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Hello,

Welcome to UC Merced, we are excited you will be joining the Bobcat community of scholars and researchers! As you embark on this exciting journey, we want to share important information to help you prepare for your first day and set you up for a successful graduate experience.



**Save the Date: GROW begins August 15th**

Graduate Orientation Week (GROW) will begin on Thursday, August 15. All incoming UC Merced graduate students are expected to participate in person and all workshops and sessions are required unless otherwise noted in the official schedule.

GROW includes a variety of workshops, training programs, and events designed to introduce new students to the UC Merced campus community and prepare them for their graduate studies. Visit our [website](#) for additional GROW details.



### **PreGROW Webinar Series**

PreGROW is a webinar series designed to familiarize you with campus resources and connect you with peers before your arrival on campus. We encourage you to attend as many sessions as possible!

### **Upcoming PreGROW Sessions:**

#### **PreGROW Webinar: New Hire Paperwork and Grad Funding Workshop**

Join us on 07/17 at 1:00 PM

#### **PreGROW Webinar: Housing Resources**

Join us on 07/23 at 8:30 AM

#### **PreGROW Webinar: Effective Working Relationships with Your Advisor**

Join us on 07/24 at 1:00 PM

#### **PreGROW Webinar: Preparing for GROW Office Hour**

Join us on 07/31 at 1:00 PM

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### **Action Item: Access & Download UC Merced Connect**

The [UC Merced Connect platform](#) serves as the central digital gateway to UC Merced, offering simplified access to campus resources, information, and personalized messaging. You must download UC Merced Connect to [register](#) for classes. Be sure to subscribe to the Graduate Division channel for specialized content related to graduate students.



### Stay in Touch

Please don't hesitate to contact the UC Merced Graduate Resource Center with any questions or concerns. We encourage you to regularly check your email for [GROW](#) updates. Additional information for incoming students can be found on our [website](#).

We look forward to welcoming you to campus this fall!

Sincerely,

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