On behalf of the Board of Directors of Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE), I welcome you to our 27th annual national conference.

I believe this year may be our best and most memorable event, with carefully selected speakers, thought-provoking panels and workshops, unexpected performances, and the opportunity to meet amazing people from all over the country.

Our program reflects a deep sense of pride and accomplishment as we continue to address and celebrate the diversity among us, as well as that which ties us together. Our conference theme this year, “Recognizing our Legacy, Seizing the Moment, Envisioning our Future”, highlights and focuses on understanding our past, where we are in the present, and looking to build a stronger future by bringing different generations of diverse leaders together.

It’s an exciting time for APAHE as we continue to grow and adapt. We have grown tremendously over the past few years, and I believe this is the result of our Board’s shared commitment to be responsive to the myriad needs of the communities and people we represent and serve combined with your vote of confidence in our organization.

I want to thank the APAHE Planning Committees for all their energy and passion in making this conference a heartfelt and engaging experience for each of you. This conference is truly from our hearts to yours.

Throughout this conference, I ask you to stay engaged and help us shape the future of APAHE. My personal thanks goes out to all of you for taking time out of your busy schedule to join us.

Cordially,

Wyman M. Fong
President, Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education

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SESSION DESCRIPTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014

7:00 AM
Registration, Continental Breakfast, and Networking
Hilton Hotel, 2nd and 3rd Floors

8:00 AM
Welcome and Introductions
Hilton Ballroom, 3rd Floor

Wyman M. Fong
President, Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education

Vui ChangChien, Human Resources, Chabot College

Greetings
Leslie E. Wong, Ph.D., President, San Francisco State University

9:00 AM
Opening Keynote: To be an Asian Pacific Islander in the Twenty-First Century is to be offered as a gift
Hilton Ballroom, 3rd Floor

Patrick Hayashi, Ph.D., Artist, Community Activist and former Associate President of the University of California System

10:00 AM
Networking Break
Hilton Hotel, 2nd and 3rd Floors

10:30 AM TO 1:00 PM, HILTON HOTEL, 2ND AND 3RD FLOORS
CONCURRENT SESSION #1

1a. Navigating Intersecting Identities Through Authentic Dialog
Hilton Hotel, Jacuzzi Room

The outside world sees us race, gender, and size at first glance. However, we are much more complex and hold multiple identities that we navigate on a daily basis. What does it really mean to hold intersecting identities? How do we navigate our different communities? This roundtable is an opportunity to build community through dialogue and reflection about who we are as complex individuals who may hold intersecting identities and memberships in communities that are not historically accepted in the AAPI community. Participants will be able to share their perspectives in a safe environment.

PRESENTERS
Allison Lau, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Counseling & Student Judicial Affairs, Highline Community College

1b. “Our Words, Our Worlds” — Autobiographical Stories by APA Undocumented Students
Hilton Hotel, Jacuzzi Room

Of the two million undocumented youth and young adults currently living in the U.S., about 10% are Asian. In the UC system alone, about 45% of undocumented students are Asian. A small number of APA undocumented students have stepped out of the shadows and are boldly sharing their stories. Learn how APA undocumented youth leaders are using storytelling as a powerful tool for healing, advocacy, and empowerment.

PRESENTERS
Albin Appligano, Community Organizer, Asian Students Promoting Immigrant Rights through Education (ASPIRE)
Catherine Lusakol, Board Member, United We Dream
Katherine Gin, J.D. (Mediator), Colloquio & Executive Director, Educators for Fair Consideration (Moderator)

New Leitao, Co-founder, PreHealth Dreamers
Mario Liu, Construction Project Manager, Kebarb Enterprises

1c. Asian Women United: Producing Educational Materials through a Community Organization
Hilton Hotel, Montgomery Room

Since 1976, AWU has operated as a volunteer run nonprofit and has produced educational materials that spotlight the experiences of AAPI women. AWU materials, including Making Waves: Writing by and About Asian American Women and Slumping the Dragon: Asian Women in U.S. Television and Film, have been used in Asian American Studies classrooms since 1982. The panel will present how AWU created content for community use and furthers the discourse around AAPI women in higher education.

PRESENTERS
Eunice Kwon, Ph.D., Coordinator of Asian Pacific American Student Development, University of California, Berkeley
Hannah Mitchell, MFA, Lecturer, Asian American Studies, University of California, Berkeley
Esther Rodriguez, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology at the University of San Francisco and Director of UCSC’s Asian American Studies Program
Nokia Kim Thao, Communications Manager at Meals On Wheels of San Francisco

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family, and community, which would affect retention/graduation rates and overall academic success. The findings will be used to better serve this underrepresented student group at Fresno State and other colleges campuses.

PRESENTERS:
Gwen Lee, Geog, Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, California State University, Fresno
Haruki Kuro, Public Services Librarian, Library, California State University, Fresno
Yoshiko Takeuchi, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Criminology, California State University, Fresno

1e. Improving the Culture of Writing for AAPI Students at San Jose State University

HELTON HOTEL, MASON ROOM

In its AANAPISI project, SJSU has focused on improving the writing of AAPI students. This panel will present the AANAPISI activities at SJU, including reworking the existing writing support services, enabling more data-based decision-making about student retention and graduation for AAPI students, implementing proactive writing strategies and changing the SJU writing culture from a policy-driven approach to an action-oriented approach.

PRESENTERS:
Patricia Baker, Ph.D., Professor of Technology and SJU’s AANAPISI Coordinator; San Jose State University
Michelle Hager, Director of SJU’s Writing Center; San Jose State University
Linda Mitchell, Ph.D., Professor of English and Director, SJU Writing Center, San Jose State University
Maryann Schafran, Ph.D., Associate Vice President, Student Academic Support Services and Principal Investigator of SJU’s AANAPISI Grant, San Jose State University

1f. Advocacy among Hmong Americans in Higher Education

HELTON HOTEL, MARSHALL ROOM

led by Dr. Premrat, Dr. Balla Wei, Chico State engaged Hmong American faculty, staff and students in 61 rounds of “possibility conversations” to renew the Academic Plan, This panel will share and discuss issues of advocacy and access: (1) how to empower minorities among minorities on a campus that is predominantly white, (2) how to mutually transform leadership pathways and Hmong voices, and (3) how to create effective short and long-term programs for Hmong people’s visibility and success in American higher education.

PRESENTERS:
Wanchai Lan, Ph.D., Associate Vice President for Faculty Affairs, California State University, Chico
Matthew Lo, Financial Aid Analyst, California State University, Chico
Yel Thao, Transition Specialist, Chico State Student Success Center , California State University, Chico
Pa Vesa, Program Advisor, Upward Bound Projects, California State University, Chico

Poster Session: Factors That Motivate Faculty to Participate in Professional Development Activities

HELTON HOTEL, 3RD FLOOR LOBBY

Faculty Professional Development (FPD) improves faculty job performance and student success, reduces job isolation and increases job satisfaction. Higher education work environment and faculty demographics changed, FPD changed in content and format of delivery caused some problems in FPD. Low participation by faculty in FPD activities, mismatch of FPD programs that do not meet faculty needs, and changing faculty motivations and perceptions about the value of FPD are problems facing FPD providers and policy makers. The purpose of this mixed methods study was to identify factors that motivate faculty to attend FPD and to evaluate faculty perception about the value of faculty development.

PRESENTER:
Xiong Xian, Ed.D. Student, California State University, Fullerton
2h. Case Study: UC Berkeley’s Undocumented Student Program
HILTON HOTEL, BANSANOE ROOM
The Undocumented Student Program (USP) at UC Berkeley is a program designed to meet the holistic needs of undocumented students at a top for research university. This session will describe and analyze the development towards creating an inclusive campus climate in serving undocumented students. It will also address the unique racial and ethnic conditions and experiences of API undocumented students in higher education and identify the barriers to their success. With an introduction to the academic counseling model used by USP and UC Berkeley’s Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), participants will learn how to implement holistic and solution-focused frameworks when advising undocumented students. Furthermore, participants will also develop strategies on how to collaborate with campus and community resources to create allies, access, equity and inclusion.

PRESENTERS:
Meng Su, Director, Undocumented Student Program, University of California, Berkeley

2e. The SAT: Delivering Opportunity for Readiness, Access and Success
HILTON HOTEL, MONTGOMERY ROOM
Learn about the College Board’s recently announced Opportunity Agenda and the redesign of the SAT, including design principles and information about tools, resources and research. Hear what your higher education colleagues have identified as critical components of the proposed revisions, and how College Board is working to ensure that student’s work is focused on readiness, access and success. Together, we are all in a position to deliver opportunity to all students. Be a part of this important dialogue.

PRESENTERS:
Arita Cassy, Director of District and State Strategy Outreach, The College Board
Michael Seaton, Vice President for Enrollment Management, Santa Clara University
Ken Woods, Executive Director, Higher Education, The College Board

2f. The Impact of Cultural Values on APIs in Higher Education
HILTON HOTEL, MASON 2 ROOM
This presentation will provide a better understanding of how traditional Asian cultural values impact API students in higher education. Specifically, this session will present empirical evidence on real-life experiences of college-going students, including the tensions and psychological challenges impacting their academic performance. The presentation will share promising practices for supporting API students as they attempt to negotiate their Asian cultural values within a Western academic environment.

PRESENTERS:
Chen Zhang, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Psychology, University of California, Davis

2g. Professional Competencies for Student Affairs Professionals
HILTON HOTEL, MASON 1 ROOM
Looking to advance your career in Student Affairs. Whether you are an experienced manager or new professional, professional skill building is an ongoing process. To help us along the way, ACPR and NASPA have published a Professional Competency Areas for Student Affairs Practitioners. This document serves as a guide for the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of a successful Student Affairs Professional of all levels. This session will introduce participants to these competencies, discuss applications of the competencies as well as new and emerging competencies in the field.

PRESENTERS:
Arash Su, Student Organization Coordinator, San Francisco State University

2i. The Emerging Executive: API Women in Higher Education
HILTON HOTEL, MASON 2 ROOM
Higher education panels commonly feature “seasoned” female administrators providing accounts of their journey in administration and provide wisdom of how to succeed. This current panel will take a more “participant observer” perspective as API women and discuss how they are currently navigating higher education administration. Included in their presentations will be their career paths, passions, detours, challenges, support networks, successes and future goals.

PRESENTERS:
Christina Ijima Hall, Ph.D., Dean of Student Affairs, San Francisco State University
Sonny Lee, Assistant Ombudsperson, University of California, Berkeley
Chen Zhang, Ph.D., Director of Cultural Centers, University of San Francisco
Belinda Vu, Ph.D., Policy and Program Analyst, University of California Office of the President - Student Affairs

12:30 PM
Lunch
HILTON BALLROOMS 2ND FLOOR
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2:00 PM
Break: Visit Vendors, Tour of Chinese Culture Center, and Book Signing
Hilton Hotel, 4ND AND 5TH FLOORS

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2:40 PM TO 3:15 PM, HILTON HOTEL AND LOUNGE
CONCURRENT SESSION #3

3a. Creating Community and Coalition: API&
Staff and Faculty Organizations in Higher Education
HILTON HOTEL, JACKSON ROOM
This session will discuss API& staff associations, including the benefits and challenges of creating an association. Discussion topics will include but are not limited to history, structure, funding, professional development, events, and membership. We will share promising practices for creating, maintaining API& organizations, and navigating institutional challenges. Open to staff and faculty interested or involved in API& organizations at four-year institutions and community colleges.

PRESENTERS:
Rod Santos, Residencia Affairs Supervisor, University of California, Berkeley; UCB Berkeley APA& Co-Chair;
Brita Simula, Student Affairs Officer, University Of California, Davis; UCB Davis APA& Co-Chair

3b. Raising Educational Achievement in
Collaborative Rugs
HILTON HOTEL, GARVEY ROOM
CSU Chico has implemented REACH, a program that includes faculty and peer mentoring, weekly “study jams”, and intentional co-curricular activities all aimed at creating a culture of student success for first generation college students. This presentation will examine the key components of the model including “lessons learned” from planning to the implementation of the program.

PRESENTERS:
Gary McMahan, Director, Chico Student Success Center; California State University, Chico;
Deanna Pietra, Achievement Specialist, Chico Student Success Center; California State University, Chico;
Amanda Tsao, Student Mentor, California State University, Chico

3c. “Talk Story” Under the Pale Fono: Seizing
the Moment with Underrepresented Pacific
Islander Community College Students
HILTON HOTEL, MONTGOMERY ROOM
Through the Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) grant, the Aria Program at Mt. San Antonio College began piloting a cultural intervention approach, the “Fono”, to support our Pacific Islander (PI) students. Through the use of both “talk story” (group discussions) and reflective writing, our PI students discuss with us their needs, concerns and student development in this community.

PRESENTERS:
Ana Ivanovac-Diaz, Director, Aria Program (AANAPISI Grant); Mt. San Antonio College;
Lisa Matias, Educational Advisor, Aria Program (AANAPISI Grant); Mt. San Antonio College

3d. Challenging Balance: API& Women on Leading,
Family and Changing the Landscape
HILTON HOTEL, WASHINGTON ROOM
Learn in and battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother created an enormous amount of dialogue about working parents and how race, culture, leadership and the sexual search for work life balance collide in our day to day lives. The larger questions we should be asking though is what it means for us as API& women in leadership roles – what does balance look like with children, parents, work and other relationships? Does being a leader always mean giving up everything to get that coveted position, or are there ways of balance and ways to make an impact without being a CEO? Join four fun and experienced API& leaders as we discuss leadership, being a working parent, what supportive environments could (and shouldn’t) look like, and what that means day to day in the context of being an Asian American woman.

PRESENTERS:
Rosa Ramirez-Chavez, Ph.D., Vice President of Student Services, South Seattle Community College;
Kim Shipman, Vice President, Community College League of California;
Tram Vinhsinh, Dean of Math and Science, Glendale College;
Hyun Cho Yblake, Director, MDSCC Cross Cultural Center, San Joaquin State University

3e. Managing the Powerful & Influential in Higher
Education Projects
HILTON HOTEL, MASON I ROOM
Effective management of stakeholders’ needs and expectations is crucial to the success of all projects. Workshop participants are invited to learn and share how to leverage their soft skills to manage stakeholders in higher education’s project environment.

PRESENTERS:
Angela Chang, Management Analyst, University of California, Berkeley School of Law

3f. Mixed, Not Mixed Up: Exploring the Power of
Self Narrative in the Development of
Multiracial College Students
HILTON HOTEL, MASON II ROOM
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4. Strategically Planning Your Career: Positioning Yourself for the Next Promotion

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Asian Pacific Americans are underrepresented in leadership positions within higher education institutions. With the retirement of a baby boomer and the push for diversifying organizations, the opportunity to fill the leadership gap is tremendous. Human Resources Administrators will discuss key components that hiring managers are seeking for executive management positions and discuss how you can attain these skills to prepare you for the next opportunity.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS:

- Ibrahim Al-Abi, Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, Kalamazoo Community College District
- Kristine Combs, Executive Director of Human Resources and Labor Relations, College of Marin
- Eric Ramirez, Director of Human Resources/Civilian Human Resources Officer, Gaviilan Joint Community College District (Facilitator)

4F. TESTED

HELTON HOTEL, MASON O’ROE

Skyviewen, Bronx Science, Brooklyn Tech, some of NYC’s top ranked public high schools. Each year, thousands of eighth graders compete to secure coveted spots at a single test. While blacks and Hispanics constitute 70% of the city’s public school population, they represent only 11% at these schools with a majority Asian American. This documentary will follow a diverse group of students trying to pass the test, as well as the issues surrounding access to high-quality public education, affirmative action, and the multicultural myth.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKER:

- Curtis Chin, Award-winning Writer, Director and Producer. Chin has written for ABC, NBC, Fox, the Disney Channel and more.

The New York Times gracefully calls him on a front-page feature, “The most visible yet invisible pop figure in the entire world.” Known all over the world as Legaci, these four gentlemen have been wowing audiences with their harmonious and vocal vocals. Dari, Chris, Aubrey, and Carleax all hail from Northern California and for years shared a passion to make music that moves people. And more people they did. Legaci’s claim to fame was through Youtube. With over 25 million views and counting, it was Legaci’s Youtube channel and their cover of Justin Bieber’s smash hit "Baby" that got Bieber and his manager’s attention. They were asked to tour with Justin and be his official backing group. Since then they’ve performed at over 20 shows across 30 different countries, and appeared in major media outlets including American Idol, Oprah, and Saturday Night Live just to name a few. Legaci is ready to build a Legacy!

FRIYDAY, APRIL 11, 2014

7:00 AM

Registration, Continental Breakfast, and Networking

HELTON HOTEL, 3RD FLOOR

8:30 AM

Acknowledgements and Introductions

HELTON BALLROOM, 3RD FLOOR

Arnold Paganin, Chairperson, Santa Barbara Junior College

Timiko Purvery, Director of Student Activities and Campus Life, Laney College

Yvonne Wu Craig, Interim Director of Grants, Chabot College

9:45 AM

APAHE Unveiled: The Importance and Significance of a Brand

HELTON BALLROOM, 3RD FLOOR

Gordon Fowler, CEO, Wild Communications

Introduction by Vince Salee, Vice President for University Advancement at California State University, Sacramento

9:50 AM

Having a Seat at the Table

HELTON BALLROOM, 3RD FLOOR

Frank Chung, Ed.D, President/Supervising, Santa Rosa Junior College (Moderator)

Sandra Z. Cueto, Ph.D, President, Orange Coast College

Elton Jure, Ph.D, Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs, California State University, Dominguez Hills

Ronald Kimes-Rachman, Ed.D, Vice President, Student Services, South Seattle Community College

Van Tran-Dinh, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development of California’s Community Colleges

10:46 AM

Networking Break

HELTON HOTEL, 3RD AND 4TH FLOORS

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1a. Getting Acquainted: Student to Student
Hilton Hotel, Jackson Room
This workshop session is an opportunity for undergraduate students from different colleges and university campuses from across the country to get to know each other and share ideas about what it means to be an Asian American/Pacific Islander student. What issues do students face in the classroom, outside the classroom, and in the community? What are the support mechanisms that allow you to navigate the issues?

PRESENTERS:
Sara Brossi, Program Assistant, Asian American Student Success Program, University of Massachusetts Boston
Aide Cruz, Director, Asian Program (KANAPI) Grant, M.S. San Antonio College
Ula Mattaras, Educational Advisor, Asian Program (KANAPI) Grant, M.S. San Antonio College
Patricia Nelson, Ed.D., Director, Asian American Student Success Program, University of Massachusetts Boston

1b. Advancing Asian American and Pacific Islander Agenda in Higher Education: Current Efforts and Future Prospects
Hilton Hotel, Rambler Room
This panel session aims to highlight the power of collaborative work between researchers, practitioners, and institutional leaders to instigate sustainable change for the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) students in higher education. Two major efforts are the focus of this panel: a partnership with three Asian American/Native American and Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (KANAPIs) and an AAPI data disaggregation campaign in collaboration with the California State University’s (CSU) AAPI Initiative. Both of these initiatives serve as models of co-investigative research and its potential and success in 1) identifying successful and sustainable interventions to improve AAPI student outcomes, 2) building leverage for access to greater resources, and 3) advancing the AAPI student agenda through institutional and social change.

PRESENTERS:
Timothy P. Long, Ph.D., Professor, Ethnic Studies/Chair, and Principal Investigator, Full Circle Project, California State University, Sacramento
Bach Mai Do, Dolly Nguyen, Doctoral Student, Social Science and Comparative Education, University California, Los Angeles
Robert Teranishi, Ph.D., Professor, Education and Asian American Studies, Principal Investigator/National Commission on AAPI Research in Education, University of California, Los Angeles
Roswein Tomawang, Associate Vice President of Instruction, De Anza College

1c. Healthy Professional Stretches: Going beyond the Norm, Seizing Opportunities, and Building Future Opportunities and Your Personal Legacy
Hilton Hotel, Montgomery Room
What defines a professional stretch and where are these opportunities healthy to be seized? Are there unique leadership challenges for APAH? How can we identify and take full advantage of opportunities to become more effective and successful leaders in higher education? Panellists will influence and guide graduate education at three University of California campuses will share their experiences seizing opportunities and advancing professionally.

PRESENTERS:
Samuel H. Benoliel, Ph.D., Assistant Vice Provost for Graduate Education, University of California, Los Angeles
Carolee Canino, Assistant Dean, Graduate Division, University of California, Merced
Richard Shinkai, Ph.D., Assistant Dean, Graduate Division, University of California, Davis

1d. Improve the Moment and Build Your Legacy
Hilton Hotel, Washington Room
The purpose of this presentation is to share promising practices on how to “seize the moment” in order to: 1) communicate positively, 2) be present, 3) understand when to lead and follow. These are fundamentals of improvisation. As a professional, may you have and continue to learn how to strengthen your leadership, communication style, and self-expression through improvisation. Practice taking risks by learning to improve key fundamentals to transform your organization and personal life. This session is highly interactive and participatory.

PRESENTERS:
Ammalyn Cruz, Project Analyst - Student Affairs, Learning & Development, University of California, Berkeley
Roxanne V. Yélis, Retention Program Coordinator, Residental & Housing Services, University of California, Berkeley

1e. An Informal Dialog with Chief Executive Officers/College Presidents (Community College Edition)
Hilton Hotel, Major Land & Rooms Committee
Presidents/CEOs will share their insights, stories, and knowledge on advancing towards leadership in higher education. This session will include small roundtable discussions with one CEO/President at a time. This is your time to ask that question you have always wanted to ask!
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Poster Session: Mong American Experiences in the U.S. Revisited

Belden Room and Floor Lobby

Mong Americans are an emerging ethnic group in the U.S. This poster presentation will provide an update on two book chapters on the experiences of the Mong in the United States edited by Jing (2008) on Emerging voices: Experiences of underrepresented Asian Americans. The presentation will address Mong Americans’ changing adjustment process, social, political, economic, and educational issues and challenges, adaptive strategies and status of their progress in the U.S. to present.

Presenters:

Pamela Than, Ph.D., Professor of Linguistics & Education, California State University, Monterey Bay
Chiung Yang, Education Consultant, California Department of Education

10:00 PM

Lunch

Belden Ballroom, 2nd Floor

• Our Voice, Our Future.
  • Al Martocchi, Assemblymember
  • Introduction by Dale Ishimaru, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer, Strategic Education Services
  • Asian Americans at a Crossroads: Majority, Minority, Both, or Neither
  • Frank W. Lu, Chancellor and Dean of the University of California, Hastings College of the Law
  • Introduction by Audrey Yamagata-Fuji, Ph.D., Vice President of Student Services, Mt. San Antonio College

1:00 PM

Break: Visit Vendors, Tour of Chinese Cultural Center, and Book signing

Belden Ballroom, 2nd Floor and 1st Floor

2a. Open Networking Space

Belden Hotel, Jackson Room

Space will be provided to attendees with the opportunity to network and meet new peers.

2b. Models of Asian American Studies

Curriculum, Pt 1

Belden Hotel, Ballroom B

This is the first of a two-part, student-led panel focusing on models of Asian American Studies curriculum, pedagogy, student leadership development, and community engagement at UMass Boston - an urban, public research university with AANAPISI status. Student presenters will share examples of curriculum, research, and reflections relevant to themes of success and struggle for low-income Asian American students from immigrant/refugee families and communities.

Presenters:

Linda Pham, Graduate Student, University of Massachusetts Boston
University of Massachusetts Boston Undergraduate Students: Carolina Kim, Komal Patel, Kim Soon Ty

2c. “Now we can stand up to fight for our rights: Critical Asian American Leadership in Our Classrooms and Our Communities”

Belden Hotel, Montgomery Room

This presentation examines APAU: Asian Pacific American Leaders United, an AANAPISI-funded program at City College of San Francisco. APAU provides opportunities for students to develop leadership skills in the classroom, on campus, and in the community. This presentation will explore challenges, successes, lessons learned, and possibilities imagined from the APAU program and its students.

Presenters:

Melissa Cenias, Director, APAU program, and Instructor, Asian American Studies, City College of San Francisco

2d. Full Circle Project at Sacramento State: Gathering Institutional Data for Promoting API Student Academic Success

Belden Hotel, Washington Room

This panel presentation will highlight how the Full Circle Project (FCP) at Sacramento State is diligent in gathering data that can be used to measure student success and progress, to attract funding, and to communicate their stories of success.
1a. Reducing Educational and Legislative Resources: The Impact on API Subpopulations

HILTON HOTEL, JACKSON ROOM

UCI has partnered with Advancing Justice Center & DoE to disaggregate API demographic data which gives us a clearer picture of how various factions of the API population are affected by reducing educational and legislative resources. It also helps our community identify the gaps and opportunities to rally support for equity and support for API success.

PRESENTERS
Mike Eng, Board of Trustees, Los Angeles Community College District
Nakihana Sawhney, Partner, Garcia, Hernandez, Sawhney & Hammond (P.H. Foundation)
Lois Takahashi, Ph.D., Professor, University of California, Los Angeles
Chui Tang, M.D., Superintendent/President, Santa Monica College

1b. Models of Asian American Studies Curriculum, Pt. 3

HILTON HOTEL, SANFORD ROOM

This is the second of a two-part, student-led panel focusing on models of Asian American Studies curriculum, pedagogy, student leadership development, and community engagement at UMass Boston – an urban, public research university with AA/ABDII status. Students presenters will share examples of curriculum products, research, and reflections relevant to themes of success and struggle for low-income Asian American students from immigrant/refugee families and communities.

PRESENTERS
Joe Nguyen, Graduate Student, University of Massachusetts Boston
University of Massachusetts Boston Undergraduate Students: Hoaiyen Hoang, Can Van Tran, Ally Yee

1c. The API Student’s Pathway to Leadership & Success

HILTON HOTEL, MONTGOMERY ROOM

Despite the model minority myth and cultural barriers, eight API students currently hold positions in California State University, East Bay’s student government, Associated Students Inc. Four of these students will share their struggles of being an API student pursuing higher education. Recognizing that finding their voice, embracing their struggles, receiving support from mentors, and advocating for social justice has led them to student success.

PRESENTER
Shack Ani, Student, California State University East Bay
Erik Paul, Student, California State University East Bay
Sam Tran, Academic and Career Counselor, California State University East Bay (Pilots)
Michelle Xing, President, California State University East Bay Associated Students Inc.
Grazing Yang, Student, California State University, East Bay

2d. An Informal Dialog with Chief Executive Officers/College Presidents (University Edition)

HILTON HOTEL, MASON AND 3 ROOMS COMBINED

Informal Dialogs with Chief Executive Officers/College Presidents are interactive, informal conversations aimed at strengthening relationships and developing collaborative opportunities while also providing informal feedback to university leaders.

PRESENTERS
Timothy P. Yang, Ph.D., Professor, Ethnic Studies/Director and Principal Investigator, Full Circle Project, California State University, Sacramento
Vitali Hry, Student, Organizational & Leadership Assistant, California State University, Sacramento
Greg Kim, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology, California State University, Sacramento
May Thi Nguyen, Student, Organizational & Leadership Advisor, California State University, Sacramento
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PRESENTED:
Mellynn Wong, Financial Analyst, Operational Excellence Program Office, University of California, Berkeley

3e. CASE STUDIES OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

4:00 PM
CLOSING RAFFLE AND TOWNHALL DISCUSSION: APAHE’S FUTURE AGENDA
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2:00 PM OR 3:00 PM
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7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
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SUNITA V. COOKE
Dr. Sunita “Sunny” Cooke became president of Grossmont College, located in El Cajon, California, in July 2007. With over 20,000 students, Grossmont College, founded in 1961, is one of the two community colleges in Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District offering more than 150 associate degree programs and career and certificate programs.

Prior to joining Grossmont, Dr. Cooke spent 12 years with the two-college North Harris Montgomery Community College District in North Houston, Texas. Her last two years in Texas she served as associate vice chancellor for workforce development. Through her career, she developed a reputation for being an innovator and motivator in key leadership roles that involved defining new positions and structures within a college or district and developing new continuing education opportunities, funding resources or corporate training programs.

After completing her doctorate at Georgetown University, she completed a postdoctoral training program at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

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Under Gordon’s leadership, 3fold Communications has won numerous industry, business and philanthropy awards (he wouldn’t want to waste your time reading that here-but go to our website where you can spend hours reading through our shameless self-promotion).

In addition to building one of the strongest and most creative teams in the region, Gordon has built an agency that includes community leadership and service as part of its central mission. Members of the 3fold team currently serve on 25 nonprofit or community boards, 11 advisory committees and have donated more than $200,000 per year in pro bono PR, marketing and consulting services to nonprofit and community-based organizations.

A. GABRIEL ESTEBAN
A. Gabriel Esteban, Ph.D., made news when he was named President of San Jose State University in early 2017. He was the first Filipino to become president of a major American university and San Jose’s first lay president in decades.

Prior to his current post, Esteban served as Provost at San Jose State University in August 2007. Dr. Esteban also served as Provost and Dean of Faculty at The University of Central Arkansas. He was associate vice president of academic affairs at Arkansas Tech University and an assistant professor at the University of Houston-Victoria. Dr. Esteban was also a full-time instructor at the College of Business Administration of the University of the Philippines.
Alexander Gonzalez

Alexander Gonzalez, Ph.D., has served more than three decades as a professor and education leader, including the last decade as the 11th president of California State University, Sacramento, one of the largest universities in California State University 23-campus system. Prior to his appointment to California State University, Sacramento, Dr. Gonzalez served from 1997 to 2003 as president of California State University, San Marcos, where he made sweeping changes. Before leading San Marcos, he served for 18 years at Fresno State first as faculty and chair in the Psychology Department before becoming provost and vice president for Academic Affairs from 1991-1997.

A native Californian and the first person in his family to graduate from college, Dr. Gonzalez has devoted his career to ensuring greater opportunities for students. Dr. Gonzalez holds a master’s degree and doctorate in psychology from UC Santa Cruz. He received his bachelor’s degree in history from Pomona College, where he graduated with honors and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He spent a year at Stanford University as a postdoctoral fellow of the Ford Foundation and the National Research Council conducting research on the psychology of time. He also attended Harvard Law School and served in the United States Air Force.

Dr. Gonzalez serves as a board member of Valley Vision, an organization committed to improving the Sacramento Region. His previous service to the community includes the boards of directors for Sutter Health and the Crocker Art Museum. Dr. Gonzalez also currently serves as a Director of the National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE). Additional past service includes an appointment by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to the California Student Aid Commission and six years as a commissioner for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges – the accrediting agency for higher education institutions in California and Hawaii. He also was chair of the Governing Board of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities and was a member of the President’s Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans.

Patrick Hayashi

Pat began his career at UC Berkeley in 1966 as a campus mail carrier. He later worked in budget, accounting, contracts and grants and personnel. In 1969 he began teaching freshman writing in the new Asian American Studies program. He served as head of the program from 1971-73 and appointed Ken Takaki as the program’s first tenured professor. In 1973, he left Berkeley for Sendai, Japan where he studied educational sociology at Tohoku University. He returned to Berkeley and earned his master’s and doctoral degrees in public policy.

In 1984, at the age of fifty, he restarted his career as an analyst in student services and head of student conduct. In 1986, he was appointed special assistant to Chancellor Michael Heyman. In 1988, in the midst of a bitter controversy over Asian American admissions, Chancellor Heyman appointed him associate vice chancellor for admissions and enrollment. With that appointment, he became the highest ranking API administrator in the UC system.

While overseeing admissions, he initiated Berkeley’s move to adopt holistic review procedures and to view applicants as more than the sum of their grades and test scores.

In 1999, Pat joined UCI’s Office of the President where he served as associate president under President Richard Atkinson. He was chief architect of Atkinson’s challenge to the SAT. During that time, he also served as a trustee of the College Board, which administers the SAT program, and tried to convince the board to sever its ties with the National Merit Scholarship Program on the grounds that it advanced a fraudulent, indefensible concept of merit that unfairly discriminated against students of color and disadvantaged students.

After failing to persuade the College Board, he initiated a campaign at UC that, in 2005, led all UC campuses to drop out of the program. He remains a staunch critic of standardized college admissions tests.

After retiring in 2004, Pat took up art. At the invitation of the US State Department, last October, he travelled to Kyrgyzstan to give lectures on the Japanese American concentration camps and master classes at art colleges on how to paint with smoke, a medium he discovered by accident while nearly setting his kitchen ablaze. (You can see work at PATRICKHAYASHI.com). He has also started singing lessons and theoretically goes to Cosmos three times a week.

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LEROY M. MORISHITA

Leroy Morishita, Ed.D., currently serves as President of California State University, East Bay. He arrived at Cal State East Bay from San Francisco State University, where he served as Executive Vice President for Administration and Finance and Chief Financial Officer. Dr. Morishita has more than 30 years of experience in higher education as an educator and administrator. He first worked in the California State University system from 1979 to 1981 as counseling coordinator and counselor for the Educational Opportunity Program at San Francisco State University.

Dr. Morishita has been a commissioner of the Western Association for Senior Colleges and Universities since 2007, and chair of its Finance & Operations Committee since 2010.

ROSIE RIMANDO-CHAREUNSAP

Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap currently serves as the Vice President for Student Services at South Seattle Community College, where she began her higher education career in 2000 working in pre-college TRIO programs, Educational Talent Search and Upward Bound. Keeping her heart and professional values firmly rooted in TRIO and its serving underprivileged populations, she has also served the college and the community in leadership roles in Outreach and Admissions, student success initiatives including a Title II grant project, and with the college’s first AANAMSS (Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Servicing Institution) grants and designations. Rosie earned her Bachelor degrees in English and Comparative American Cultures from Washington State University (WSU), a Master of Public Administration from University of Washington, and a Doctorate of Education in Higher Education Administration back at WSU.

AL MURATSUCHI

Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi served as a prosecutor and a school board member before he was elected in November of 2012 to represent California’s 66th Assembly District, which includes the cities of Gardena, Hermosa Beach, Lynwood, the Los Angeles communities of Harbor City and Harbor Gateway, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance and the unincorporated communities of El Camino Village and West Canon.

Muratsuchi served as a prosecutor and Deputy Attorney General with the California Department of Justice for over eleven years. Prior to joining the Department of Justice in 2001, he was a prosecutor with the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office and the Santa Ana City Attorney’s Office. Muratsuchi also served as a Torrance Unified School Board member for over seven years. As School Board President, Muratsuchi played a key role in initiating the largest school repair and modernization program in the district’s history.

Assemblymember Muratsuchi is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and the UCIA School of Law, and an alumnus of the Cato Foundation Public Affairs Fellows Program.

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Van Ton-Quinlivan was named a “White House Champion of Change” in her capacity as Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development of California’s Community Colleges. This Division administers state and federal funding applied to the career education mission across the system’s 112 community colleges. Appointed by Governor Jerry Brown in 2011, her leadership focus is on Doing What Matters for Jobs and the Economy.

Ton-Quinlivan came to this position as a recognized thought leader in the energy and utility industry on the issue of workforce development. While Director of Workforce Development at Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E), the architected PowerPathway™, a nationally recognized best practice model program in workforce development.

CHUI L. TSANG
Chui L. Tsang, Ph.D., currently serves as superintendent/president of Santa Monica College. Santa Monica College is a premier public community college with approximately 30,000 students.

Prior to coming to Santa Monica College, Dr. Tsang served as president of San Jose City College for nearly nine years. Prior to his post at San Jose, he served as a dean at the City College of San Francisco and as Executive Director of Career Resources Development Center, a vocational training and employment agency approved by the California State Department of Education.

Dr. Tsang attended Contra Costa College, a two-year campus in the East San Francisco Bay Area, transferring to UC Berkeley to earn his B.A. degree in Linguistics in 1975. He received his Ph.D. in Linguistics from Stanford in 1981 and is published in the fields of linguistics, education and workforce training.

His awards include Union Bank of California’s Local Hero Award and U.S. Department of Labor honors for his work in workforce and economic development.

ELÍNORÁ T. WEBB
Elínora T. Webb, Ph.D., serves as president of Laney College, which is located in downtown Oakland, California, and the College is the flagship of the Parole Community College District, which serves up to 30,000 students. Prior to her appointment as president, Dr. Webb served as Vice President of Instruction and Dean of Humanities, Languages Arts & Social Sciences at Laney College.

Dr. Webb serves in several other leadership capacities, including as a member of the American Association of Community Colleges’ (AACC) Commission on Global Education, the Community College League of California’s CEO Board of Directors and as faculty with the University of California at Berkeley’s Executive Leadership Academy.

Dr. Webb was a member of the Community College Leadership program at the University of California at Berkeley and completed her Ph.D. in Education with emphasis in Higher Education Administration/Policy. She also completed all coursework in the Organizational Behavior and Industrial Relations Ph.D. program of the Haas School of Business. She received her Master’s degree in Educational Administration from San Francisco State University and Bachelor’s of Arts degree in Liberal Studies with emphasis in Psychology & Education is from the University of California at Riverside.

Her ability to navigate through tough and complex challenges has led to recognition by members of the California legislature and State Senate with the 2011 Community Hero Award.
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HELEN ZIA

Helen Zia is an award-winning journalist and scholar who has covered Asian American communities and social and political movements for decades. She is the author of *Asian American Dream: The Emergence of an American People*, a finalist for the prestigious Kiriyama Pacific Rim Book Prize.

She is also co-author, with Wei Ho Lee, of *My Country Versus Me*, which reveals what happened to the Los Alamos scientist who was falsely accused of being a spy for China in the “worst case since the Rosenberg.”

Zia is former Executive Editor of *Ms. Magazine*. Her articles, essays and reviews have appeared in numerous publications, books and anthologies. She was named one of the most influential Asian Americans of the decade by *Ms. Magazine*. Zia has received numerous journalism awards for her groundbreaking stories.

Zia has been outspoken on issues ranging from civil rights and peace to women’s rights and confronting hate violence and homophobia. In 1997, she testified before the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights on the racial impact of the news media. She traveled to Beijing in 1995 to the U.N. Fourth World Congress on Women as part of a journalists of color delegation. She has appeared in numerous news programs and films, her work on the 1980s Asian American landmark civil rights case of anti-Asian violence is documented in the Academy Award nominated film, “Who Killed Vincent Chin?” and she was profiled in Bill Moyers’ PBS documentary, “Recovering American: The Chinese Experience.”

Zia is a distinguished research fellow at the University of British Columbia and the Chinese university of Hong Kong. She received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the Law School of the City University of New York for bringing important matters of law and civil rights into public view. She is a graduate of Princeton University’s first graduating class of women. She quit medical school after completing two years, then went to work as a construction laborer, an auto worker, and a community organizer, after which she discovered her life’s work as a writer.
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