# IMPACT AAPI

### WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO ...

### LART 211: HONORING OUR STORY

This Spring Quarter, our first cohort of this grant, LART 211, will begin! This combined reading and writing cohort will be headed by Veronica Avila and Karen Chow. The course materials will include multicultural texts and students will discuss issues of history and identity. In addition, the students of the cohort will be supported by a team of in class mentors, tutors, and an academic advisor.

### IMPACT AAPI TUTOR & MENTOR TRAINING PROGRAM

Phi Theta Kappa's Peers Unite to Learn through Scholarly Exchange (PULSE) is undergoing training to mentor IMPACT's LART 211 class in the Spring quarter. The first training discussed educational challenges of our Pacific Islander, South East Asian, and Filipino students. The next training will focus on defining the mentor role. The mentors will serve as coaches, guiding our IMPACT students through the ins and outs of college life.



De Anza faculty and staff discuss the many issues facing their AAPI students



Christine Chai and De Anza College student facilitators present The Not-So Model Minority: Enhancing the Success for Underserved Asian American Pacific Islander Students at this year's Partners in Learning Conference

### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES...**

## **Second IMPACT AAPI Steering Committee Meeting**

Wed. March 21, 2012 4:00 - 5:00pm MCC Conference Room

Each quarter, IMPACT AAPI meets with a steering committee created to oversee project activities and suggest new directions. Our steering committee includes:

\*Doli Bambhania \*Angela Caballero de Cordero \*Susanne Chan \*Michael Chang \*Stacey Cook \*Christina Espinosa-Pieb \*Tom Izu \*Mae Lee \*Margaret Michaelis \*Rob Mieso \*Mallory Newell \*Edmundo Norte \*Kenneth Perng \*Ronna Phifer-Riche \*Thomas Ray \*Jackie Reza \*Jerry Rosenberg \*Rowena Tomaneng \*Josephine Villanueva



Naming Stereotypes activity



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# STAFF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES...

### **REVIEW of PAST EVENTS**

IMPACT AAPI and Staff Development have partnered to offer a series of "Fly By" Workshops titled, Ocean's of Impact: You & Good Pedagogy. Led by Jim Nguyen and Alerie Flandez, the workshops present staff and faculty with the opportunity to deconstruct the model minority myth by introducing them to issues found by South East Asian (SEA), Filipino, and Pacific Islander college students. These sessions began in January and each session has been attended by 20-30 faculty and staff from various departments across campus.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Oceans of Impact: De Anza Faculty Interviews Wed. April 18, 2012 12:30-1:20pm Campus Center, Conference Room B

### Oceans of Impact: Comprehensive Showing of All Four Videos

Fri. May 4, 2012 9:00am-1:00pm Campus Center, Conference Room B

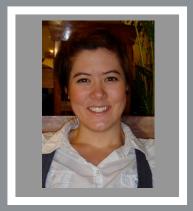


"Fly By" Workshop: Oceans of Impact presenters Jim Nguyen and Alerie Flandez

# PAST and FUTURE CONFERENCES & FUTURE PRESENTATIONS...

This last quarter, IMPACT AAPI was present at the February Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE) Conference in San Francisco. Appropriate for the conference's theme, "Transforming and Leading," We presented to fellow AANAPISIs about the grant project. As a result, IMPACT AAPI is now considered a model program for student success. We presented on the theme of AAPI student success at the League of Innovation in the community college in Philadelphia, PA. IMPACT staff will also be heard at the Association of Asian American Studies (AAAS) Conference in Washington, D.C. this April.

### **NEW HAND ON DECK!**



Casie Wheat has recently joined the IMPACT AAPI team as the Project Assistant. She also works with Staff Development and helps with the Requisite Plan: Course Equivalency Evaluation. She is a recent graduate of San Jose State's Educational Counseling (EDCO) program, UC Berkeley alumni, and also a former De Anza College student. Contact Casie at: wheatcasie@fhda.edu