Effective during the 2018-2019 Academic Year

EARTH SYSTEMS SCIENCE, B.S.

Requirements for Admission

For admission to the Earth Systems Science, B.S. major, students must earn a minimum overall GPA of 2.8 or better, and must complete classes articulated with the following UC Merced courses prior to admission:

- CHEM 2 and CHEM 10
- MATH 11 or MATH 21
- PHYS 8 or PHYS 18

Transfer students seeking fall admission should have the following completed by the spring term preceding fall enrollment at UC Merced:

1. All minimum admissions requirements including appropriate courses in math and the equivalent of WRI 1 and WRI 10 (see articulation by department on ASSIST.org).

2. At least one social science, Humanities or Arts course listed in the general education information for the School of Natural Sciences. Two courses (one from each area) is strongly recommended.

3. All major preparation requirements as stated above.

Advanced Placement Information

Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) Examination Note:

AP and IB examination credit policies are detailed in the 2017-18 UC Merced general catalog viewable online at:

http://catalog.ucmerced.edu/content.php?catoid=7&navoid=647#AP_IB
*ALERT* It is strongly recommended that you obtain a full transcript of your academic records from each of the colleges and universities you have attended before you start your UC application. **Applicants must report ALL grades in ALL courses--transferable and not transferable--from all institutions attended.** Applicants are solely responsible for the integrity of their self-reported academic record in the UC application.

Applicants are encouraged to clear any No Pass, D, or F letter grade received in UC Transfer course. Applicants are most competitive in the Admissions Process with fewer withdrawals and/or repeated course work in major preparation.

All course work must be completed with a 'C' or better.

Following these guidelines will assist you to be more competitive for admission to your UC Merced major.

If you have any questions about UC Merced admissions policy, please email: admissions@ucmerced.edu

Completion of IGETC is not recommended but is accepted for this major.

All course work must be completed with a letter grade of "C" or better.

For the most up-to-date information about transferring to UC Merced, please visit admissions.ucmerced.edu/transfer_requirements. Information about applying for a Transfer Admission Guarantee is available at admissions.ucmerced.edu/tag.

### ADDITIONAL LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the courses listed below, choose two additional UC transferable courses in Natural Sciences or Engineering (not geology).

### LOWER DIVISION MAJOR PREPARATION COURSES

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<th>CHEM 2 - General Chemistry I (4.00)</th>
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<th>ESS 1 - Introduction to Earth Systems Science (4.00)</th>
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<td>CSE 20</td>
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<td>MATH 15</td>
<td>Introduction to Scientific Data Analysis</td>
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**COMPLETE CALCULUS I AND II**

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**END OF AGREEMENT**