

**PALOMAR COLLEGE**  
**GUARANTEE YOUR ADMISSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED**  
**THROUGH THE TAG PROGRAM (Transfer Admission Guarantee)**  
**FOR TRANSFER FALL 2010 AND SPRING 2011 SEMESTERS**

**What is the TAG?**

The TAG is an agreement between Palomar College and UC Merced, which guarantees upper division applicants' admission to the University in all majors. **Selective schools and majors have specific GPA and course requirements which must be completed BEFORE transfer.\* The UC Merced TAG allows transfers in fall and spring semesters.**

**Who is eligible to participate in the TAG?**

- A student who has completed a minimum of 27 UC-transferable units with the minimum GPA required for the desired major at the time of TAG submission
- An international student who has completed **no more than 30** UC-transferable units at a post-secondary institution outside the United States

**Who is NOT ELIGIBLE to participate in the TAG?**

- A student who has accumulated more than 30 UC-transferable units from any four-year university
- A student who **will not** have attended a California community college for a minimum of two terms, excluding summer sessions, with a minimum of 30 UC-transferable units
- A student whose last college attended before transfer is **not** a California community college
- A high school student who is concurrently enrolled at a California community college and has not yet earned a high school diploma

**What are the requirements for the TAG?**

To transfer under the TAG agreement, you must fulfill the following:

- At the time of transfer to Merced, student must transfer with a minimum of 60 UC-transferable units and a minimum GPA as determined by the major\*
- Pass with a grade of "C" or higher the following subjects for minimum eligibility: two (2) UC-transferable English composition courses; one (1) UC-transferable math course; and four (4) UC-transferable courses chosen from at least two of the following areas: arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and biological and physical sciences
- The English Composition, critical thinking, and UC-transferable mathematics courses necessary to satisfy regular UC admission requirements with a grade "C" or better in each must be completed by the following schedule:
  - fall admission: complete courses by the previous spring term
  - spring admission: complete courses by the previous summer term

**How do I become a TAG participant?**

- A student may sign up for the TAG as soon as the student has completed the minimum 27 UC-transferable units with the minimum GPA required by the major: TAG fall 2010 should be submitted by September 1 -November 30, 2009
  - TAG spring 2011 should be submitted by May-1 - July 31, 2010
- Download a UC TAG form from <http://uctransfer.universityofcalifornia.edu>
- Complete the TAG form and mail it along with a copy of your transcripts to: UC Merced Admissions  
Attention: Transfer Admission Guarantee  
5200 North Lake Road  
Merced, CA 95343
- Once submitted, an admissions representative will contact you with further information.
- Complete an application for admission. Applications are available at [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply)

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**\*Selective schools and majors:**

School of Engineering:

- all majors except for Computer Science and Engineering - minimum 3.0 GPA
- Computer Science and Engineering - minimum 3.1 GPA
- Plus completion of equivalent of UC Merced's courses:
  - Math 21, Math 22, Math 23, Math 24
  - Chem 2
  - CSE 20, 21
  - Phys 8, Phys 9

School of Natural Sciences:

- All majors minimum 2.8 GPA
- Plus completion of equivalent of UC Merced's courses
  - Biological Science:
    - Math 21
    - Chem 2, 10
    - Phys 8
  - Chemical Science:
    - Math 21, 22
    - Chem 2, 10
    - Phys 8

School of Social Science, Humanities and Arts:

- All majors minimum 2.8 GPA
- Psychology, B.A. - minimum 3.0 GPA
  - Plus completion of equivalent of UC Merced's courses:
    - Math 10
    - Psy 10, 15
    - One of the following courses: Econ 1 or Poli 1 or Pubp 1 or Soc 1