1.1. UC Merced opened to undergraduates in Fall 2005. A small number of graduate students (9) came to campus with their faculty mentors (founding faculty) and were enrolled as early as Fall 2004. Undergraduate applicants, both new freshmen and transfers, came from two streams: regular (applied directly to UC Merced) and referral (UC eligible students who were not admitted to another UC, and were referred to UC Merced for consideration). Yield rates for regular applicants were substantially higher than for referral applicants. On-campus housing accommodated 600 students in Fall 2005. Another 400 beds were available by Fall 2008.

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Table 1.1b - Undergraduate Admissions by Student Entering Level by Applicant Type					
Regular	**Fall 2004**	**Fall 2005**	**Fall 2006**	**Fall 2007**	**Fall 2008**
Freshmen					
Number of applicants	N/A	8,053	8,043	8,755	10,696
Number of applicants admitted	N/A	6,133	6,260	7,174	8,913
% Admitted	N/A	76%	78%	82%	83%
Number enrolled	N/A	505	344	577	854
% Enrolled	N/A	8%	5%	8%	10%
Transfer					
Number of applicants	N/A	951	886	896	1,201
Number of applicants admitted	N/A	622	627	631	784
% Admitted	N/A	65%	71%	70%	65%
Number enrolled	N/A	111	95	102	116
% Enrolled	N/A	18%	15%	16%	15%
Referral	**Fall 2004**	**Fall 2005**	**Fall 2006**	**Fall 2007**	**Fall 2008**
Freshmen					
Number of applicants	N/A	6,025	6,054	6,339	8,420
Number of applicants admitted	N/A	6,024	6,053	6,336	8,411
% Admitted	N/A	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number enrolled	N/A	201	54	92	71
% Enrolled	N/A	3%	1%	1%	1%
Transfer					
Number of applicants	N/A	846	939	929	984
Number of applicants admitted	N/A	845	933	927	979
% Admitted	N/A	100%	99%	100%	99%
Number enrolled	N/A	21	7	14	23
% Enrolled	N/A	2%	1%	2%	2%

Note: Undergraduate figures include students from the referral pool. Referral pool applicants are students who are considered to be UC eligible but cannot enroll at their first choice campus due to space limitations.

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