New Student Survey 2013

Your first weeks at UC Merced

Q3	1 When you arrived at UC Merced, how welcoming did you find the campus environment
\mathbf{O}	Very welcoming
\mathbf{O}	Somewhat welcoming
\mathbf{O}	Not welcoming

Q31open Please share why you found the campus environment to be not welcoming.

Q1 How satisfied are you so far with the following facilities at UC Merced?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Classroom facilities	0	0	0	0
Computer labs	•	O	O	O
Library facilities	•	O	O	O
Tutorial facilities	O	O	O	O
On-campus housing facilities	0	0	0	0

Q1open Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some of the facilities at UC Merced.

Q2 How satisfied are you so far with the following aspects of your educational experience at UC Merced?

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	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Frequency/quality of feedback from professors	•	•	•	•
Amount of contact with faculty	O	•	0	•
Class schedule (days/times)	0	0	0	0
Access to small classes	0	0	0	0
Availability of courses you need	•	0	0	•
Relevance of coursework to everyday life	O	0	0	•
Relevance of coursework to future career plans	•	•	•	•
Overall quality of instruction	•	•	•	0

Q2open Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some of your educational experience at UC Merced.

Q3AS How satisfied are you so far with the following academic services at UC Merced?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Academic Advising	0	0	0	0
Registration process	0	0	0	O
Financial Aid services	0	•	0	O
Library services	•	O	O .	O
Tutoring or other academic assistance	0	•	0	0

Q3ASopen Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some academic services at UC Merced.

Q3WS How satisfied are you so far with the following wellness services at UC Merced?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Student Health Center services	0	0	0	O
Psychological counseling services	•	•	•	•
Disability Services	0	0	0	0
Recreational programs (e.g.outdoor trips, intramural sports, recreation center)	•	•	•	•

Q3WSopen Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some wellness services at UC Merced.

Q3OS How satisfied are you so far with the following services at UC Merced?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Dining Commons	•	•	0	•
The Lantern	•	•	O .	O
The Marketplace at The Summits	0	0	0	•
Food vendors along Scholar's Lane	O	O	•	•
Housing services	O	O	O .	•
Campus Bookstore product inventory	•	•	•	0
Campus Bookstore textbook rental	0	•	0	0
Cat Tracks shuttle service during "Welcome Week"	•	•	•	0
Cat Tracks shuttle service during Fall Semester	0	0	0	0

Q3OSopen Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some services at UC Merced.

Q3WSA How satisfied are you so far with the following welcome and social activities at UC Merced?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did not attend
Summer Orientation	0	0	0	•
Variety of "Weeks of Welcome" events during the first weeks of the semester	•	•	•	•
Timing of "Weeks of Welcome" events during the first weeks of the semester	0	0	•	•
Ascend New Student Success Conference	0	•	0	0
Organized campus social activities	0	0	0	0

Q3WSAopen Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some welcome and social activities at UC Merced.

Q46 What did you gain from Summer Orientation that has helped you transition to life at UC Merced?

Q4	7a Were you aware of the Weeks of Welcome events occurring on campus during the first
fev	v weeks of the semester?
\mathbf{O}	Yes
\mathbf{O}	No
Q4	7b How did you hear about the Weeks of Welcome activities occurring on campus? (Please
sel	ect all that apply.)
	Weeks of Welcome booklet
	Weeks of Welcome poster-size calendars
	Happenings emails
	Information tables in front of OSL
	Residence Life Staff (e.g. RA, PA, office staff)
	Word of mouth
	Other (Please describe.)

Q47c Please answer the following questions about the Weeks of Welcome (WoW) events:

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		ided opportunities		nd certain WoW hat I could
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Connect with the UCM campus community.	O	0	0	O
Explore the Merced community.	•	•	•	O
Meet other new students.	0	0	0	O
Meet returning UCM students.	O	•	0	O
Meet UCM graduate students.	O	0	O	O
Meet UCM personnel (faculty, staff).	O	0	•	O

Q47d Which Weeks of Welcome events helped you most with your transition to life at UC Merced? And how did they help you in your transition?

Q48a Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about the ASCEND New Student Success Conference.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The ASCEND conference addressed questions I had about college.	•	•	•	•
After participating in the ASCEND conference, I felt more prepared to begin classes at UCM.	•	•	•	•
The ASCEND conference helped increase my confidence about connecting with UCM personnel (e.g. staff, faculty, TAs)	•	•	•	•
As a result of attending the ASCEND conference, I know how to access the campus resources (e.g. tutoring, financial aid, job search) available to support my success at UCM.	•	•	•	•

Q48b Which Ascend New Student Success Conference workshop(s) did you find most helpful in adjusting to your first weeks as a student at UC Merced?

Q48c What information and/or skills did you learn at the ASCEND New Student Success Conference that helped you adjust to your first weeks as a student at UC Merced?

Q4 How satisfied are you so far with the following aspects of your overall experience at UC Merced?

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Opportunities to explore the community on your own	•	•	0	•
Opportunities to make new friends	•	•	•	•
Opportunities to get involved on campus outside the classroom	•	•	0	•
Overall sense of community among students	•	•	•	•
Overall college experience	•	•	0	•

Q4open Please elaborate on why you are very dissatisfied with some aspects of your overall experience at UC Merced.

Q49 During the second full week of fall classes, UC Merced clubs and organizations and Merced area non-profits held 2 days of involvement fairs to introduce themselves to UC Merced students. Did you attend one or both of the fair days?

	Did you attend?		Did you collect information from a booth?		Did you sign up to join a club or volunteer with an organization?			
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Did not attend	Yes	No	Did not attend
UC Merced clubs and organizations	•	•	•	•	0	•	•	O
Merced area non-profit organizations and businesses	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

Q34 Since arriving at UC Merced, have you:

	Yes	No
joined a club sports team?	•	•
visited the Recreation Center?	•	•
worked out (including taking an exercise class) in the Recreation Center?	•	0

Your Career at UC Merced

Q14 While at UC Merced, how likely are you to:

	Very Likely	Somewhat Likely	Somewhat Unlikely	Very Unlikely
Be satisfied with your first semester GPA	0	0	0	0
Change your major	0	0	0	0
Change your choice of career	0	0	0	•
Transfer to another college before graduating	•	•	•	0
Participate in research activities with a faculty member	•	0	•	0
Study abroad	O	O	O	O

Q1	5 What is the	highest	degree	you intend	I to obta	in at U	C Merce	ed?
O	Bachelor's							

- O Master's of Business Administration (MBA)
- O Master's Other
- O Law (LLB, JD)
- O Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- O Doctorate Other Health Professional (DDS, DMD, OD, PharmD, DVM)
- O Doctorate Other, non-medical (PhD, EdD)
- O Other
- O Unknown
- O None

Q1	6 What is the highest degree you intend to obtain at another institution?
\mathbf{O}	Bachelor's
\mathbf{O}	Master's of Business Administration (MBA)
\mathbf{O}	Master's - Other
\mathbf{O}	Law (LLB, JD)
\mathbf{O}	Doctor of Medicine (MD)
\mathbf{O}	Doctorate - Other Health Professional (DDS, DMD, OD, PharmD, DVM)
\mathbf{O}	Doctorate - Other, non-medical (PhD, EdD)
O	Other
\mathbf{O}	Unknown
O	None

 Q10 Do you currently have a job? (Select all that apply.) ☐ Yes, I have a job on campus. ☐ Yes, I have a job off campus in Merced. ☐ Yes, I have a job off campus in/near my hometown. ☐ No, I do not have a job. 				
Q10a How many hours do you spend during a typical week working for pay on campus? (Please enter one number that reflects the average hours you work in a week.)				
Q10b How many hours do you spend during a typical week working for pay off campus in Merced? (Please enter one number that reflects the average hours you work in a week.)				
Q10c How much time do you spend during a typical month working for pay off campus in/near your hometown? (For the first box, please enter a number between 1 and 4.)(For the second box, please enter one number that reflects the average hours you work in a weekend.) Weekends per month Hours per weekend				
 Q41 How concerned are you about paying for your undergraduate education? Not at all concerned Unconcerned Somewhat unconcerned Somewhat concerned Concerned Very concerned 				
Q42 How concerned are you about the educational debt, if any, that you will accumulate while in college? O Not at all concerned O Unconcerned O Somewhat unconcerned O Somewhat concerned O Concerned O Very concerned				

Q4	4 To what extent do you agree with this statement: Given the grants and scholarships, if any,
tha	It I receive, the total cost of attending UC Merced is manageable.
\mathbf{O}	Strongly agree
\mathbf{O}	Agree
\mathbf{O}	Somewhat agree
\mathbf{O}	Somewhat disagree
O	Disagree
0	Strongly disagree

Choosing UC Merced

Q1	1 When you applied to colleges, was UC Merced your:
\mathbf{O}	First choice
\mathbf{O}	Second choice
\mathbf{O}	Third choice
O	Lower than third choice
Q1:	2 Which college/university was your first choice?
O	UC Berkeley
O	UC Davis
\mathbf{O}	UC Irvine
O	UCLA
O	UC Riverside
O	UC San Diego
O	UC Santa Barbara
O	UC Santa Cruz
O	Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
O	Santa Clara University
O	Stanford University
O	University of the Pacific
O	Other

Q12other Please list the college/university that was your first choice.

Q13 How important to you were each of the following reasons for attending UC Merced?

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Parents/relatives wanted you to come here	0	0	•
Advice from high school teachers/counselors	0	0	0
Ability to live near or at home	0	0	O
Availability of on- campus housing	0	•	•
Campus visit	•	O	O
Diversity of student population	•	•	•
Friendliness/helpfulness of staff	•	•	•
Friendliness/helpfulness of faculty	0	•	•
Personal attention from faculty and staff	0	•	•
Opportunity to work closely with faculty	0	0	0
Opportunity to be involved in research projects	•	•	•
Small size of campus	•	O	O
Opportunity to be part of a new campus	•	•	•
Reputation of UC Merced campus	•	•	•
Reputation of UC system	•	•	•
Quality of intended major	0	0	0
Unable to attend preferred college	0	0	O
Financial aid offer	•	0	O
Not offered financial aid by preferred college	0	0	O

Q13open Please list any other reasons that were important to you in choosing UC Merced.

Q50 Are you thinking about taking courses at UC Merced next summer?
O Yes
O No
Q51 What courses would you like to take next summer?

Suggestions

Q28 What, if anything, would you have done differently that would have enhanced the first weeks of your undergraduate experience at UC Merced?

Q29 What, if anything, could UC Merced have done differently that would have enhanced the first weeks of your undergraduate experience at UC Merced?