

Office of the President

TO MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS:

DISCUSSION ITEM

For Meeting of September 19, 2024

STUDENT ATHLETE PERSPECTIVES: UC MERCED

BACKGROUND

The Special Committee on Athletics will hear from student-athletes from UC Merced who will share their educational and athletic experiences at the University of California.



Myles Haynes

Myles Haynes is a senior student-athlete from Sacramento, California and member of the men's basketball team at UC Merced. During his time at UC Merced, Haynes has had the opportunity to intern for the Export-Import Bank of the United States, serve as team captain, and work toward starting a non-profit organization called Human Help Project that helps to feed and provide resources for the less fortunate in Merced.

Myles works on campus, has assisted with live-stream production of UC Merced games, represented UC Merced at the 2024 Black Student-Athlete Summit, and will graduate in Spring 2025 with a bachelor's degree in Management and Business Economics.

For more about Myles, click [here](#).



Jacqueline Azevedo

Jacqueline Azevedo is a senior student-athlete from Hilmar, California and a member of the women's water polo team at UC Merced. A Management and Business Economics major with a Sociology minor, Azevedo leads the Bobcats out of the pool with a GPA of 3.569. Azevedo, who is also Senator-At-Large for the Associated Students of UC Merced, has volunteered with UC Merced's Community Engagement Center on many initiatives such as Bobcats Give Back, Lake Clean Up, Yosemite Face Lift, and Helping Hands in the Merced community.

Jacqueline earned the First Team Arthur Ashe Jr. Sport Scholar in 2024. She serves as a resident assistant and held an internship this summer at the Fund for American

Studies-Advocacy Associates in Washington, D.C.

For more about Jacqueline, click [here](#).