

# DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND CAMPUS DIVERSITY

## SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center



Read all about it!!!

Check your email! Newsletter #100 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 Student Union

Rooms #210A-K (Directly above Starbucks)

### Hours:

Mon-Thurs 10-8pm

Friday 10:00-4:30pm

Connect with us!



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SDSU APIDA  
Resource Center

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# Director's Message from Dr. Loh-Hagan

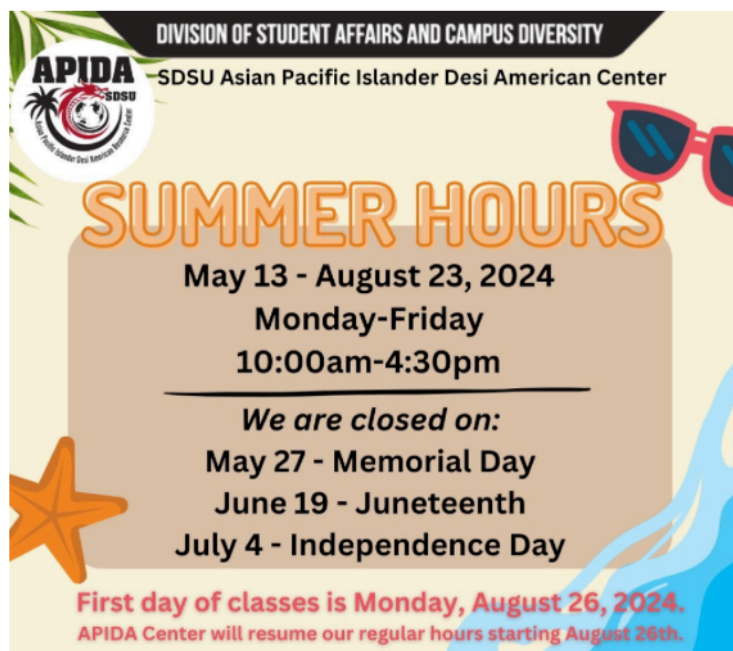
May 17, 2024



## 100th Newsletter!

Wow! Can you believe that this is our 100th newsletter!?! We are so grateful to you, our faithful newsletter readers. Thanks for reading our stories and for supporting our work. All of our newsletters are saved on our [Instagram](#) and our [website](#). We pride ourselves in connecting you with our Center (i.e., News to Know), our community (i.e., Flex Alerts, Recommendations, etc.), histories (i.e., Know APIDA History), resources (i.e., events, opportunities, internships, scholarships, etc.), and more.

Over the summer months, we produce monthly instead of weekly newsletters so our next newsletter will be on June 7th. Keep reading!



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## SUMMER HOURS

May 13 - August 23, 2024  
Monday-Friday  
10:00am-4:30pm

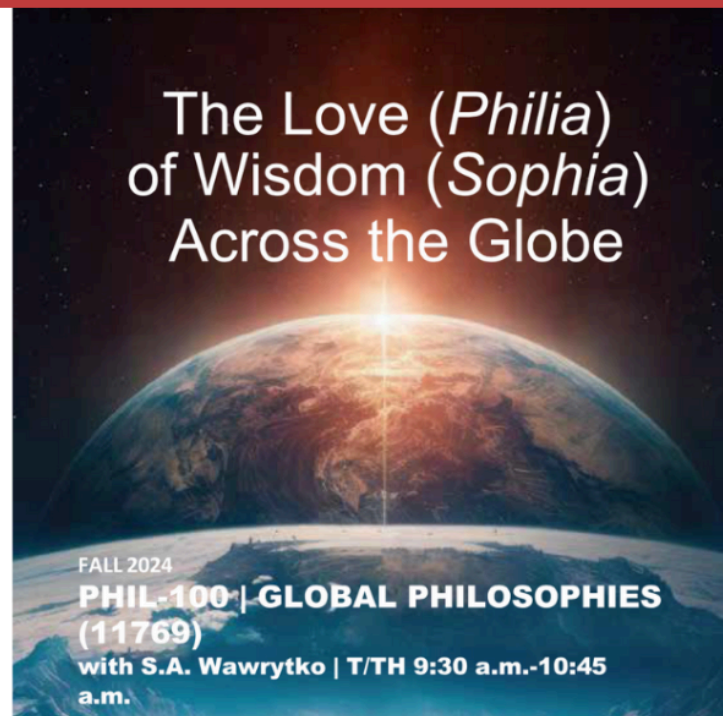
*We are closed on:*  
May 27 - Memorial Day  
June 19 - Juneteenth  
July 4 - Independence Day

First day of classes is Monday, August 26, 2024.  
APIDA Center will resume our regular hours starting August 26th.

## Summer Break 2024

School's out for the summer! But, the APIDA Center is still open! However, we will be observing modified hours. From May 13 to August 23, we will be open from 10:00-4:30pm Monday through Friday. We will be closed when the university is closed: Memorial Day (May 27), Juneteenth (June 19), and Independence Day (July 4). Visit us!

# Learn APIDA History!



## APIDA Center encourages you to sign up for ASIAN/ASAM courses!

It's not too late! Make sure to sign up for courses in Asian and/or Asian American Studies.

Some highlights:

- SOC/ASIAN 429: Gender and Sexuality in Korea is a new course being taught by Dr. **Minjeong Kim**.
- PHIL 100: Global Philosophies is a new course being taught by Dr. **Sandra Wawrytko**.

Other courses to consider include:

- AAS 100: Asian American History
- AAS 101: Politics, Power, and Asian America
- AAS 103: Introduction to Filipino American Studies
- AAS 122: War, Empire, and the Asian American Experience
- AAS 150: Writing Composition and Rhetoric
- AAS 261: Eating Asian America
- AAS 268: Asian Americans and Mental Health
- ASIAN 100: State and Society in the Asia Pacific
- ASIAN 101: Asian Thought and Cultures
- ASIAN 430: Contemporary Korean Culture Through Media
- ASIAN 458: Asian Traditions

# APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!



## APIDA Center stays crafty!

During Finals week and in celebration of APIDA History and Heritage Month, the APIDA Center hosted several crafty events. On Monday, May 6th, we hosted a Sashiko (Japanese embroidery) and on Tuesday, May 7th, we hosted a Kantha (Bangladeshi/Indian embroidery) workshop. Both of these workshops were taught by SDSU alum, **Sarah Winston**, who found her passion in textiles while enrolled in SDSU's Applied Design in Textile program. On Wednesday, May 8th, we hosted a macrame workshop taught by another SDSU alum, **Jordan Masters**, who graduated from SDSU's International Business program.



## **APIDA Center hosts Ny Nourn!**

On May 7th, the APIDA Center and Student Success Fee program hosted a lecture featuring Ny Nourn as an extension of our South East Asian American festival and in celebration of APIDA History and Heritage Month. Nourn (she/her) is the Co-Executive Director of the Asian Prisoner Support Committee (APSC). A former incarcerated and Mira Mesa resident, she is an anti-deportation organizer and strategist focused on criminalized survivors. A child of a Cambodian refugee genocide survivor and a domestic violence survivor, Nourn shared how she was "born from violence" and how this impacted her journey. She shared the specific ways criminalization shows up for immigrants and AAPI communities and the intersection of trauma, violence, incarceration, and deportation.

# APIDA Flex Alerts!

**Mac Pham**, a Journalism major and staff writer for "The Daily Aztec," wrote an article entitled, "[Connecting the dots of life as an aspiring Vietnamese American sports journalist.](#)"

**Hannah Ly**, a Journalism major and news editor for "The Daily Aztec," received the [AAJA Student Excellence in Online/Digital Journalism award](#) for "Ocean to table, Fish to Families: A sustainable solution to San Diego's food insecurity." This story spotlights the work of nonprofits and volunteers running an innovative program in San Diego. Recently, Ly published a "Daily Aztec" article entitled, "[Senior Farewell: Hannah Ly.](#)"

**Grace Cho**, a Political Science major, was featured on the cover of the *Korea JoongAng Daily*, which is an English-language daily published by the JoongAng Group, Korea's leading media group. She's a cover girl!



# APIDA Flex Alerts!

The Division of Student Affairs and Campus Diversity honored Dr. **Yea-Wen Chen** as a 2024 recipient of the Diversity Excellence Award. Dr. Chen is a Professor in the School of Communication and Director of Graduate Studies. She is the winner of 21 top paper awards at regional, national, and international communication conferences, and also a co-recipient of the 2020 Exemplary Teacher Award by the Communication & Instructional Interest Group, Western States Communication Association. She has published 4 books plus book chapters and 48 peer-reviewed articles.

Dr. **Hsien-Chang Lin**, Professor of Health Behavior and Policy and former Interim Associate Dean at the Indiana University Bloomington (IUB) School of Public Health, will join SDSU COE as the Chair of Child and Family Development.

Dr. **Sureshi M. Jayawardene**, DH@SDSU Co-Director and Associate Professor of Africana Studies, was awarded a [DEFCon Teaching Fellowship](#) for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Dr. **Loh-Hagan** has had a busy month. She spoke at APAHE in Oakland, then at the Committee of 100 meeting in NYC, then AAAS in Seattle, then back in NYC for The Asian American Foundation summit, then the AAPI Festival of Books in Long Beach, and most recently, the AAPI celebration on North Island Navy Base in Coronado. A major highlight was that she got treated to a private tour of the Top Gun planes! (They stopped her from taking selfies because of security reasons. She'd tell you more but it's classified.)



# Upcoming APIDA Center Events

Stay connected with us on [Instagram](#) for our summer programming (coming soon)!



## Happy APIDA Heritage & History Month!

In this picture, Dewey (#deweyhagan #apidadog) is standing underneath our APIDA Month banners which are proudly displayed around campus. Challenge yourself to learn more about APIDA history. Consider doing one of the following:

- Read a book about the APIDA experience.
- Watch a movie about the APIDA experience.
- Watch the PBS docuseries, "[Asian Americans](#)."

## Student-Led Workshops & Student-Created Social Media Campaigns

APIDA Center is hosting Student-Led Workshops and Student-Created Social Media Campaigns. This is a great opportunity to share your passion with others. It's also an opportunity to learn how to plan an event or prepare a campaign with our support. We are interested in any and all APIDA-related topics! If you are interested, email Dr. Loh-Hagan at [vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu](mailto:vloh-hagan@sdsu.edu).



# Opportunities & Events

## APIDA Student Organizations:

- Stay connected with our student organizations by following their Instagram accounts.

## Community Center Partners:

- Stay connected with our community centers by following their Instagram accounts. Note that all of us are on modified schedules for the summer.

## Campus Partners:

- Career Services is hosting a [Summer Career Fair](#) on May 29th from 10-2pm in Montezuma Hall. A virtual option will take place on May 30th from 12-2pm. Students and recent graduates can learn about open internships, part-time, and full time positions.
- Struggling with basic needs? Need resources? Connect with [Economic Crisis Response Team](#)

## Community Partners:

- The San Diego QAPIMEDA Coalition is hosting [QTAPI K-Pop Beats](#) on May 25th from 9pm-1am.
- The Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Geosciences (AAPIiG) is hosting a virtual workshop entitled, "Exploring Personal Heritage in Academic and Professional Paths" on May 28 starting at 2pm. [Register](#) today! Panelists include Dr. [Steven Mana'oakamai Johnson](#), [Amira Noeuv](#), and [Caroline Juang](#).
- Dr. Grant Muagututi'a is teaching [Gagana Samoa, Language & Performing Arts Program](#) from June 3-July 2 at MiraCosta College.
- The Asian American Education Project offers free APIDA resources on their [website](#) and [Instagram](#). The next workshop is entitled, "[Integrating APIDA in Your Everyday Teaching](#)" and takes place on May 15th from 4-5pm.

**Do you have an opportunity to share?**  
Email us at [apida@sdsu.edu](mailto:apida@sdsu.edu).

# Paid Internships & Scholarships

## Paid Internships:

- **NEW!** The [AAPIs for Civic Empowerment Education Fund](#) (AAPI FORCE-EF) is hiring for several fellowships in [Communications](#), [Field](#), and [Policy](#). These paid fellowships will take place from July 1 to November 15. Fellows earn \$27 per hour for 25 hours per week. These positions are primarily remote and may be based anywhere in California, with some expected in-person programming (travel costs will be covered). [Apply](#) by May 19.
- The City of San Diego is seeking two interns for their [Energy, Environment, and Utilities Sector: Marine Biology Internship](#). [Apply](#) by May 20.
- **NEW!** Viet Voices is hiring interns to work from June 17 to December 20 for 8-10 hours a week for \$600 a month. [Apply](#) by emailing [info@vietvoices.org](mailto:info@vietvoices.org) by May 31.

## Scholarships:

- [The Concrete Rose Scholarship](#) is awarding two \$1,150 scholarships. BIPOC women with a minimum 2.0 GPA are eligible to apply. [Apply](#) by May 24.
- The [AIAS Foundation Scholarship](#) is awarding \$2,500 to students pursuing a career in game development. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [Groundbreaker Leadership Scholarship](#) is awarding \$1,500 to an APIDA student who demonstrates leadership abilities. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [#LiveLikeLyly Memorial Scholarship](#) is awarding \$1000 to an APIDA student pursuing fashion or graphic design. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [Thear Sy Suzuki R.I.S.E. Scholarship](#) is awarding \$1,500-\$2,500 to an APIDA student who has demonstrated self-reflection. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [Lily Pabilona Emerging Entrepreneur Scholarship](#) is awarding \$1,000-\$5,000 to an APIDA student who is a small business owner. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [Artistic Scholarship](#) is awarding \$1,000 to an APIDA student pursuing art. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The California Teacher's Association's [LGBTQ+ Safety in Schools Grant & Scholarship Program in Honor of Guy DeRosa](#) is awarding up to \$2,500 to an LGBTQ+ aspiring educator. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [Breaking Barriers Program](#) is awarding \$3000-\$5000 to women in California pursuing STEM. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- The [Minerva Scholarship Program](#) is awarding \$3000-\$10,000 to women in California. [Apply](#) by May 31.
- [The Vietnamese Student of Excellence Scholarship](#) is awarding \$1000 to a student of Vietnamese descent. [Apply](#) by August 5.