

STUDENT EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK

April 13-17, 2026

DEPARTMENT DECORATING CONTEST

CONTEST GUIDELINES

1. Decorate a Department, Office or Student Employee work space
2. Submit Entry Form by 5pm on Thursday April 9, 2026
3. Judging will Take Place on Thursday, April 16, 2026
4. Keep Decorations Up From April 13-18, 2026
5. Winners will be selected in **3 Judging Categories:**
 - development of a departmental theme
 - overall message of appreciation for student employees
 - creativity and visual appeal
6. Decorations **must include:**
 - name of your department AND UC Merced branded logo (photos will be taken & displayed on website/social media)
 - name and/or picture of your student employees
 - theme relating to your student employee(s)
 - expression of appreciation for contributions of your student employees
7. Be creative and have fun but decorations **should not:**
 - create any potential safety hazard-keep it safe
 - disrupt employees or students
 - obstruct access to entrances or exits of areas
 - damage doors, walls or other permanent objects.

3 PRIZES

\$150 each towards refreshments for Student Employee Celebration ordered through Campus Catering

CONTEST ENTRY FORM

https://ucmerced.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ey9s03RCOD3P9WK

