Impartial
- Work Informally
- · Are Independent
- · Follow Standards of Practice

OMBUDS DO NOT

- Create or Maintain Records/Reports For The Organizations
- Receive Notice For The Organization
- Serve In Roles That Compromise Impartiality
- Make Binding Decisions/Mandate Policies
- Participate In Formal Investigations

Perspective

- Reframe Issues & Help You Evaluate Options
- Coach You To Deal Directly With Other Parties
- Refer You To Appropriate Resolution Channels
- Facilitate/Mediate Informal Resolution Processes
- Identify New Issues/Opportunities For Systemic Change

COMMON CONCERNS WE HEAR

- · Grade Disputes
- · Interpersonal Difficulties
- · Performance Feedback
- · Abusive Conduct/Bullying/Mobbing
- · Clarification of Policies/Procedures
- · Student & Faculty Relationships
- Pandemic Issues/Concerns
- · Harassment/Discrimination
- Respect/Treatment

HOW TO CONTACT US?

Callale Concon, University Ombudsperson Chanelle Reese, Assistant Ombudsperson

> Call for an appointment Phone: (209) 228-4410 ombuds.ucmerced.edu

Adapted from: International Ombuds Association

