presentation, which would include written, graphic and oral elements and even allow you to write and perform brief plays or songs, or create art in other media.

Lower Division Writing Course

Analytical writing is a means for understanding better what you are learning and conveying your ideas to different audiences: your instructors, your fellow students and people outside the university. The lower division writing requirement will start you on a path of writing development that will continue through your four years at UC Merced.

WRI 10: College Reading and Composition

This course is designed to help you develop your college-level skills in effective use of language, analysis and argumentation, organization, and strategies for creation, revision and editing. It must be completed during your freshman or sophomore year.

Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning

All students will take a college-level mathematics/quantitative reasoning course. For some of you, mathematics and statistics will be an essential tool for mastering a field in depth. For others, you will build your ability to understand how quantitative methods are applied in society to support arguments and solve problems. A variety of courses will be available to meet this requirement, based on your field of interest. Check the requirements of the major that interests you, in the School section of the catalog, for information on courses that satisfy Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning.

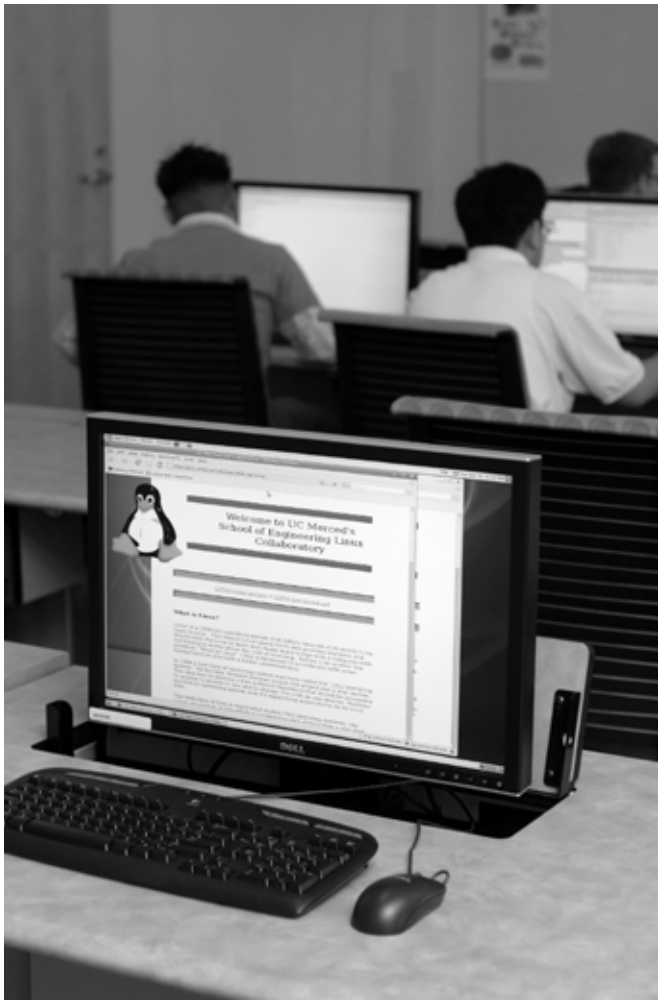
C. SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

The Schools of Engineering, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts each have a set of general education requirements to be completed if you choose a major offered by that School. School requirements include courses to help you build the collateral knowledge and skills you will need in order to succeed in your major. School requirements also include courses to help you understand the broad domains of knowledge. Check the School section of this catalog for specific requirements.

FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS: SATISFYING GENERAL EDUCATION

In addition to meeting the transfer admissions requirements described in the Undergraduate Admissions section of this Catalog, transfer students should complete an acceptable general education course pattern and preparatory courses for the intended major, prior to transfer. Successful completion of general education and major preparation will assure that you do not need to take any additional lower division courses at UC Merced. For detailed information on how transfer students can satisfy lower division general education and major preparation requirements, see the Catalog section on the School which offers your intended major. Please note the following:

California Community College transfer students who complete the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) satisfy all lower division general education requirements at UC Merced. For further details, see the Catalog section on the School which offers your intended major. Transfer students from other University of California campuses who have completed lower division general education requirements at the UC campus have satisfied lower division general education requirements at UC Merced.



Students planning to transfer from other colleges or universities to UC Merced should confer with a UC Merced admissions counselor as early as possible about course patterns that will satisfy UC Merced's lower division general education requirements.

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—Mary Panos, student, Resident Assistant