

**Pre-Conference Sessions
Wednesday, April 24, 2013**

9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LUNCH ON OWN (12:00 – 1:30 p.m.)

Hilton San Francisco Financial District
750 Kearny Street, San Francisco CA

Session 1

🕒 **LDPHE Advanced Session (full day)**

Presenter: Henry Gee, Vice President, Student Services, Rio Hondo College

This particular session is designed for graduates of the LEAP/APAHE Leadership Development Program in Higher Education (LDPHE). Participants will be able to refresh and hone their higher order leadership skills. Special presenters include college presidents and other senior level educators.

Session 2

🕒 **AANAPISI Research and Best Practices (full day)**

Facilitator: Patricia Neilson, Director of the Asian American Student Success Program at the University of Massachusetts Boston

This session will provide a forum for recipients of the AANAPISI grant. Participants will dialog about grant processes, collaborate on strategies to improve support services to Asian and Pacific Islander students and share best practices gleaned from their specific grant activities and outcomes.

Session 3 (2 half-day sessions combined)

🕒 **Leadership Strategies and Careers in Community Colleges (half day)**

**Presenters: Kathi Hiyane-Brown, President, Whatcom College;
Lori Adrian, President, Coastline College**

The National Asian Pacific Islander Council (NAPIC) of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) will host a seminar related to leadership opportunities and career building in community colleges. Additionally, leadership challenges and issues specific to community colleges will be discussed.

🕒 **Enhancing Your Effectiveness (half day)**

Presenter: Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Vice President of Student Services, Mt. San Antonio College

This session will be hands-on, focusing on skill-building to assist participants in improving their assertiveness skills and presentation abilities. Identifying and capitalizing on Asian Pacific American cultural values will be featured.