

# UC MERCED SUPPLIER SHOWCASE

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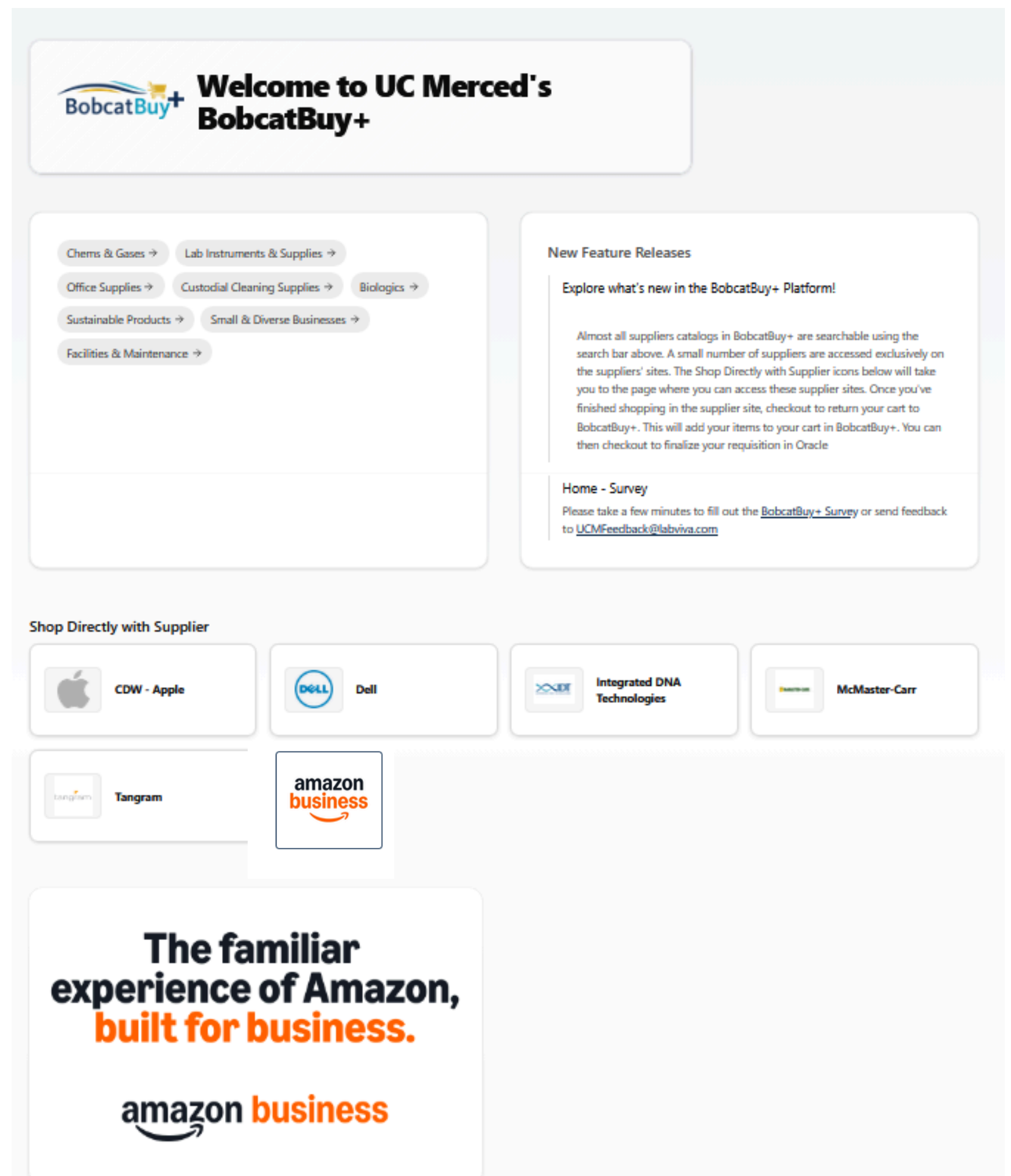
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026

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## EVENT GUIDE



**T**ogether, we've made BobcatBuy+ stronger than ever. Over the past year, more than 120 new requisitioners joined our growing community, 20+ suppliers expanded our marketplace, and Amazon Business became available within the platform. As we continue to enhance choice, efficiency, and accessibility, BobcatBuy+ remains your trusted one-stop shop for everyday purchases.



As our campus grows in size, impact, and ambition, Procurement helps pave the way forward. Through strategic sourcing initiatives, support for campus development projects, and close partnerships with requisitioners across the university, we create a procurement experience that feels efficient, accessible, and responsive to evolving needs.

Together, we strengthen our commitment to sustainable purchasing, expand opportunities for small and local businesses, and create lasting value for our campus community. BobcatBuy+ and Self-Service Procurement simplify purchasing, reduce administrative load, and connect users with the resources they need to succeed.

By streamlining processes, leveraging our collective buying power, and fostering trusted supplier partnerships, we help the university focus on what matters most. With your continued support, BobcatBuy+ serves as a key driver in advancing our shared mission of teaching, research, and public service.



## **WELCOME FROM UC MERCED CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER**

Greetings Faculty, Staff, and Valued Suppliers,

On behalf of the University of California, Merced, welcome to the UC Merced Supplier Showcase. We look forward to meeting you, and we appreciate the time and effort you have invested in exploring a partnership with our campus.

Thank you for your continued support of our systemwide contracted suppliers in BobcatBuy+ and our UC Merced suppliers through the Oracle purchasing platform. Your commitment to using these resources helps us maintain quality, reduce costs, and improve efficiency, while strengthening our collective buying power across the UC system.

UC Merced is growing rapidly. We have achieved R1 University status, joined NCAA Division II, and are preparing to open the Medical Education Building, Promised Housing, and new Classroom and Administration buildings in 2026-2027. These milestones reflect our dedication to research, innovation, and meaningful impact, locally, nationally, and globally.

Today's Supplier Showcase is a chance to meet our procurement team and campus departments, learn how UC Merced buys, and share what your business offers. We are also launching initiatives to make procurement more collaborative and efficient. By streamlining how we work together, we can better support the university's mission and empower everyone to do their best work.

Our procurement practices reflect UC Merced's values. The Oracle platform features small and diverse businesses and sustainable product options, helping us stay true to our commitment to environmental stewardship and community engagement. As a campus deeply rooted in the San Joaquin Valley, we honor its culture, history, and natural beauty.

We appreciate your support and encourage you to send your buying staff, faculty, and researchers to meet the suppliers and attend our workshops on "All About Amazon Business" and "Requisitioning Beyond the Basics". Workshops are scheduled 11:30 am - 12 noon and 12:30 to 1 pm. Come explore and have some fun meeting our staff.

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# **WELCOME FROM UC MERCED DEPUTY CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER**

As Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, I am pleased to welcome you to the Supply Chain Center of Excellence Supplier Showcase.

Today's event will give you the opportunity for our campus community to meet some of our suppliers who have contributed to our growth in achieving R1 status, joining the NCAA Division 2 for athletics, and being ranked the 30<sup>th</sup> best public university in the nation by U.S. News & World Report's 2027 Best Colleges list.

This collection of suppliers who provide some of the most essential goods and services to our campus have contributed to our groundbreaking success as we prepare for the 2027 openings of our new Promise Housing, Medical Education and Classroom and Administrations Buildings.

Today is a wonderful opportunity to learn how many of these suppliers have been embracing new technologies and integrating AI technology to support our growing campus as it recently celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

I would like to personally thank all of the staff and faculty who made today's Supplier Showcase a success.

*Theresa Oline*



## **WELCOME FROM UC MERCED PROCURE TO PAY MANAGER & P-CARD ADMINISTRATOR**

Hello UC Merced Faculty, and Staff,

Welcome to the Supply Chain Center of Excellence Supplier Showcase! We're glad you're here to meet our suppliers, catch up on what's new in procurement, and connect with the people who help keep our campus running.

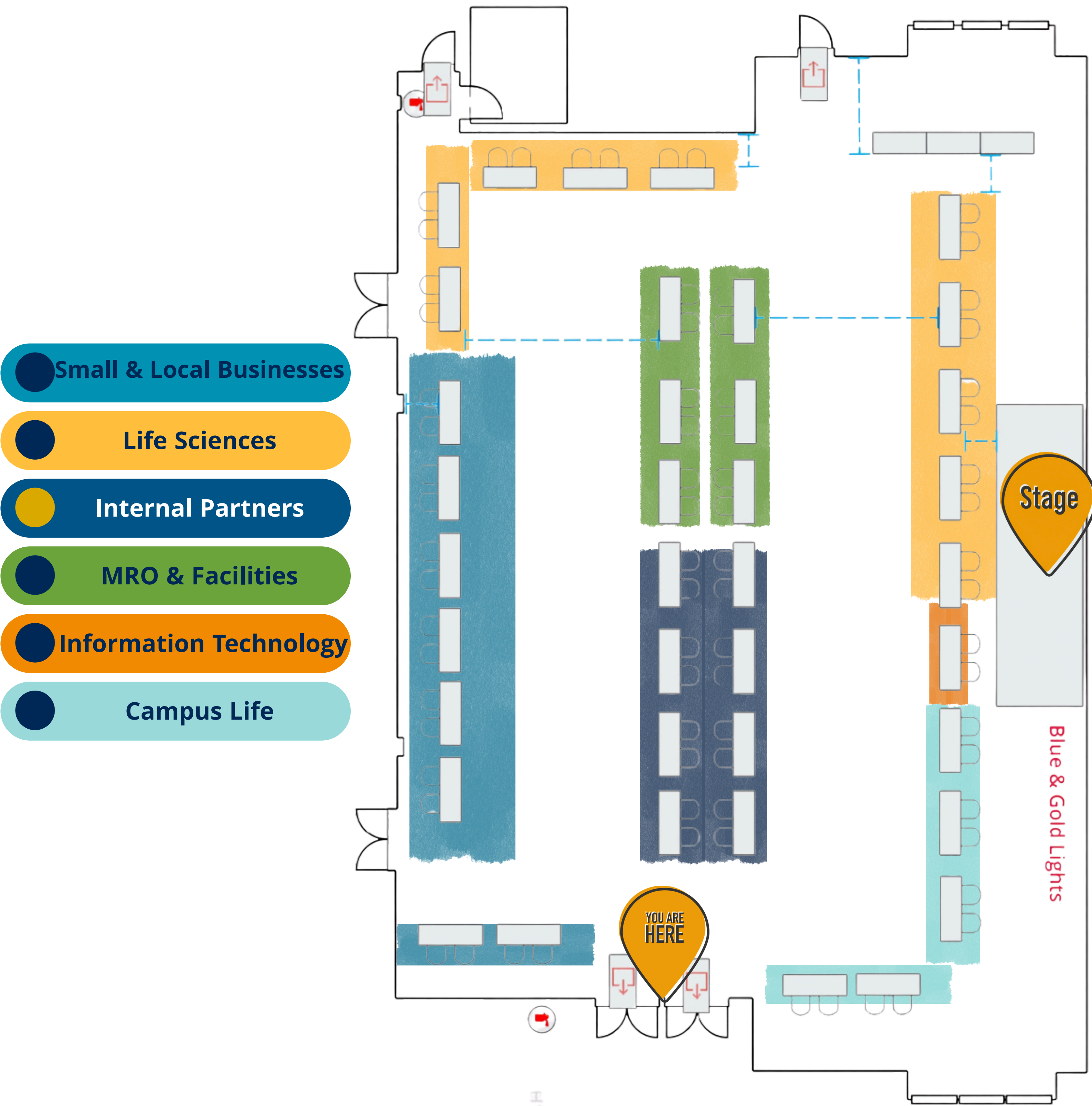
A lot has happened over the past year. Our Customer Assistance and Requisitioning Team (CART) is now one unified team, so you have a single place to go for help with your purchasing needs. We've also rolled out Oracle system upgrades and clearer guidance on paying with a P-Card. All of it has the same goal: making it easier for you to get what you need, when you need it.

Today's Showcase is a chance to talk with supplier's face to face, ask our team questions, and find tools and resources you may not know about yet. Take your time, explore, and bring back ideas that make your day-to-day work a little easier.

Thank you for joining us. We're excited to keep growing and innovating with you!

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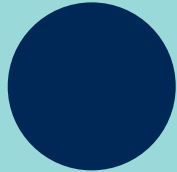
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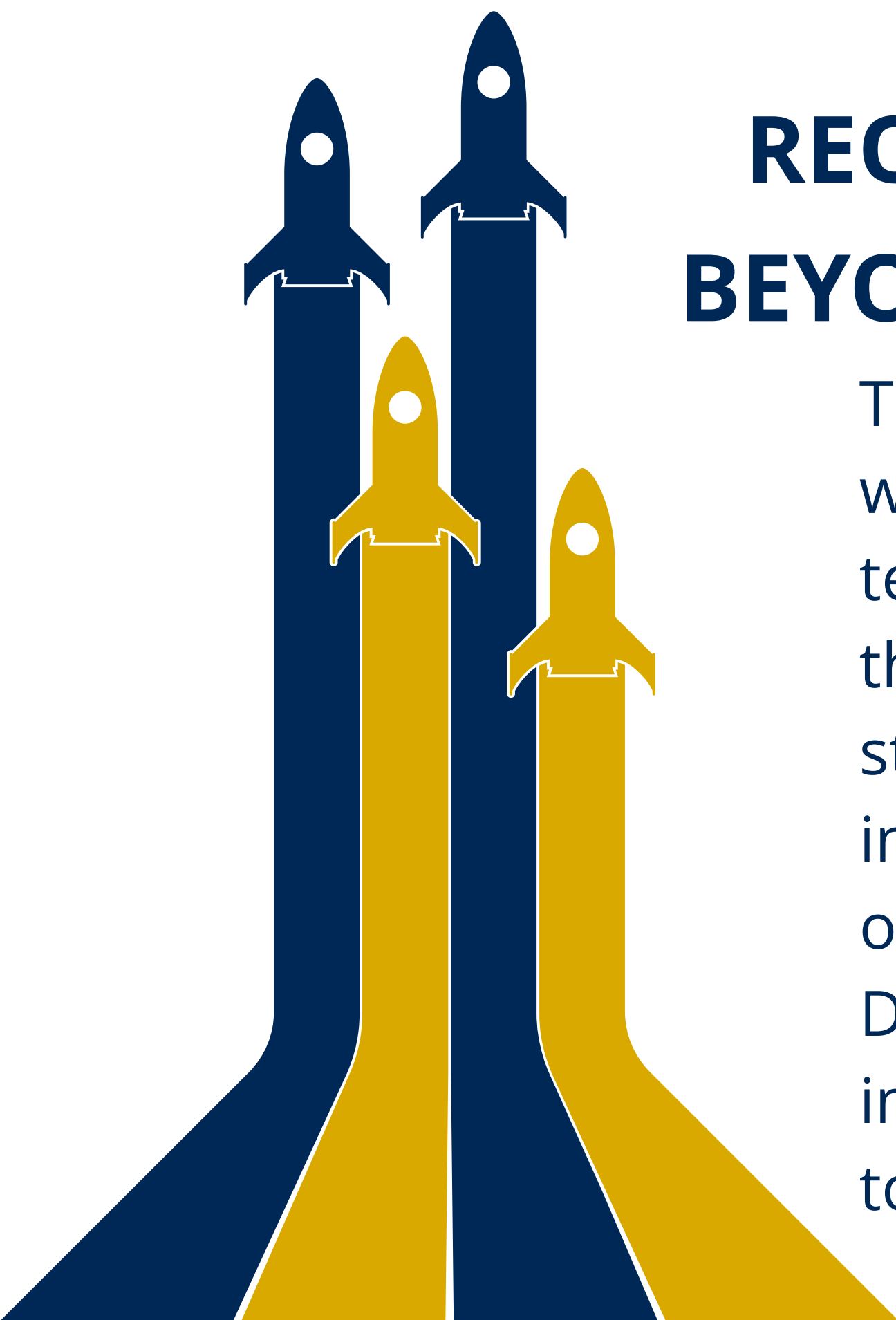
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# BREAKOUT SESSIONS



See how Amazon Business is enhancing the purchasing experience at our University. This session will highlight the new BobcatBuy+ migration, demonstrate key Amazon Business features and Business Prime benefits, and provide guidance on transitioning to the University Business account. Our Amazon representative will be available to answer questions and assist users converting personal accounts to Business.



## REQUISITIONING BEYOND THE BASICS



Take your requisitioning skills to the next level with an advanced session led by our Purchasing team. Designed for experienced requisitioners, this showcase will highlight time-saving strategies and lesser-known system capabilities, including favorites management, funding splits, order tracking, and supplier product requests. Discover practical ways to increase efficiency, improve accuracy, and get more value from the tools you use every day.

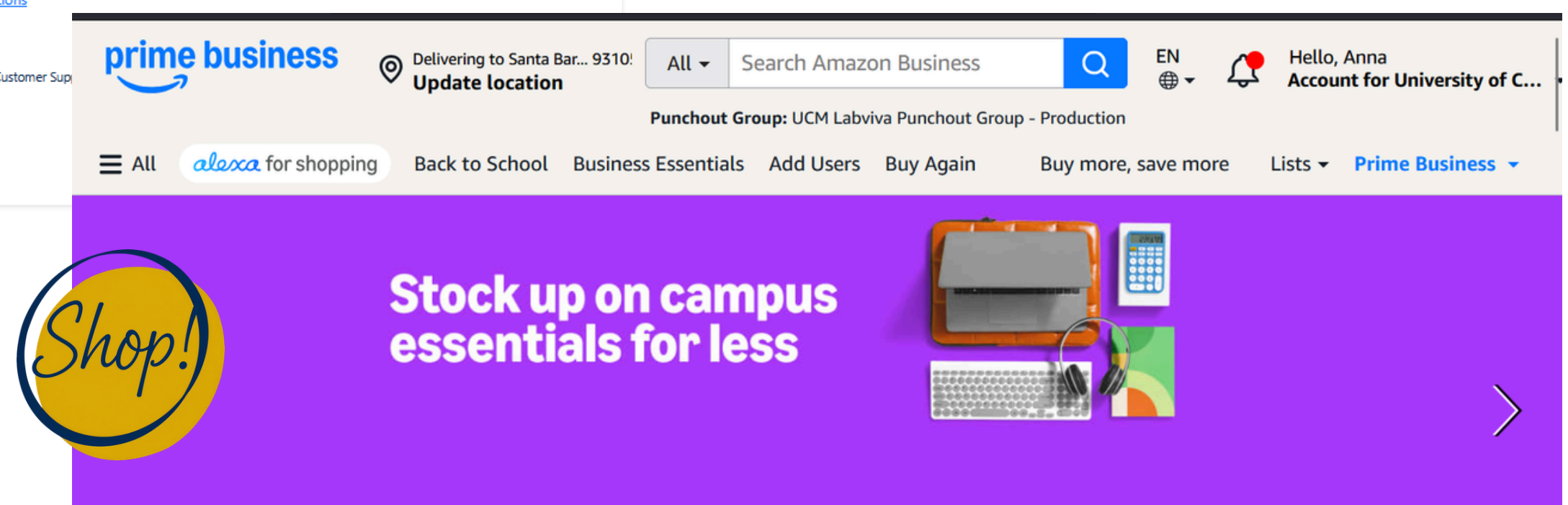
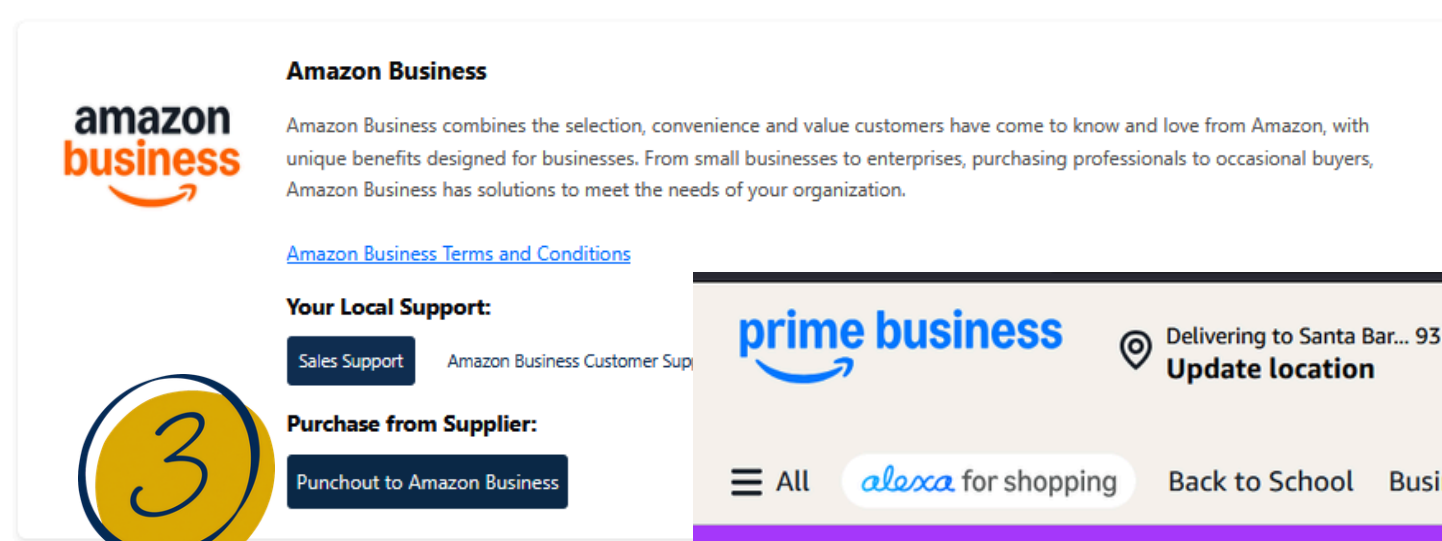
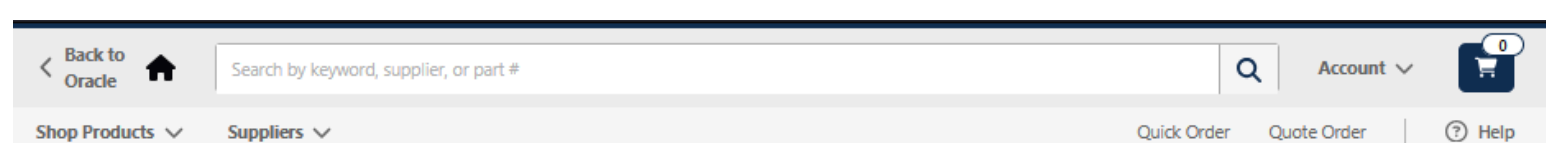
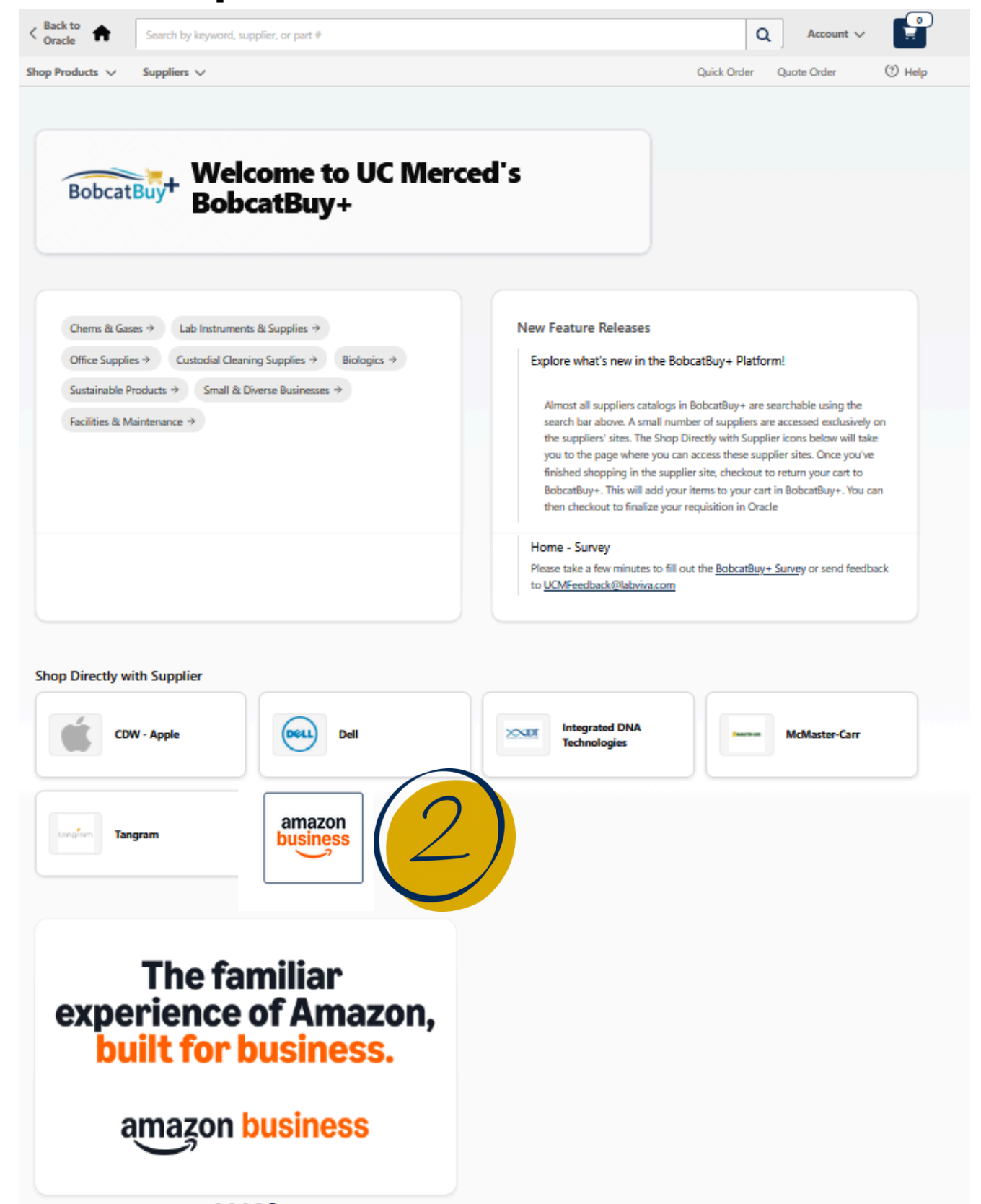
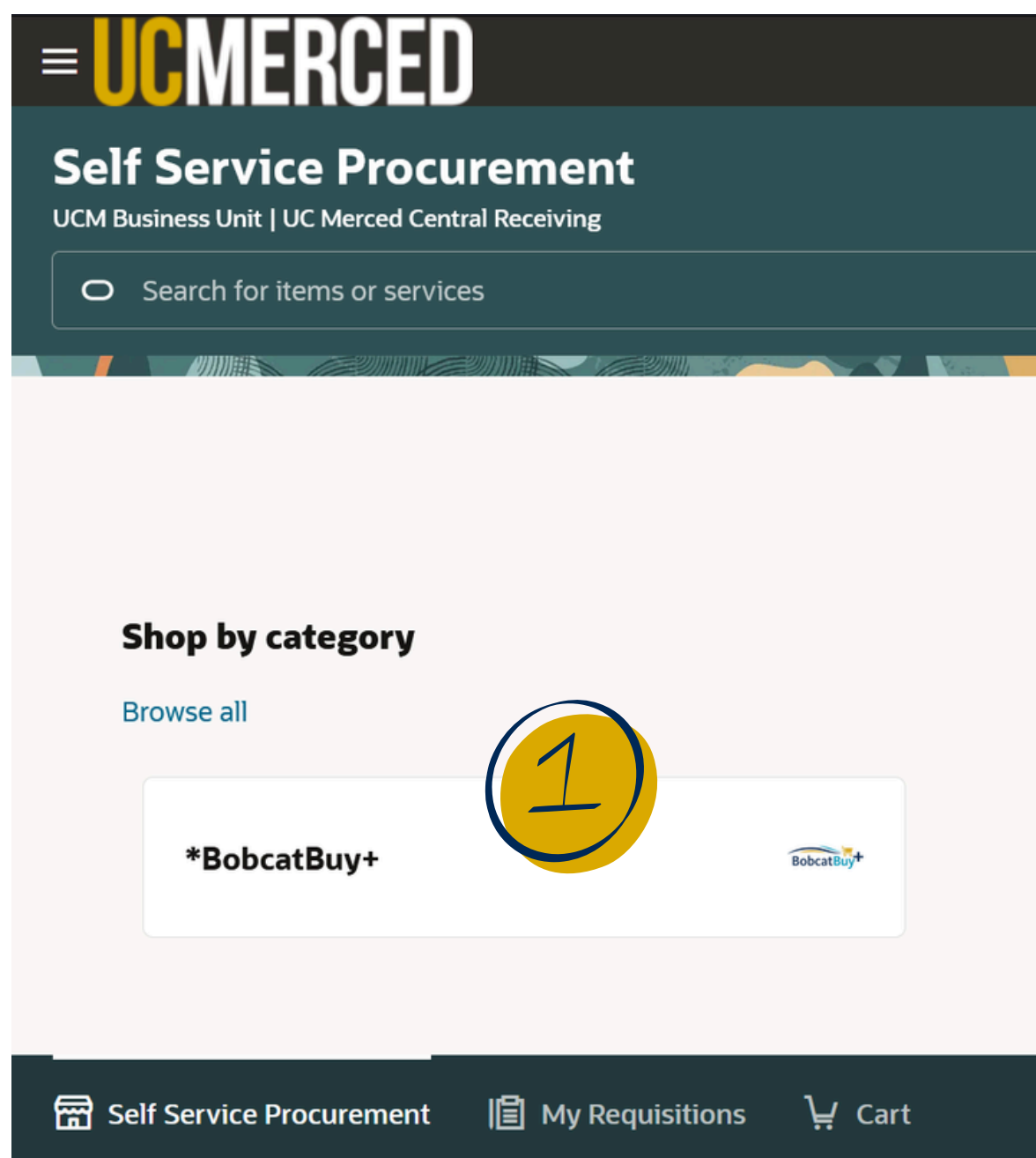
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## UC Small Business First



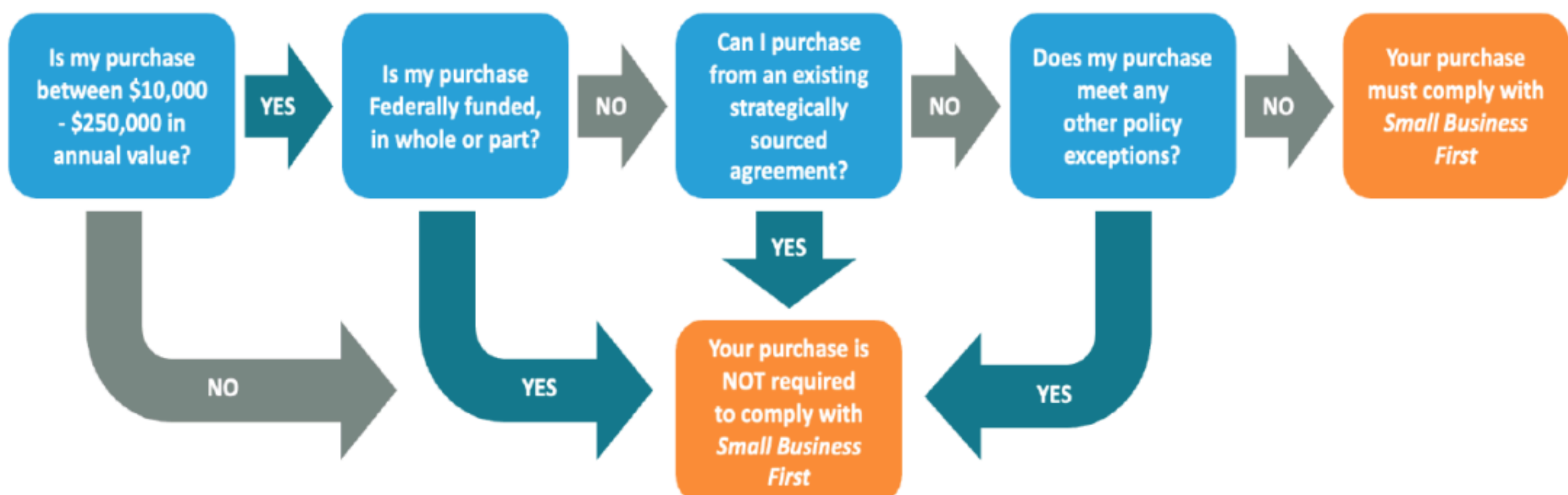
*Our campus consistently ranks second in the UC System for meeting and exceeding our 25% spend goal. Currently we have 20.4% spend with ECI partners, and see peak spending up to 33%! Keep up the thoughtful and intentional purchasing!*



The UC Sustainable Practices Policy establishes an annual goal of awarding 25% Economic and Community Impact (ECI) spend to small, disabled veteran and local and community oriented businesses.

Overall benefits of the Small Business First program include: ease of implementation as UC can use the State of California eProcure system to identify certified SBs and DVBES, cost reduction and time savings for purchases valued between \$100,000 – \$250,000 through the informal bid process, and support of the University's ECI spend sustainability goals.

The program is consistent with California Public Contract Code Section 10508.5, which allows the University to award purchase agreements valued up to \$250,000 to a certified small business or disabled veteran-owned business without being competitively bid, so long as the UC obtains price quotations from two or more certified businesses.

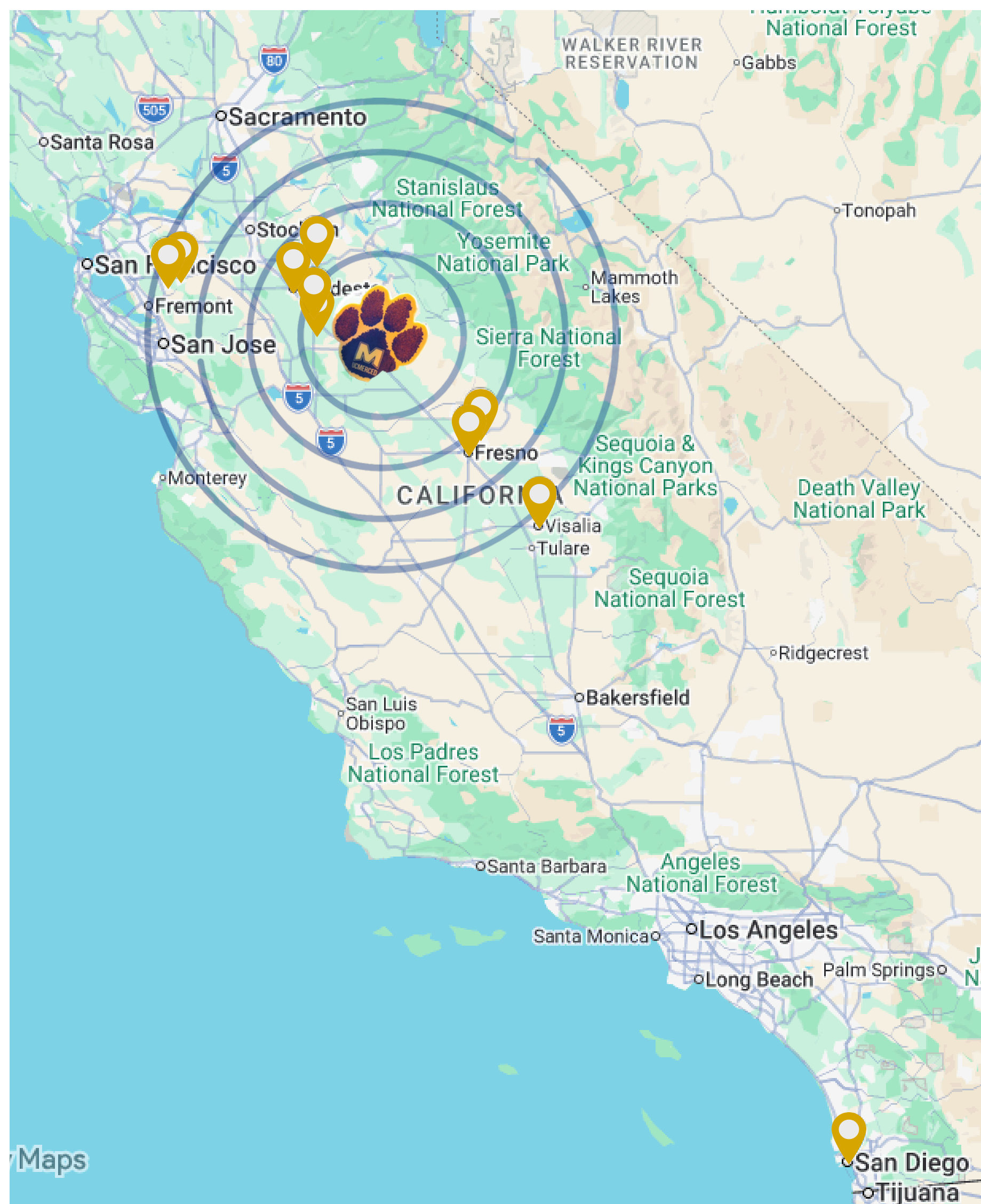


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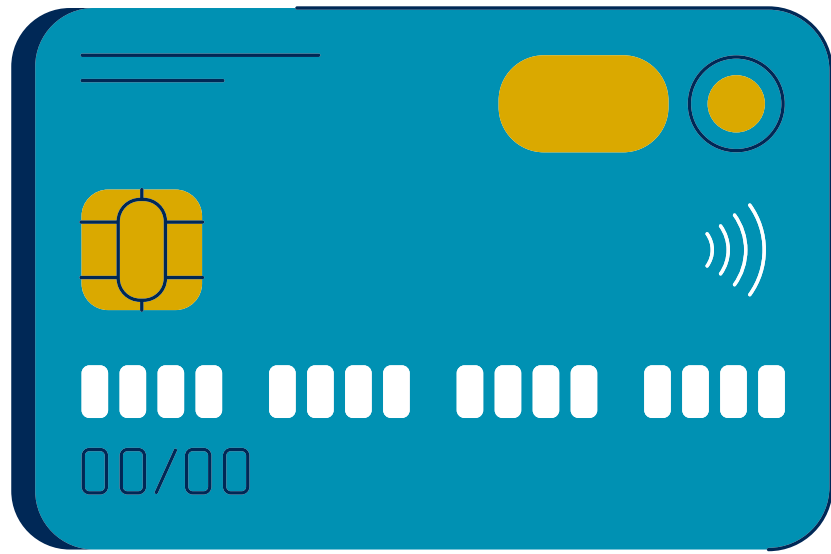
## UC Economic & Community Impact

In the past year, 37% of newly added suppliers within are located within 100 miles of Merced, and 56% of all our suppliers are located within California. Our campus deeply understands the responsibility we have to be thoughtful stewards of public funds. By keeping our spending in-state, we support small and local businesses who keep those funds within the immediate community.

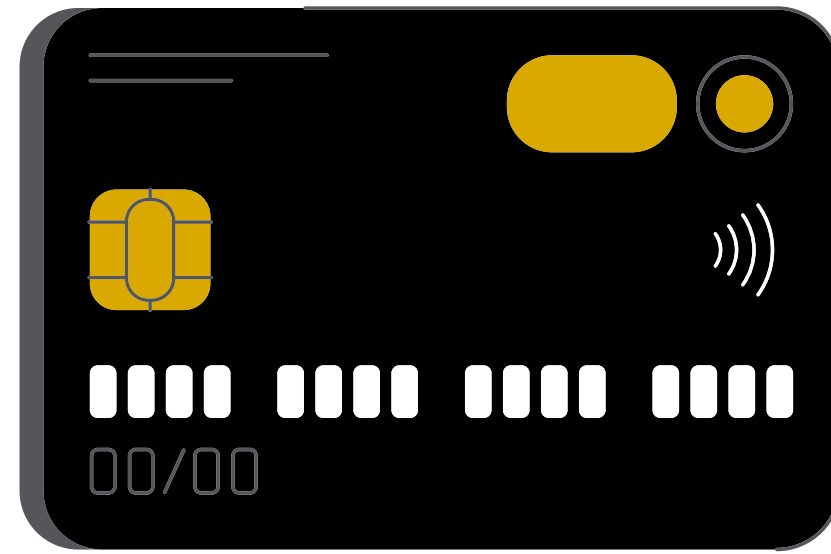
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*Travel & Entertainment*

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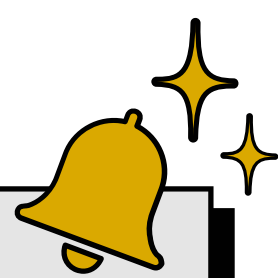
## When should you use a T&E card versus a P-Card?

You can use your **T&E card** to pay for purchases related to University approved travel, including but not limited to:

- Travel (lodging, airfare, vehicle rentals)
- Entertainment (food purchases)
- Conference Registration fees (card holder registration only)

You can use your **P-Card** for most goods under \$9,999, including but not limited to:

- Books and subscriptions
- Computer supplies and peripherals
- Electrical supplies
- Lab supplies
- Membership fees, online training, and professional dues
- Conference registrations (register on behalf of others)
- Office supplies
- Publications
- Non-inventorial equipment valued under \$5,000



Need a limit increase? Follow the instructions on our P-Card website to increase your spending limit up to \$9,999

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## UC Sustainable Procurement

The UC Sustainable Practices Policy establishes an annual baseline goal of spending 25% on sustainable goods in four key categories; Cleaning Supplies, Electronics, Office Supplies, and Furniture.

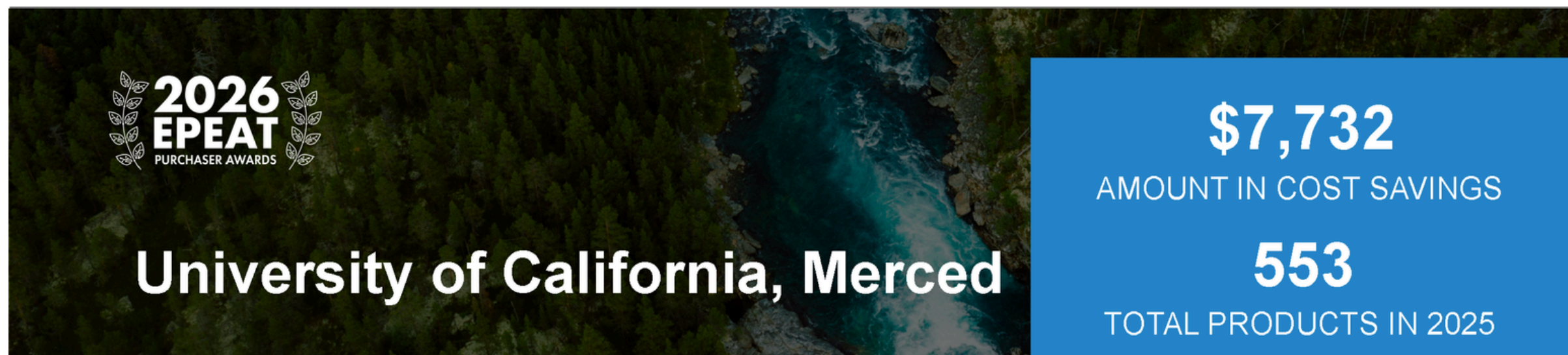
UC Merced Procurement works hard to ensure the right choice for the planet and our budgets is the easy choice. We regularly review available certifications acceptable by the policy and update our purchasing rules in the system accordingly. This allows us to ensure compliance with policy.



For the first time, UC Merced achieved and received the 2026 EPEAT Purchaser Award for Sustainable IT Procurement, along with UC Santa Barbara and UC San Diego Health. A culmination and meaningful recognition of intentional purchases, our campus truly embeds sustainability into everyday purchasing decisions. This achievement reflects the strong partnership between Procurement, Sustainability, and our supplier community in making responsible electronics purchasing both attainable and impactful. As a campus founded on innovation and sustainability, we are proud to contribute to a more sustainable electronics marketplace and to join our fellow UC award recipients in advancing the University's sustainability commitments

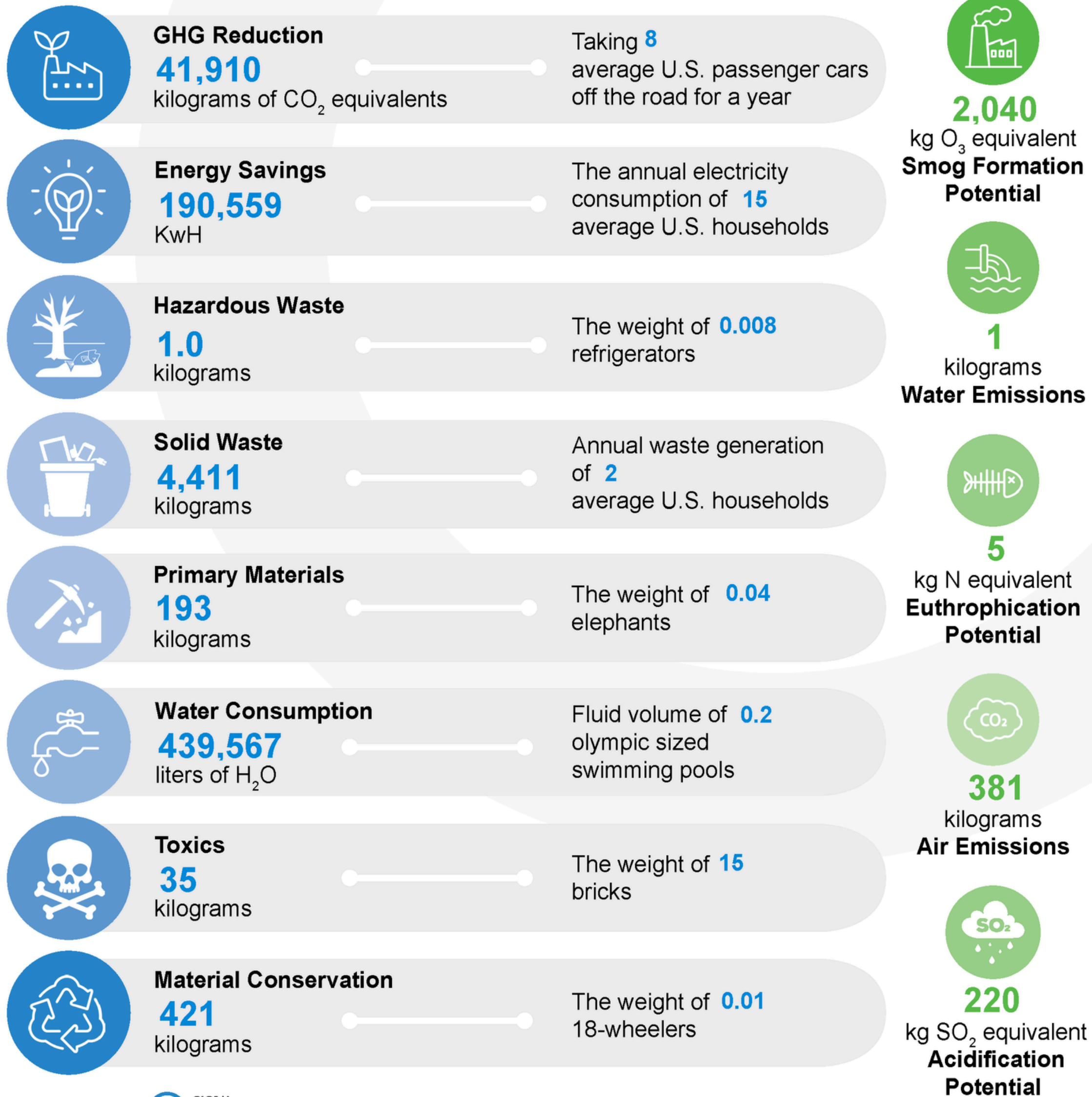
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## UC Sustainable Procurement



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