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Ongoing Institutional Surveys Administered or Supported by IRDS

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Please also refer to the UC Merced [Campus Survey Calendar](#)

Note: UG = undergraduate; GR = graduate; UCOP = UC Office of the President

Undergraduate and Graduate Student Surveys	Respondents	Topics	Schedule*	Last administered
Statement of Intent to Register (SIR)-Yes	Admitted UG who intend to register	Reasons for planning to attend UC Merced	Spring and Summer	2020
Statement of Intent to Register (SIR)-No	Admitted UG who do not intend to register	Reasons for planning not to attend UC Merced	Spring and Summer	2020
New Student Survey	All new UG frosh and transfer students	Educational plans, transition to college, use of campus services	Fall	2019
University of California Undergraduate Experience Survey (UCUES) (UCOP)	All UG students	Academic and co-curricular experiences, study habits, learning outcomes, attitudes, perceptions, assessment of instruction, advising, student services, campus climate, personal growth and academic development	Spring (even years)	2020
Graduating Senior Survey	All UG seniors expected to graduate during current academic year	Expectations for the future (employment, education) and assessment of the quality of preparation for the future provided by UC Merced	Spring	2020
Housing (HRL) Experience Survey**	All UG students living in campus-sponsored housing	Evaluation of resident assistants, programming, customer service, academic support, safety, facilities, and dining	Spring	2020
National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)	All UG frosh and seniors	Academic and co-curricular experiences and institutional performance	Spring (odd years)	2019
Princeton Review Survey	Sample of current UG students	Student satisfaction with a variety of campus services and facilities	Fall (every 3 years; next 2021)	Spring 2019

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Undergraduate and Graduate Student Surveys (cont.)	Respondents	Topics	Schedule*	Last administered
Alumni Journey Survey	UG alumni who graduated 1, 3, and 5 years ago	Contact info; employment/education information including preparation; engagement in volunteer/outreach; interest in being engaged with campus as alum	Summer (even years)	2020
National College Health Assessment	Sample of current UG and GR students	Student behaviors, physical and mental health	Spring (odd years)	2019
Graduate Student Survey	All continuing GR students	Satisfaction with program, UC Merced facilities and services, mentorship, and campus climate	Summer	2020
NSF Survey of Earned Doctorates	All graduating PhD students	Future career plans of PhD recipients	Continuous	NA
Cost of Attendance Survey (UCOP)	Sample of current UG students	Input regarding cost of attending UC Merced	Varies (approx. every 3 years)	2020
Graduate Cost of Attendance Survey (UCOP)	Sample of current GR students	Input regarding cost of attending UC Merced	Varies (approx. every 3 years)	2019
Multi-Institutional Student of Leadership (MSL) Survey	Sample of current UG students	Leadership experiences	Varies	2018
PhD Career Pathways Survey (UCOP)	Current GR students and GR alumni	Educational experience and plans (current students); education/employment information (alumni)	Varies	2020
Student Expenses and Resources Survey (SEARS) (UCOP)	Current UG and GR students	Student expenses and resources	Varies	2018
PhD Alumni Survey (UCOP)	PhD Alumni	Post-graduate plans and experiences; in collaboration with CGS and Grad Div	Varies	2019
Continuing Student Den Survey	Continuing UG students	Information to assist with placing continuing students into Den Program	Fall/Spring	2020

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Faculty/Staff Surveys	Respondents	Topics	Schedule*	Last administered
Staff Climate Survey	Current staff	Campus climate at UC Merced for staff	Varies	2018
Faculty Climate Survey	Current faculty – ladder and non-ladder rank	Campus climate at UC Merced for faculty	Varies	2017
Commute Verification Survey (TAPS)	Sample of faculty and staff who work on campus	Commuting practices for SJVAPCD	Spring	2020
Multiple Audience Surveys	Respondents	Topics	Schedule*	Last administered
COVID-19 Experience Survey	Faculty, Staff, Graduate Students, Postdocs	Experiences during COVID-19 pandemic in the areas of well-being, work, and perceptions of the campus response; Collaboration with People First Workgroup	Varies	2020

*Administration occurs on an annual basis during the semesters indicated unless otherwise noted.

*Formerly called the Housing and Residence Life (HRL) Satisfaction/Services Survey