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Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

California community college students are eligible for the UC Merced Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program. TAG contracts specify the courses to be completed and grade point averages you must earn at the community college to be guaranteed admission to UC Merced in the major of your choice.

TAG Highlights

- Guaranteed admission to your major*
- Access to individualized advising on your preparation

*Subject to meeting the requirements of the TAG contract. TAG requirements are reviewed and subject to change on an annual basis. Check this website frequently for updates.

New TAG requirements for Fall 2011

Starting Fall 2011, in order to apply to the TAG program students should have completed at least 30 UC transferable units and have a GPA of a 2.8. TAG students are required to complete all of their transfer admission requirements and the courses requirements list for their major by the end of the Spring 2011 semester. UC Merced courses are listed below; refer to assist.org to find out the courses you can take to meet these requirements at your community college.

School of Engineering:

Majors in the School of Engineering require a minimum GPA of 3.0 except for Computer Science and Engineering which requires a minimum GPA of 3.1. The TAG requires you to complete the following UC Merced course requirements at your community college prior to enrolling in the University:

- MATH 21, MATH 22 , MATH 23, MATH 24
- CHEM 2
- CSE 20, 21
- PHYS 8, PHYS 9

School of Natural Sciences:

Majors in the School of Natural Sciences require a minimum GPA of 2.8. Your grades in math, science and computer science courses must be at least a 2.5. TAGs for the majors listed below require you to complete the following UC Merced course requirements at your community college prior to enrolling in the University:

Biological Science:
- MATH 21
- CHEM 2, 10
- PHYS 8

Chemical Science:
- MATH 21, 22
- CHEM 2, 10
- PHYS 8

For all other majors you are encouraged to complete a majority of your major preparation prior to enrolling in UC Merced. Completion of your major preparation will prepare you for coursework at the University and help you with graduating in a timely manner.

School of Social Science, Humanities and Arts:

Majors in the School of Social Science Humanities and Arts require a minimum GPA of 2.8, except for Psychology which requires a minimum GPA of 3.0 TAGs for the majors listed below require you to complete the following UC Merced course requirements at your community college prior to enrolling in the University:

Psychology.:
Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and completed the following courses listed below with a grade of C or better.
- PSY 1
- PSY 10
- PSY 15

One of the courses listed below:
- ECON 1, POLI 1, PUBP 1, SOC 1

For all other majors you are encouraged to complete a majority of your major preparation and the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) prior to enrollment in the UC Merced. Completion of your major preparation will prepare you for coursework at the University and help you with graduating in a timely manner.

When Do I Apply For A TAG?

TAG applications for the **Fall of 2011** semester should be submitted between:

September 1 - 30

Why Apply For A TAG?

The benefits of participating in the UC Merced TAG Program include early notification that your admission to UC Merced is guaranteed (subject to the conditions of the program); and opportunities for individualized advising about major preparation, general education, and/or IGETC requirements.

How Do I Apply For A TAG?

- Apply for a TAG by online by visiting uctag.universityofcalifornia.edu
- Complete an application for admission. Applications are available at www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

Questions?

Contact us if you have any questions. We are happy to provide assistance.