

IMPACT AAPI

Our grant period is scheduled to end September 30, 2010, so we're in the process of transitioning grant efforts into sustainable college activities that can continue even after the grant concludes:

CURRICULUM

LinC classes

This quarter's grant-supported LinC class, LART 211, is the second time it's being offered. We are working to package the course materials so that the two grant-supported LinC classes can easily be taught after the grant ends.

Insights and best practices learned from our two grant-sponsored classes will be represented at this summer's 3-day "LinC Institute", during which LinC shares findings with campus staff and faculty.

New Pacific Islander Studies Class

A Pacific Islander & Filipino American studies course outline has been approved by the curriculum committee and can be offered starting 2010-2011:

ICS 90 - Introduction to Pacific Islander History & Culture (4 units)

An interdisciplinary introduction to and survey of the Pacific Islander/American in the United States.

Emphasis will be placed on history and contemporary issues in Pacific Islander/American communities.

An examination of intergroup (e.g. Native Hawaiian, Samoan American, Tongan, Filipina/o American, Native American, Chamorro, Fijian, Maori, Tahitian; Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, etc.) and intra-group challenges within today's ethnic communities.

STUDENT SUCCESS

New Student Intake Protocol Results

The end of Winter Quarter marks the end of our New Student Intake Protocol, designed to measure and improve fall-to-winter persistence rates for targeted AAPI students. We are working with Institutional Researcher Lourdes Del Rio-Parent to collect data and analyze results.

Outreach for Summer Bridge & First Year Experience 2010

Outreach and enrollment for Summer Bridge with 50 targeted AAPI students is underway. Student Success Coordinator Mark Fu is collaborating with Student Success & Retention Services (SSRS) on outreach efforts. After the grant ends, the 50 targeted students will continue on to First Year Experience (FYE).

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Partnership with Office of Staff & Organizational Development

We're exploring possible collaborations with the office of Staff & Organizational Development that will make it easier (and more affordable) for faculty and staff who work with AAPIs and other underserved groups on campus to stay up to date on pedagogical research.

IMPACT AAPI Instructor Support Group

Facilitated by APALI Assistant Director Jim Nguyen, our Instructor Support Group is a chance for instructors, counselors, and staff who work with students from our grant-supported classes to share insights and resources, discuss best practices and collaborations.

INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING

Partnership with De Anza Library

We're working with librarian Lena Chang from the campus library to build a collection of books and films by or about AAPIs and other underserved groups, their cultures and history. The IMPACT AAPI collection will be housed in the library, available to all students and staff.

MCC Student Resource Center & California History Center

Project Assistant Noemi Teppang has been working with Tom Izu, Director of the California History Center (CHC), on building infrastructure for an oral history program and lab, as well as planning a student resource center and work lab for the Multicultural Center (MCC) that will coincide with its renovation this spring, summer, and fall. The CHC lab will be available this fall, and the MCC lab in Winter 2011.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, March 15, 2010

Find Your Elements: A First Year (Cultural) Experience

4pm - 7pm, Visual & Performing Arts Center

An evening of cultural performances by the students of First Year Experience (FYE), to benefit the First Year Experience program and the Jean Miller First Year Experience Scholarship.

Thursday, March 18, 2010

Instructor Support Group Meeting

El Clemente Room, Campus Center

12:30pm - 1:30pm

The IMPACT AAPI Instructor Support Group meets twice a quarter. At this meeting, IMPACT AAPI instructors, counselors, and staff will continue their discussion on what issues they're seeing with students, ideas on how to deal with the issues, ideas for future events/meetings and resources, and going over readings on Pacific Islander history and culture.

Monday, April 5, 2010

Spring IMPACT AAPI LinC class:

"Remembering, Representing, Remixing: Telling the World Who We Are"

Asian Pacific American Voices in Context

EWRT 1A-1YD (5 units) + ICS/ELIT 24-1YD (4 units)

12:30pm - 2:15pm, MTWR

Instructors: Marshall Hattori and Marilyn Patton

This class will be both old and new, historical and experimental, full of opportunities to take risks with support. The class will center on the stories, poems, plays, and films created by immigrants from Vietnam, the Philippines and the islands of the Pacific, and then go beyond to create our own. For more information, contact Anu Khanna: khannaanu@deanza.edu

Saturday, May 22, 2010

New Student & Parent Open House

Student & Community Services Building (SCS)

9am - 1pm

Open House is an annual event that introduces incoming students and their parents to various college programs and services, provides on-site application and placement testing, free academic advising and counseling, and opportunities to interact with De Anza faculty and staff.

IMPACT AAPI's goal for this event is to enroll targeted students in the grant-supported Summer Bridge, as well as to provide language translation services for the event.

If you are interested in volunteering with us, or just want more information, please contact Student Success Coordinator Mark Fu: fumark@deanza.edu

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