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Academic Excellence Leadership Innovation Individual Attention

Apply to UC Merced

The priority filing period for the fall semester is November 1 through 30. To apply, complete and submit an online application. UC Merced advisors are available to help with the process. Detailed admission requirements, as well as a link to the online application, are available at admissions.ucmerced.edu.

Launch Your Future!

Join the excitement at the University of California, Merced, and benefit from the unique opportunities awaiting you. UC Merced is a smart choice and here's why:

- Outstanding faculty and academics—backed by the UC commitment to quality
- An interdisciplinary approach to all fields of study
- Strong focus on research and interactive learning
- Degree programs offered in three schools
  - Engineering (209) 228-4411
  - Natural Sciences (209) 228-4309
  - Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts (209) 228-7742
- Exciting new majors added every year
- Pre-professional programs like pre-med and pre-law, as well as preparation for a career in business or teaching, are available to you
- Fostering your success—reap the benefits of a new research university
- Personal attention and small classes
- Caring faculty and staff members to help you reach your goals
- Career services to provide you with internships and jobs at your fingertips; contribute to the community and get hands-on experience
- Advising and tutoring to serve your needs
- Disabled student services and support
- Study abroad—travel to one of 34 countries

"Everyone at UC Merced is committed, willing and ready to make sure that each student here succeeds."

–Rodney Nickens
Portsmouth, Virginia

Programs and Degrees

Anthropology, B.A.

Applied Mathematical Sciences, B.S.
emphases
- Computational Biology
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Economics
- Engineering Mechanics
- Physics

Bioengineering, B.S.
emphases
- Nanobioengineering
- Tissue Engineering

Biological Sciences, B.S.
emphases
- Developmental Biology
- Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- Human Biology
- Microbiology and Immunology
- Molecular and Cell Biology

Chemical Sciences, B.S.
emphases
- Biological Chemistry
- Chemistry
- Environmental Chemistry
- Materials Chemistry

Cognitive Science, B.A. and B.S.

Computer Science and Engineering, B.S.

Economics, B.A.

Earth Systems Science, B.S.
emphases
- Atmospheric Sciences
- Ecosystem Science
- Geochemistry and Biogeochemistry
- Hydrologic and Climate Sciences

Environmental Engineering, B.S.
emphases
- Air Pollution
- Hydrology
- Sustainable Energy
- Water Quality

History, B.A.
concentrations
- United States History
- World History

Literatures and Cultures, B.A.
concentrations
- Literatures of the English-Speaking World
- Literatures of the Spanish-Speaking World

Management, B.S.

Materials Science and Engineering, B.S.

Mechanical Engineering, B.S.

Physics, B.S.
emphases
- Atomic/Molecular/Optical Physics
- Biophysics
- Mathematical Physics

Political Science, B.A.

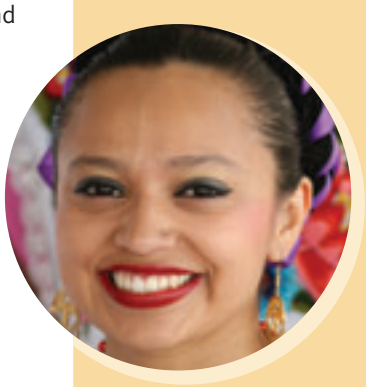
Psychology, B.A.

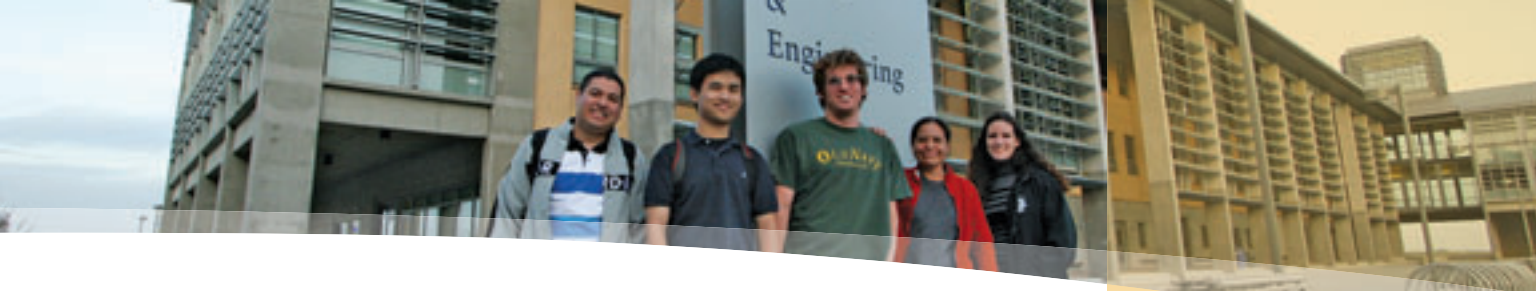
Minors
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Applied Mathematics
- Arts
- Cognitive Science
- Economics
- History
- Literatures and Cultures
- Management
- Natural Sciences Education
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Services Science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Writing

Individualized Graduate Programs/Emphases (M.A. or M.S., Ph.D.)
- Applied Mathematics
- Biological Engineering and Small-Scale Technologies
- Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
- Environmental Systems
- Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics
- Physics and Chemistry
- Quantitative and Systems Biology
- Social and Cognitive Sciences
- World Cultures

"The best thing about being a UC Merced student is that I'm more than a number. I'm an individual."

–Sanjeev Chahal
Hayward, California





Why should you consider UC Merced?

Here are just a few reasons:

Activities: Student-driven events on campus and off—cultural, athletic and social interactions.

Student Organizations: More than 80 clubs to choose from and the opportunity to build your own. Check out **studentlife.ucmerced.edu**.

Recreation and Wellness: New facilities; the latest in fitness equipment; and services catering to your social, physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual health. Log on to **recreation.ucmerced.edu**.

Athletics: Join one of our sports teams (like volleyball, archery, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, men's lacrosse, cheerleading, ultimate Frisbee and badminton) or participate in intramural athletics. Stay fit, have fun and make friends!

Transportation: Whatever your mode of transportation, you'll be able to get around. Take advantage of our CatTracks shuttle or ride the bus. Want to get away? Take one of our day trips to San Francisco or Yosemite.

Guaranteed Housing: UC Merced guarantees housing to incoming freshmen and transfer students who meet stated deadlines. On-campus housing features spacious new apartment-style suites and residential halls as well as activities and programs for residents. Student staff members are on hand, dedicated to creating a safe, dynamic learning and living environment. In addition, apartments and houses are available to rent off campus. Learn more at **housing.ucmerced.edu**.

Financial Aid: UC Merced aims to make college affordable. Money concerns should not stop you from attending UC Merced, and with support from financial aid programs, they won't. Apply for financial aid between January 1 and March 2 by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All students are encouraged to apply for financial aid and scholarships. Visit **financialaid.ucmerced.edu** for more information.

Disabled Student Services: At UC Merced, we are committed to meeting the needs of all students with disabilities. The Disability Services Center works with each student on an individual basis to assure that he or she is provided with the appropriate reasonable accommodations required to maximize academic success. Learn more at **disability.ucmerced.edu**.

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–Ashley Nand
Modesto, California

Facts and Figures

University Type
Research university, newest campus of world-renowned UC system, nestled in the heart of California's San Joaquin Valley

History
University founded in 1868. Campus opened in 2005.

Semester or Quarter
Semester

Degrees Offered
Baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees

Expected Fall 2008 Enrollment
2,700

2007-08 ENROLLED UNDERGRADUATE CLASS PROFILE

Fall 2007 Entering Class
669 freshmen, 116 transfer students

Total Fall 2007 Enrollment
1,750 undergraduate, 121 graduate

Fall 2007 Male/Female Ratio
53% Male/48% Female

Ethnic composition
6% African American
1% American Indian
33% Asian/Pacific Islander
29% Chicano/Latino
25% White
1% International
5% Unknown

FALL 2008-09 ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE

Freshmen
Average GPA: 3.54
Average SAT Score: 1654
Average ACT Composite Score: 23

Transfer
Average GPA: 3.09

Visit UC Merced

Take a student-guided tour of the campus and find out about academics, housing and student life any weekday and selected Saturdays throughout the year. For more information and to make tour reservations, call (209) 228-6316 or (866) 270-7301 (toll-free in California) or check out tours.ucmerced.edu.

Merced: Fun in the Sun

Make yourself at home! With more than 75,000 people, Merced has just the right balance of convenience and charm. Bicycles offer a perfect way to explore the community via an extensive network of paved bike paths. The region features wide open space, beautiful vistas of the Sierra Nevada mountain range and diverse terrain from grasslands to foothills. You'll benefit from easy access to some of California's best natural attractions, including Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia national parks. Beyond the natural resources, you'll find arts, shopping, dining and recreational opportunities right in town and in nearby communities. Centrally located, Merced is only an hour's drive north of Fresno and two hours from San Francisco and Sacramento.

Contact Us:

For UC Merced admission information, visit us on the Web at **admissions.ucmerced.edu**, e-mail us at **Iwant2be@ucmerced.edu** or call (209) 228-4682 (out of state) or (866) 270-7301 (toll-free in California).

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