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On Campus

The "On Campus" feature looks at transfer programs and practices at colleges and universities throughout the state. Each issue of the ASSIST Transfer Channel focuses on a different college or university. In this edition, Susan Fauroat talks about articulation news at the University of California, Merced.

Susan Fauroat worked for many years in admissions, articulation, and transfer services at UC Santa Barbara. She is currently the Associate Director of Admissions at UC Merced, overseeing application processing and articulation.

Greetings from the University of California's new campus in Merced! I am delighted to seize this opportunity to wish you all a happy New Year and provide you with an update on the progress of articulation at our beautiful new campus. If you haven't seen our Web site lately, check us out at www.ucmerced.edu.

First, some important updates for applicants for academic year 2007-08. UC Merced faculty approved three new, popular majors at the end of fall semester. Economics, History, and Political Science majors are now available to your students. On-time applicants for fall 2007 received a notice in January informing them of the new majors and how to select one, if desired. Another major, Literature and Cultures, was added during the first week in February and is also available for fall 2007. Students who already applied for admission can download and complete our "Request to Change Major" form, then mail or fax it to the Admissions office. The form is available online at admissions.ucmerced.edu/ (click on future students).

UC Merced will continue to accept late applications for fall 2007 until further notice. Late applications must be submitted on paper using the downloadable form at university of california.edu/apply and available at our Web site, admissions.ucmerced.edu. Late applicants interested in the new majors are advised to indicate the major code 7535 "Undeclared in the School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts" when they send their application to the University of California Application Processor. They can then send the completed "Request to Change Major" form directly to the Admissions office via fax or U.S. Postal Service.

All majors available to transfer students at UC Merced are currently accepting students who meet the published requirements for admission to the University of California. This may change in the future. For now, students planning to major in engineering need to know that we recommend completion of general chemistry and calculus, including multivariate calculus, prior to transfer.



For majors in biological sciences, we recommend that students focus on general chemistry and, at minimum, the first semester of calculus for mathematics and science majors.

The articulation effort at UC Merced experienced a hiatus when staffing changes occurred in the office of Admissions/Relations with Schools Colleges last fall. We hope to be back in production mode soon. New staff members have been hired and are currently in training. Our new articulation liaison will be on board for the CIAC meeting in April. Faculty at Merced provided us with curriculum updates for the Management and Bioengineering majors, available to transfer students in fall 2007. These and other updates will be entered to 2006-07 agreements in ASSIST and as many colleges as possible will be published soon. New agreements and majors will be added to the 2007-08 articulation agreements this summer. So, between now and the end of April, please send articulation questions, requests, and catalogs to yours truly, Susan Fauroat.

We look forward to working with your students!

Susan Fauroat.
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