An overview of:

- UC Merced's upcoming planned facility
- Design
- Amenities
- Construction Schedule
The Downtown Campus Center is a strategic effort to consolidate UC Merced’s business functions in a single location, to strengthen downtown’s economy and to focus space on the existing campus for teaching and research.

The Downtown Opportunity

As UC Merced has rapidly grown, many of our critical administrative functions have been assigned to leased spaces throughout our community. This often results in inefficient office layouts, lost time driving between locations for meetings, and an inability to grow our departments in a logical coherent way.

The Downtown Campus Center offers UC Merced a unique opportunity to bring more than 40 non-academic departments together in a cost-efficient way, reduce leasing costs and improve our ability to collaborate.

Scheduled to open in Summer 2017, the multi-purpose building is also part of a long-term strategy to integrate UC Merced’s teaching, research and public service resources into the fabric of Merced.

By establishing a substantial presence in downtown, the University can continue to foster and create partnerships with the community.

What to expect at the Downtown Campus Center

- 3-story, 67,400 gross square foot building owned by UC Merced
- Energy efficient, LEED Gold design
- Modern, daylit environment that combines assigned collaborative space, private group working spaces and 70 private offices
- Up-to-date information technology, reservable conference rooms and amenities
- Multipurpose groundfloor classroom space
- Capacity for 370 people
- Organized, phased transition from Promenade, Mondo, Castle and the Venture Lab between Summer 2017-2021

Opens in Summer 2017

The Downtown Campus Center is designed to bring UC Merced’s critical administrative staff together while also helping to reinvigorate our community.

http://bfsi.ucmerced.edu
Current Details

Phased move-in between Summer 2017 and 2021
Move-in for individual departments will occur over time after the building opens in Summer 2017. To the extent possible, moves will be coordinated to occur at times that have the least impact on operations. Forty administrative departments are being considered for phased relocation, however the schedule has not yet been determined.

A variety of collaborative and quiet work environments
Each working area in the Downtown Campus Center will feature a variety of options for UC Merced’s staff. Private spaces for group work, state-of-the-art conference areas and focus spaces will provide privacy, confidentiality and the ability to work uninterrupted. Spaces will be assigned and reservable. Seventy private offices are included in the building design.

As a modern work environment, the building will also feature open cafe, reception and communal seating areas reminiscent of the Lantern in Kolligian Library that will provide opportunities for collaboration, group gatherings and staff engagement.

Staying informed
While campus leadership identified potential departments for relocation to the Downtown Campus Center, as the project evolves, you are encouraged to check with your supervisor or director to get the latest details.

Information will also be posted at http://bfsi.ucmerced.edu.

What’s next

As planning continues on the Downtown Campus Center, the Project Team is working on refining strategies for:

- CatTracks Transit Frequency
- Vehicle and Bicycle Parking Options
- Phased Departmental Transition Schedule
- Safety Patrols by the UC Police Department
- Furniture Design
- Specific Workspace Arrangements

Building Details

Architect: Heller Manus Architects, San Francisco

Size: 67,400 GSF, 3 stories tall

Construction Cost: $45 million

Sustainability: LEED Gold, Solar-ready roof

A modern, open-air, and daylit work environment

Located across from Merced Civic Center
PROJECT SCHEDULE

Groundbreaking
Spring 2016

Completion
Fall 2017

First Phase Move-In
Summer 2017
The departments to be included in the First Phase Move-in are still being determined.

Second Phase Move-In
Summer 2018
The departments to be included in the Second Phase Move-in are still being determined.

Third Phase Move-In
Summer 2019
The departments to be included in the Third Phase Move-in are still being determined.

Full Occupation
Summer 2021

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