

Organization Name	Description	Link	Current Point of Contact	Contact Information	Social Media Accounts/handles
Cal-HOSA	Cal HOSA at UC Merced is a student-led organization that prepares students for future careers in healthcare through leadership development, professional networking, and career exploration. Our mission is to equip members with the skills, knowledge, and experiences necessary to succeed in the rapidly growing healthcare industry. By participating in health-related competitions, community service projects, and leadership workshops, students gain hands-on experience and grow as future healthcare professionals. We are dedicated to fostering a collaborative environment where members can connect with peers, healthcare professionals, and educators to enhance their academic and career pursuits in health sciences.	Organization Details Involve	Logan Mozingo	lmozingo@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @ucmhosa
Campus Advocacy, Resources and Education (CARE)	The Campus Advocacy, Resources, and Education (CARE) office collaborate with UC Merced partners to develop and support an understanding of gender-based violence through prevention education and trauma-informed care advocacy using an intersectional framework.	Organization Details Involve	Denise Lopez	deniselopez2@ucmerced.edu	
Disability Rights, Education, Activism, and Mentorship	Here at DREAM at UC Merced, we advocate and focus on the students with disabilities and their rights on and off campus, their education and the mentorship to success, and the overall activism for the students with disabilities on campus. We are actively building a network for students to be empowered for not just campus change, but even off-campus, encouraging the development of culture and community behind disabilities, increasing support from fellow peers and supporters, and also increasing support within academia on campus.	Organization Details Involve	Nihira Shrivastav	nshrivastav@ucmerced.edu	
Diversified Doctors	Our organization is dedicated to informing undergraduate pre-med students about the process of becoming a doctor and providing opportunities that allow these students to diversify the medical field with their unique ideas. We pride ourselves on founding this organization for active participation of our members, who will gain not only information on the pre-med process, but also experience in skills that will help them become a doctor. We strive to be a successful, student-led, non-profit organization that engages individuals to promote equal opportunity to medical school through research, outreach, and innovation.	Organization Details Involve	CJ Oderinde	diversifieddoctors@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @diversifieddoctorsucm
EmpwerHER UCM	Welcome to EmpowerHER UCM! We are a non-profit organization chapter focusing on service and advocacy in the Central Valley. We aim to continue that mission and expand into academic advocacy here on campus. We look forward to creating a community on campus that empowers individuals and our community.	Organization Details Involve	Simone Samra	ssamra5@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @empowerher209
First Response	First Response (FR) is dedicated to teaching its members the basics of CPR/First Aid as well as educating and empowering its members on how to respond and react to medical emergencies that arise.	Organization Details Involve	Brandon Mahabir	bmahabir@ucmerced.edu	
Global Med Collective	The Global Med Collective at UC Merced is dedicated to empowering students pursuing careers in healthcare by providing essential resources, mentorship, and community support. Our mission is to increase representation in medicine, reduce health disparities affecting Black and Brown communities, and promote health equity. Through educational workshops, professional development events, and community outreach, we aim to prepare our members for successful careers in medicine and public health. We also foster a strong network of support, ensuring that members can connect, grow, and inspire one another as future leaders in healthcare. Whether through peer mentorship, advocacy initiatives, or collaborations with healthcare professionals, the Global Med Collective Organization is committed to uplifting our community and advancing opportunities for students passionate about making a meaningful difference in the health fields.	Organization Details Involve	Pamela Mbolo	pmbolo@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @globalmedcollective
Healthy Food Association	The Healthy Food Association goal is to provide education on Healthy Food alternatives to students who are on a budget at UC Merced, hold fundraisers to raise funds for the local food pantry in Merced, and create a pathway to volunteer at the local food pantry.	Organization Details Involve	Zen Sharma	zsharma@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @hfa_ucm
Hispanics in Healthcare	At the forefront of the our club is a dynamic and inclusive organization dedicated to fostering a supportive and united community for students with an interest in medicine who identify with Hispanic heritage. Our primary purpose is to create a safe space for students to be able to explore, connect, collaborate, and experience the intricate world of the field of medicine. We understand climbing the ladder towards the field of medicine is a difficult and unfamiliar path for many Hispanics and plan to help guide those individuals interested with clinical, volunteering, and mentorship opportunities as well as connecting them with professionals in the field of medicine. We envision to create a positive change and push students towards achieving their goals and dreams. Through hard work, unifying strength, and a strong community, we strive to help push students towards their passion in medicine.	Organization Details Involve	Zinedine Valdez-delgado	zvaldez-delgado@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: hih_ucm
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)	NAMI on Campus is a student-led organization that focuses on promoting mental health awareness, advocacy, and support within a college or university community. The club typically hosts events, workshops, and activities to educate students about mental health, reduce stigma, and provide peer support. It may also connect members to local mental health resources and create a safe space for discussions about mental well-being.	Organization Details Involve	Elauria Wiggins	ewiggins4@ucmerced.edu	

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Pregnant & Parenting Student Association	<p>Objectives</p> <p>Support: To provide support and resources for pregnant and parenting students at UC Merced.</p> <p>Advocacy: To advocate for policies and practices that address the unique needs of pregnant and parenting students.</p> <p>Community: To create a supportive community where pregnant and parenting students can share experiences and resources.</p> <p>Networking: To facilitate networking and professional development opportunities tailored to pregnant and parenting students.</p> <p>Education: To promote awareness and understanding of the challenges faced by pregnant and parenting students within the academic environment.</p> <p>Liaison: To act as the official liaison between pregnant and parenting students and the university administration, faculty, and staff.</p>	Organization Details Involve	Nicolette Lecy	nlecy@ucmerced.edu	
Program in Medical Education Time	The purpose of PRIME Time for Premeds at the University of California, Merced, is to serve as a pivotal resource for aspiring medical students. Our organization is dedicated to offering mentorship, valuable information, and a supportive community to aid students on their journey toward a career in medicine. With a focus on fostering academic excellence and preparing students for success in postgraduate endeavors, PRIME Time provides a platform through organized meetings, dedicated officers, and a commitment to inclusivity. Our mission is to empower premedical students by offering mentorship, insights into the medical field, and a supportive community to facilitate their path to applying for medical school.	Organization Details Involve	Leena Sanchez	lsanchez88@ucmerced.edu	
Project Lux	Our mission is to promote health equity by connecting individuals experiencing homelessness with essential services. Through health insurance enrollment fairs at shelters and community centers, we facilitate access to programs like Medi-Cal and provide care packages for immediate relief. By engaging student volunteers, we enable them to make a tangible impact in their communities. We envision a world where no one is denied medical care due to financial limitations.	Organization Details Involve	Zen Sharma	zsharma@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @projectluxucm
Public Health Society	An undergraduate student organization that collaborates to expand understanding of public health opportunities. PHS engages in community service, professional development, and hosts events like National Public Health Week	https://publichealth.ucmerced.edu/public-health-society	Email: phs@ucmerced.edu	Email: phs@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: phs_ucm TikTok: phs_ucm
Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science	SACNAS at UC Merced is a national inclusive organization dedicated to fostering the success of Hispanic/Chicanos and Native Americans, from college students to professionals to attain advanced degrees, careers, and positions of leadership in science. We make sure to support and develop the best version of our members. Striving to increase the number of minorities in the STEM field and overall Science Fields.	Organization Details Involve	Alvin Liu	alvinliu@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @UCMSACNAS
Stars of Hope	Stars of Hope is a pediatric based oncology club at UC Merced dedicated to raising awareness about pediatric cancer, supporting young patients and their families, and fostering a community of students passionate about oncology and healthcare. Our mission is to educate, advocate, and engage in service projects that make a meaningful impact on children battling cancer. Through education, outreach, and community service, we aim to inspire the next generation of healthcare professionals to make a difference in the lives of children with cancer. Join us in our efforts to bring hope and support to young cancer patients and their families while advancing knowledge in pediatric oncology.	Organization Details Involve	Alondra Cervantes	acervantes61@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: ucm_starsofhope TikTok: ucm_starsofhope
Tiny Health Tales	<p>Health literacy and public awareness about common health problems are critical for individual and public health. The San Joaquin Valley of California, home to four million people, is a medically underserved region with a severe lack of access to healthcare and resources, contributing to the region's high prevalence of health concerns.</p> <p>In response to individuals' health education challenges in the medically underserved region of the San Joaquin Valley (SJV) in California, our organization hopes to use animated medical education videos as a supplementary learning tool regarding health education.</p>	Organization Details Involve	Misha Gerami	mgerami@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: @tinyhealthtales TikTok: @tinyhealthtales_ YouTube: @TinyHealthTales Website: https://project-tht.web.app/Home
VIDA Volunteer Organization	VIDA Volunteer is an organization that gives students the opportunity to gain medical clinical hours by hosting trips to regions without sufficient access to health care. Students work with doctors to learn how to diagnose, take vitals, diagnose, and create treatment plans. At the end of the trip, students are rewarded with a certificate and letter from the organization stating the number of hours worked in the clinics. https://www.vidavolunteer.org is the official website for the organization. By joining VIDA Volunteer at UC Merced, students can join in on several sub-projects hosted by the club. Some projects include spreading awareness on campus of preventable diseases. MCAT study sessions are additionally hosted for pre-med students.	Organization Details Involve	Vanessa Arredondo	varredondo5@ucmerced.edu	Instagram: ucmvidavolunteer