SDSU Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Center

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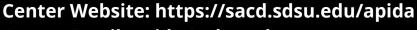### Join the APIDA Center contact list: https://bit.ly/SDSUAPIDA

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

Find your community!

Chris Medellin, Director of the Native Resource Center, said that November 30th was a "historic day." It was the day of the Grand Opening of the Native Resource Center. Whenever you get a chance, I highly encourage you to visit the Center in West Commons #115. It is a beautiful space! I was honored to be a part of the celebration. (The APIDA Center will be hosting our Grand Opening in the upcoming spring semester - standby for more information.)

San Diego State University is special for so many reasons. One of the reasons is our commitment to diversity and inclusivity. We have nine Cultural Centers: APIDA Center, Black Resource Center, Center for Intercultural Relations, Center for Transformative Justice, Latinx Resource Center, Native Resource Center, Pride Center, Undocumented Resource Center, and Women's Resource Center.

There are so many options for our students, faculty, and staff to find community here at SDSU. You are welcome to any and all of our community spaces! Visit us!

APIDA Center Highlights: News to Know!

Congratulations to Student Success Fee grant recipients!

Woohoo! Congrats to our amazing student leaders who secured Student Success Fee funding for their amazing projects!

- **Gi Gonzales** got a $10,590 grant to fund an educational field trip to Manzanar National Historic Site. This will be in conjunction with APIDA Center's common reading experience about the Japanese American Incarceration. **Gi** also got a $7500 grant to fund the second annual APIDA Conference.
- **Nadia Hernandez Ruelas** got a $8100 grant to fund an educational field trip to the Museum of Tolerance and the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angelos. **Nadia** also got a $7500 grant to fund the third annual AFE (Allies For Education) 101 Conference, which is a professional development conference for teachers and teacher candidates.
- **Leiana Lepule** got a $7500 grant to fund the second annual APIDA Hometown Heroes speaker series.
- **Krishna Ramamoorthy** got a $7000 grant to fund a hands-on conference about games and gaming.
- **Alexa Lawrence** got a $5000 grant to fund the second annual STEM Education in Action series. **Alexa** also got a $4000 grant to fund the second annual March Mindful Mondays with APIDA Crafts series.

These amazing student leaders dreamed up ideas, applied for grants, and now will make these projects come to life. They will work with APIDA Center, Allies for Education, and SDSU's Math Science Teacher Initiative.

In addition, the following students participated in the review process: **Gi Gonzales, Kaelan Ganzon**, and **Sarah Hoang**. There were many others - Big thank you to all who are involved!

Get ready for a super fun and educational Spring semester! Standby and stay connected for more information.

Did you know about SDSU's Zipcar service?

On Wed, December 1, we ran into some A-LIST (APIDA Leadership, Identity, Scholarship, and Togetherness) residential learning community members. They had just used our Zipcar service to get boba tea. Zipcar is a car-sharing network. Our residential students can access cars at SDSU to go on off-campus adventures. Learn more here: https://bfa.sdsu.edu/campus/parkingtrans/carshare

SDSU offers so many supports and fun features. For example, did you know we have a shuttle that goes to our Imperial Valley campus? Did you know we offer pick-up and drop-off rides at various on-campus locations via the Red & Black Shuttle Service? Take advantage of all these resources!
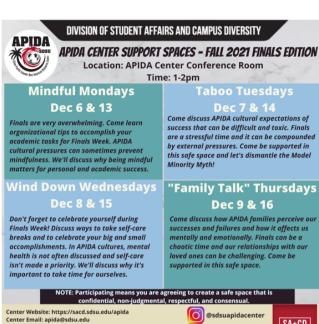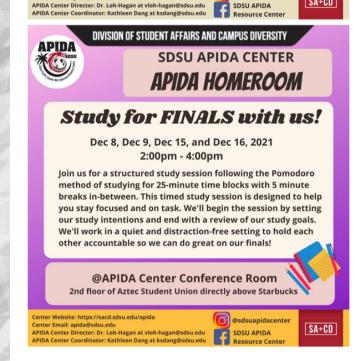
APIDA Flex Alerts

- **Jada Lomibao** is Co-President of the SDSU Chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts. She said, "There aren't enough APIDA folks in the field and I want to change that."

- **Barry Lomibao, Jr.** (Jada's brother) will be performing as part of the [SDSU Javenese Gamelan Ensemble](#) on Monday, December 6th from 6-7pm at Smith Recital Hall.

- Dr. [Mei Zhong](#), Associate Professor in Professional Studies and Fine Arts, has been named the 2021 Outstanding Global Educator. This award recognizes a SDSU faculty member whose teaching innovation promotes global education. She will be recognized at the inaugural Faculty Global Engagement Symposium.

- **Candy Carson** has been appointed Interim Director of Communications Services for Student Affairs and Campus Diversity. Her appointment was effective December 1. She is currently the lead web, digital, and print designer.

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 APIDA Center Events

APIDA Center Support Spaces: Fall 2021 Finals Edition

Location: APIDA Center Conference Room
Mondays through Thursdays from 1-2pm

Get ready for Finals! The struggle is real. Each day, we will focus on a specific topic related to APIDA pressures around final exams and academic success. We want to support you! Come to our support spaces.

APIDA Homeroom: Study for FINALS with us!

Location: APIDA Center
Dec 8, 9, 15, and 16 from 2-4pm
Join us for a structured study session following the Pomodoro method of studying for 25-minute time blocks with 5 minute breaks in-between. This timed study session is designed to help you stay focused and on task. We'll begin the session by setting our study intentions and end with a review of our study goals. We'll work in a quiet and distraction-free setting to hold each other accountable so we can do great on our finals!

Sewing Squad Sew-cials!

Location: APIDA Center
Dec 13 at 4pm
Join the SDSU APIDA Center for our Sewing Squad Sew-cials! Supplies are provided. Make face masks and more.

Opportunities

- On December 4th from 6-10pm, [APSA](#) is hosting their Kinda Sorta Formal event themed, "[The Zooming 20's.](#)" It will take place at the SDSU Alumni Center. It will be a special night with awards, catering, a photo booth, and dancing.

- On December 4th starting at 6pm at Scripps Cottage and Patio, [Allies For Education](#) is hosting their [5th Annual Winter Mix and Mingle](#) party. There will be dancing, snacks, fun silent auction prizes, and much more!

- On December 6th from 2-3pm, [Center of Intercultural Relations](#) is hosting their [Get Lost with Bob Ross](#) event. It will take place in the CIR Living Room at the Aztec Student Union. Participants will follow along to a Bob Ross video to paint a beautiful sunset.

- Registration is now open for the 2022 [Student Research Symposium (SRS)](#) where students will present their research, scholarship, and creative activities from a variety of subjects and disciplines. Registration ends on January 21. Students who register by December 6 will be entered into a raffle to win a $50 Amazon gift card! To register, click [here](#).

- APIA Scholars is offering scholarships for eligible APIDA students pursuing an undergraduate degree. Amounts range from $2,500-$20,000. Applications are due January 26, 2022. Click [here](#) to learn more.

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