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SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



Read all about it!!! Check your email! Our second newsletter is out!

If you didn't get it, don't miss out -Join the APIDA Center contact list: https://bit.ly/SDSUAPIDA



Location:

2nd floor of Aztec Student Union Rooms #210A-K (Directly above Starbucks)

Connect with us!

Friday 10am-4:30pm

Hours:

Mon-Thurs 10am-8pm

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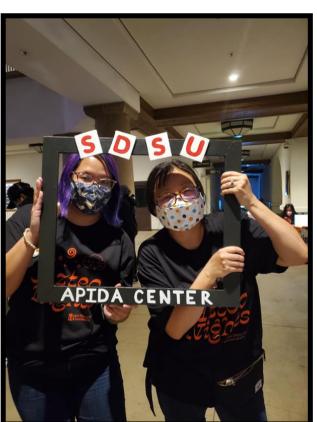
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Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan



Strong Start!

We are off to a great start! It's been an exciting couple of weeks at the APIDA Center. We absolutely love seeing students here - Students have come to hang out, to study, to dance, to sleep, to say hello, to get advising, etc. After spending a year with many of y'all on zoom, it's really cool to see you in person! (Truth: I'm really excited about being able to post "real" pictures instead of zoom gallery pictures.) Come through! We are here!

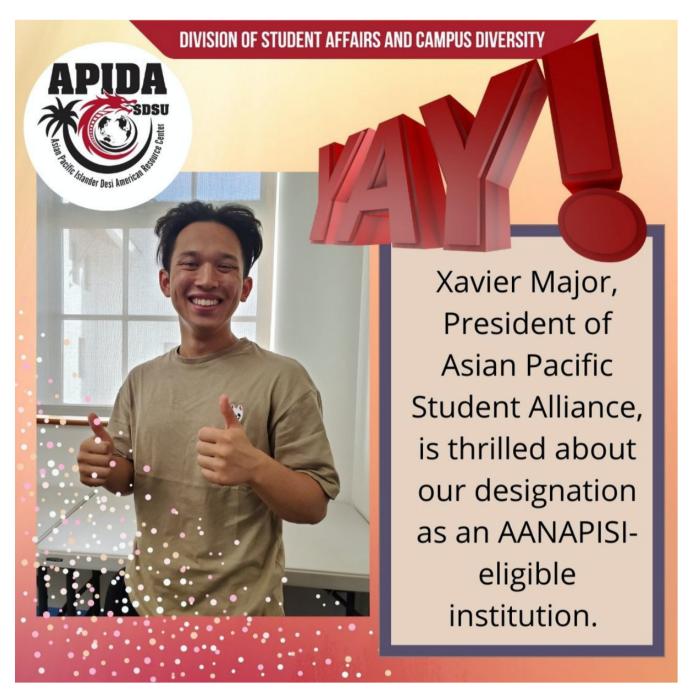
We also launched our first newsletter - thanks to Kathleen Dang, our Program Coordinator; If you missed the first issue, check it out on Instagram. Speaking of Instagram, we hit over 1000+ followers this week! Woohoo! (I had posted our first post on July 17, 2020.) Help us get to 2000+ followers by the end of this academic year! If you

are not following us, please stop reading right now and follow us <a>@sdsuapidacenter. Seriously. Follow us now! :)

And, lastly, many many thanks to Aztec Nights and Commuter Life (especially Tony Roulhac and Helen Ma) for hosting the midnight movie screening of "Raya and the Last Dragon." We thoroughly enjoyed partnering with them and are grateful to all the APIDA student organizations who showed up to table alongside us: AB Samahan, Allies for Education, Asian Pacific Student Alliance, Chinese Students and Scholars Association, Math Science Teacher
Initiative, Nikkei Student Union, Pacific Islander Student Association, Taiwanese Student Association, and Wietnamese Student Association, In addition, we shared a Special video featuring the APIDA Center, KASA Ignite, APSA Dance, VerSace Duo of APSA, VSA Modern, and a special audition tape. Special video featuring the APIDA Center, KASA Ignite, APSA Dance, VSA Modern, and a special audition tape. Special video featuring the APIDA Center, KASA Ignite, APSA Dance, VSA Modern, and a special audition tape. Taiwanese Students <a href="Tai

Can't wait for more adventures!

APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



We are an AANAPISI-eligible institution!

San Diego State University is proud to announce that we're an Asian American Native American Pacific Islander - Serving Institution (AANAPISI). This is an important federal designation that allows us to apply for federal funding and connects us to a larger AANAPISI network. Read more about it here! Dr. Loh-Hagan helped lead our AANAPISI efforts; in addition, she would like to thank the following SDSU community members for their support: Dustin Atkins, Dr. Janet Bowers, Dr. Joanna Brooks, Jessica Chang, Dr. John Crockett, President Adela de la Torre, Paul De Soto, Dr. La Monica Everett-Haynes, Alma Flores, Chanin Harrison, Dr. Brian Hu, Dr. Jennifer Imazeki, Elzbeth Islas, Dr. Michael Juan, Dr. Minjeong Kim, Kathleen King, Tam Lieu, Daniella Luistro, Jessica Nare, Dr. Giang Pham, Dr. Koko Nishi, Provost Salvador Hector Ochoa, Dr. Rafaela Santa Cruz, Brittany Santos-Derieg, Dr. Sam Shen, Tina Tan, Dr. William G. Tong, Cynthia Torres, Dr. Nellie Tran, Dr. Emilio Ulloa, Dr. Sandra Wawrytko, and Vice President J. Luke Wood.



APIDA Center launches first APIDA university seminar!

This fall semester, the APIDA Center launched A-LIST, which stands for APIDA Leadership, Identity, Scholarship, and Together. This is a program designed to support first year students. The APIDA Center is hosting an A-LIST residential learning community and an A-LIST university seminar. The A-LIST learning community is for students who have an interest in APIDA (Asian Pacific Islander Desi American) culture, history and activism. In order to dismantle the Model Minority Myth and reclaim what it means to achieve, this learning community will focus on APIDA Leadership, Identity, Scholarship and Togetherness (A-LIST). Thanks to these <u>APIDA ERG</u> members who helped create care packages for A-LIST USEM students: Kathleen Dang, Arlene Elane, Tam Lieu, Dr. Virginia Loh-Hagan, Michelle Lopez, Claudia Martinez, Dr. Koko Nishi, and VP Agnes Wong Nickerson.

APIDA Flex Alerts

- Aerospace engineers, <u>Dr. Xiaofeng Liu</u> and **Jose Moreto**, built the State-of-the-Art Water Tunnel, which allows the university to perform cutting-edge research on turbulence flow. Check out this <u>article and video</u> to learn more.
- <u>Linda Salem</u>, Education Librarian and Interim Head of Collections Management at SDSU Library, published the article <u>"How Diverse is the Academic Library Children's Picture Book Collection?</u>
 <u>Using Diverse Bookfinder's Content Analysis, Demographic Data, and Historical Bibliographies to Analyze a Picture Book Collection</u> which makes a finding about Filipino representation in children's picture books.
- Dr. <u>Bongsik Shin</u> started his service as the Management Information Systems (MIS) department chair this August 2021.
- Chemistry professor, Dr. <u>Yong Yan</u>, has developed a new process to produce the critical chemical bonds necessary to make pharmaceuticals. Read more about it <u>here!</u>

We want to celebrate you!

Do you or someone you know from the SDSU APIDA community have a flex to share? Email us at apida@sdsu.edu.

Upcoming Events



APIDA x CIE JEDI Discussion Circle

Honoring Hispanic Heritage Month Thursday, September 30 3 PM to 4 PM

Zoom: bit.ly/SeptAPIDAxCIE

The materials for September focus on learning more about our Hispanic / Chicanx / Latinx communities:

- Hispanic vs. Latino vs. Latinx: A Brief
 History of How These Words Originated
- How to Tame a Wild Tongue
- <u>Dear Latinx, Let's Check Our</u>
 <u>Privilege</u> (video)
- Afro-Latinx Experts Talk About Racism
 Within Our Community (video)



Mid-Autumn Moon Festival Moonlight Party

Celebrating the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival!

Tuesday, September 21

Meet @ APIDA Center at 8 PM

Make popsicle stick lanterns and celebrate the Moon
Festival with us! Art supplies & blankets provided.

Opportunities

- SDSU Career Services is inviting students, faculty, staff, and community members to participate in this year's SDSU Social Justice Summit with the theme "Bridging Belonging, Career and Calling for Change." Submit your proposal for a workshop or panel discussion here!
- Dr. Erin Riley (Professor, Anthropology) is recruiting students to participate in her project titled "Whose woods are these?: Human-wildlife conflict and biodiversity conservation in Sulawesi, Indonesia." She has been awarded a Student-Faculty Fellowship grant from ASIANetwork which will provide three (3) SDSU undergraduate students a funded opportunity to gain practical knowledge of this contemporary issue via an immersive field experience in Indonesia alongside Dr. Riley and her local partners. Attend the Friday, September 17th info session and learn more about it here!
- APIDA Student Organizations: Don't forget to apply for office space at the APIDA Center. The <u>application</u> is due by noon on Monday, September 13th.
- Give to the APIDA Center and help support our programs directly! Your donation, big or small, makes a huge difference for our center! http://philanthropy.sdsu.edu/APIDA

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