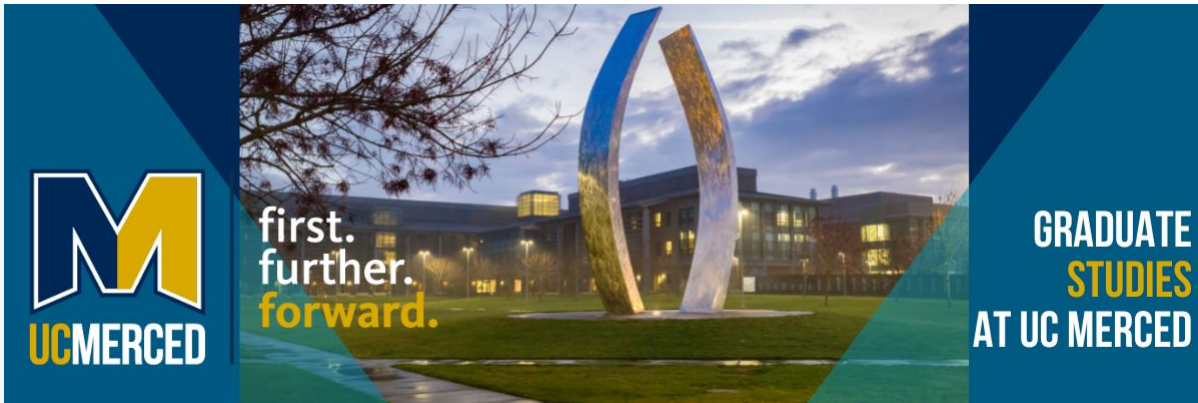


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To: Jess Ventura



Hi Pavanakumar,

We can't wait to welcome you to UC Merced for [Graduate Orientation Week \(GROW\)](#)! GROW begins August 15th and in-person attendance is required for all incoming graduate students.

[Visit](#) the GROW portal to view the schedule, parking information, and the campus map. The schedule is subject to change, so we encourage you to view it regularly for the most up-to-date information on mandatory training times and locations.

Preparing for GROW

GROW begins August 15th

Beat the crowds and [check in for GROW](#) early! Stop by Granite Pass 135 between 10 am- 3 pm on August 15th to pick up your name badge, CatCard, and GROW swag (wear your t-shirt on the 16th!). Our team will be ready to welcome you with a sweet treat and help answer any questions before your first full day of programming on August 16th.

Book Your New Hire Paperwork Appointment

If you have received an employment position (TA or GSR), you **MUST** attend a new hire paperwork appointment on August 15th to complete the onboarding process. Failure to complete new hire paperwork will result in a delay in pay. Schedule your appointment [here](#). Please note, that walk-ins are also available but priority will be given to students with an appointment.

Immunizations and Health Services

The Health & Wellness team (Student Health Services, SHIP CAPS, Health Promotion and CARE) will table at the [check-in session](#) on August 15th from 10 am- 1 pm. Stop by and ask any questions related to health services at UC Merced.

ALL incoming undergraduate and graduate students (including re-admits) are required to complete a TB Screening Questionnaire and provide proof of vaccination or immunity to Measles/Mumps/Rubella, Varicella (Chickenpox), Meningococcal Conjugate (MCV4 if under age of 22 only) and Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap) to comply with the UC Immunization Plan.

Student Health Services is now providing **immunization appointments** only for graduate students. This is time they have created to meet individually with you via scheduled appointments to review your immunization records and provide any required vaccinations. **Please have your immunization record available for review.** Immunization Review appointments are now available for booking beginning on August 15th through your [Health Portal](#).

Get Your CatCard

New incoming graduate students are eligible and encouraged to submit their photo electronically for their official UC Merced CatCard identification card. A digital photo submission allows you to obtain your CatCard faster during GROW. Our team will have CatCards available for pickup at the [check-in session](#) on August 15th.

Visit the [CatCard website](#) to submit your photo online before August 13th to have it available for pick up on the 15th! All UC Merced students and staff are required to have a photo identification card.

Transportation During GROW

The Graduate Division will offer a complimentary parking code on August 15th & 16th. Details will be available in the [GROW portal](#). Please note, that if you plan to park on campus after August 16th, you must purchase a monthly permit or use the Flowbird app to purchase a day permit. Visit the [TAPs](#) website for details.

You will not need a CatCard to board the CatTracks bus during GROW. Let the driver know you are a UC Merced graduate student attending orientation and you will be allowed to ride.

Our team looks forward to meeting you soon. Please don't hesitate to [contact us](#) with any questions.

Sincerely,

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