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SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



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Check your email! Newsletter #4 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)

Hours:

Mon-Thurs 10am-8pm

Friday 10am-4:30pm

Connect with us!



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Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan



Harvest good times!

Mooncakes, lanterns, and a full moon - Oh my! Tuesday, September 21 was Moon Festival or Mid-Autumn Harvest Festival or Chuseok. The APIDA Center hosted a super fun crafting party under the full moon. (In this week's photo, Malia drew a picture of me as part of our moon party festivities.) We made popsicle stick lanterns and rejoiced in community. The best part was the opportunity to get to know each other - This aligns with one of the main highlights of the Moon Festival which is reuniting as a family and hanging out in community. The past several weeks has really demonstrated the power and joy of being together. It has been so nice to learn together, laugh together, craft together, and be together. As we look forward to an amazing, fun-filled fall semester of programming, I encourage you to gather with us; let's harvest good memories and good times. Celebrate APIDA joy!

APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



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APIDA Center celebrates Filipinx American History Month (FAHM) in October!

This week, we shared our Filipinx American History Month (FAHM) programming. Save all the dates and join us!!! See our [instagram](#), [calendar](#), and/or this [folder](#) for more info about our events. We are excited to present an entire month of online and in-person events celebrating Filipino American history and heritages. Our 2021 theme is "Know Our History, Know Ourselves." We are excited to partner with and/or promote [AB Samahan](#), [Asian Pacific Student Alliance](#), [Center for Asian and Pacific Studies](#), [Language Acquisition Resource Center](#), [Center for Inclusive Excellence](#), [One SDSU](#), and the [San Diego Asian Film Festival](#). Also, make sure to check out events offered by the [APIDA Employee Resource Group](#) and [Bayanihan Employee Resource Group](#).

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ORANGE SHIRT DAY

September 30th

PLEASE HELP US BRING AWARENESS!

1. Wear Orange
2. Hold a sign with: "Every Child Matters"
3. Tag the NRC in your posts and adding the hashtag #EveryChildMatters



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Orange Shirt Day is on September 30th

September 30th marks Orange Shirt Day. This is the day that we bring awareness to the forced assimilation efforts done onto Native People as recently as the 1990s. Here in the U.S., children were taken, their hair was cut, they were forced to speak English, they were "gifted" religion as a means to "civilize," and some never made it home. This year, groups across Canada and the U.S. have been uncovering unmarked graves of children buried at boarding schools. So far, over 6000 graves have been found for children as young as two years old.

Join us as the SDSU APIDA Center stands in solidarity with the [Native Resource Center](#). On September 30th, please help us bring awareness by:

1. Wearing Orange.
2. Holding a sign that reads, "Every Child Matters."
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APIDA Flex Alerts

- Congratulations to **Sabrina Nguyen**, former SDSU VSA Co-President. She was selected as the Interim President and Internal Vice President at the [Union of Vietnamese Student Associations of Southern California \(UVSA SoCal\)](#)! Sabrina will coordinate and direct meetings with eleven SoCal collegiate member schools. [UVSA](#) was founded in 1982 as a means for the Vietnamese diaspora community to organize socially and politically.
- Our very own, [Jalea Villarama](#), is a pop star! By day, Jalea is a Class of '23 Speech, Language, & Hearing Sciences Major. By night, she is a singer/songwriter. She has been singing since she was three years ago. During the pandemic, Jalea dropped her debut single entitled, "[Close](#)." On September 10th, 2021, she dropped her second single entitled, "[Hung Up](#)." She is inspired by her dad who is also a musician. She said, "I want my voice to be heard. I also hope to inspire others to pursue their passions." In addition, she also sings with **Giselle Sarmiento** as "VerSace Duo of [APSA](#)."
- Congratulations to Dr. [Vicki Park](#), an associate professor in the [Department of Educational Leadership](#) in the College of Education. She has been appointed as the Director of the [Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership, concentration in PK-12](#).

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

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APIDA Center Support Spaces

Location: APIDA Center Conference Room
Fall 2021 beginning September 20

MON 1pm - 2pm Mindful Monday <i>Get organized and plan your week!</i>	TUE 1pm - 2pm Taboo Tuesday <i>Let's talk about tough topics!</i>	WED 1pm - 2pm Wind Down Wednesday <i>Practice self-care!</i>	THUR 1pm - 2pm Family Talk Thursday <i>Let's talk about family struggles!</i>
NOTE: Participating means you are agreeing to create a safe space that is confidential, non-judgmental, respectful, and consensual.		2pm - 4pm APIDA Homeroom <i>Let's study together! Get academic support!</i>	2pm - 4pm APIDA Homeroom <i>Let's study together! Get academic support!</i>

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Mondays through Thursdays from 1 PM to 2PM

- **Mindful Monday** - Get yourself ready for the week!
- **Taboo Tuesday** - Let's discuss health, dating, and more!
- **Wind Down Wednesday** - Self-care is for everyone!
- **Family Talk Thursday** - Let's navigate family struggles together!

APIDA Homeroom on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 2 PM to 4PM - Be productive, share study tips, and receive coaching on your current projects and assignments. We can also connect you with the resources you need for academic success!

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](#)
- [Dear Latinx, Let's Check Our Privilege](#) (video)
- [Afro-Latinx Experts Talk About Racism Within Our Community](#) (video)

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Time: 3:00-4:00pm
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Saturday School - Tagalog Edition

Join us on Saturdays from 1-3pm during FAHM. Learn about the Filipino language and culture with us. Attend one or all the sessions!

DATE	LANGUAGE LESSON 1-2pm	CULTURAL LESSON 2-3pm
October 2	Basic Food Language: Learn the words and phrases used during meal times. Learn to order Filipino food at restaurants and impress family at dinner parties with your food language.	Lesson: History of the Colonizing Spoon Craft: Let's Decorate Wooden Spoons!
October 9	Basic Travel Language: Learn the words and phrases needed to travel in the Philippines. Be able to find the bathroom, get around in the airport, navigate a foreign city, etc.	Lesson: Role of Religion in Filipino Homes Craft: Let's Make Parols!
October 16	Basic Love Language: Learn the basic words and phrases needed for dating. Learn to ask someone out. Learn how to do "small talk" in Tagalog.	Lesson: History of a Filipino Dance Activity: Let's Dance!
October 23	Basic Expletives: "Gosh darn it all!" Want to learn how to say that in Tagalog? This session will teach you to express your feelings in super fun ways.	Lesson: History of a Filipino Game Activity: Let's Play!

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Saturday School Tagalog Edition

Location: APIDA Center Conference Room
4 Saturdays in October, 1 PM - 3 PM
Oct. 2, Oct. 9, Oct. 16, & Oct. 23

Come learn with us over four Saturdays in October from 1-3pm at the APIDA Center for Filipinx American History Month! Each session will be accompanied by a relevant history lesson and a craft or activity. Open to all members of the SDSU community.

RSVP recommended here: <https://bit.ly/>

[FAHMSatSchool2021](#)

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](#).
- The East-West Center will hold a virtual graduate student conference February, with abstracts due October 1st. To apply, click [here](#)!
- CLS, a program of the U.S. Department of State, is an 8-10 week fully-funded summer intensive overseas language and cultural immersion program. The program includes intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences designed to promote rapid language gains. For more information and to apply, click [here](#)!
- If you want to be nominated for the [Western Union Project Finish Line 2021](#), contact Dr. Loh-Hagan at vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu by October 12. Project Finish Line targets college level juniors and seniors experiencing financial hardship that may prevent the completion of their degree program. Selected scholars will receive up to \$10,000 for the 2021-22 academic year, based on the cost of tuition and fees and their demonstrated financial need. Students need to: (1) identify as Black, Indigenous, or Person of Color, (2) be in good standing, and (3) be current undergraduates pursuing a STEM or business degree. Selected students will need to submit a brief bio and a description of how the award will help them achieve their degree.
- The Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series, conjointly with the Department of English and Comparative Literature, are hosting the following APIDA speakers:
 - Wednesday, October 27th at 6 p.m.: Author and essayist, Sayantani Dasgupta, will read from her most recent publication, *Women Who Misbehave*, and answer questions from attendees. Registration Link [here](#).
 - Wednesday, November 10th at 7 p.m.: Author and editor, Eric Nguyen, will share excerpts from his debut novel, *Things We Lost to the Water*. Registration link [here](#).
- The 22nd annual [San Diego Asian Film Festival](#) (SDAFF) will take place from October 28 - November 6 at venues across San Diego. SDAFF is looking for volunteers to help with Special Events, Theater Operations, and Membership Services. For more information, please contact Managing Director Glenn Heath Jr. at glenn@pacarts.org.
- During the Fall 2021 semester, the Womxn of Color Empowerment Group will meet virtually via zoom on Thursdays, from 5:30-7pm. The group started on September 23rd and will run weekly until December 9th, 2021. For Zoom meeting link or more information, please contact the group facilitator, Dr. Koko Nishi, at knishi@sdsu.edu.
- 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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