

IMPACT AAPI

In December 2010, IMPACT AAPI submitted its progress report for year two of the grant to the U.S. Department of Education. As reported, IMPACT AAPI has accomplished or exceeded all grant goals and objectives: increased student access to college services, improved student persistence, college readiness in English, and course success for under-served AAPI students.

In preparation for the post-grant period, IMPACT AAPI continues to focus on sustainability efforts, particularly in the areas below:

INSTRUCTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY

Piloting Silicon Valley Documentation Project

The Silicon Valley Documentation Project (SVDP) is a new initiative of the Institute for Community and Civic Engagement (ICCE) and the California History Center (CHC). Its aim is to gather multimedia stories and information about the people, places, history, culture, and organizations of Silicon Valley.

IMPACT AAPI has partnered with ICCE and CHC to pilot the SVDP with students from IMPACT AAPI's spring 2011 EWRT 1A + ICS/ELIT 24 class, taught by Marshall Hattori and Karen Chow.

Students will use VoiceThread, a collaborative multimedia platform. The results will be archived for future students, staff, and faculty to supplement or access for class use.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Staff Development Sustainability Project

IMPACT AAPI has partnered with the Office of Staff Development and the Technology Resources Group to create a modular workshop series on our targeted AAPI groups and factors in their educational success. The series will include immigration history, cultural backgrounds, interviews with students from our targeted AAPI populations, and Q&A with teachers who have worked with these groups.

IMPACT AAPI & AANAPISI NATIONALLY

Some of our sustainability projects relate to the national momentum, interest, and activity related to AAPIs and higher education. The federal AANAPISI program has helped promote national dialogue and advocacy in support of greater research on and attention to serving underserved AAPI students across the country:

IMPACT AAPI presents at APAHE

IMPACT AAPI participated in a panel entitled "AANAPISI: What Are They and What Are They Doing?" at the Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE) conference in San Francisco. There was much interest in the design of IMPACT AAPI and its outcomes to date since De Anza's AANAPISI was one of the six inaugural awardees of the two-year grant in 2008.

Partnership with APIASF

In August 2010, the Asian Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) recognized De Anza College's designation as an AANAPISI (Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution) to offer five scholarships of \$2,500 each to first-time college students at De Anza as part of its new APIASF/Walmart Foundation Scholars Program. The five scholars included two students from IMPACT AAPI classes.

In early 2011, the *APIASF Walmart Foundation Scholar Video Project* was developed as a way to help document the student's experience on campus and how the scholarship program has helped support their goal of obtaining a post-secondary degree. The video project will provide a vehicle for students to share their thoughts and experiences with a broader audience at the APIASF Higher Education Summit in Washington D.C. in June. Ultimately, the videos will contribute to the national dialogue on the experience of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in higher education and will be considered in the national discussion to strategize ways to better support students to increase college completion. De Anza's IMPACT AAPI will be a participant at the summit and an AANAPISI representative.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 4 - Friday, June 24, 2011

Spring IMPACT AAPI class: "Remembering, Representing, Remixing: Telling the World Who We Are" - Asian Pacific American Voices in Context

EWRT-001A-1YD + ELIT-024.-01D

MTWTh 12:30pm - 2:20pm, Room S-71

Instructors: Marshall Hattori & Karen Chow

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.

Thursday, April 7, 2011

Pacific Islander & Filipino Student Conference/Outreach Day

8:30am - 1:30pm, Campus Center, Conference Rooms A & B

This winter and spring, De Anza College is outreaching to local high school students by hosting student conferences for incoming students from various under-represented groups. The conferences include discussions about college opportunities and tours of De Anza campus programs and services.

The student conference on April 7 will focus on Pacific Islanders and Filipinos. We encourage faculty and staff to welcome the students or volunteer. For details, please contact Rob Mieso in the Office of Outreach at miesorob@deanza.edu.

Thursday, May 12, 2011

Staff Development Event: Decolonization & Filipino Indigenous Core Values

3 - 7 pm, Campus Center, Conference Room A

This workshop takes a closer look at educational, cultural, social, and economic issues among Filipino American students, including the colonial mentality and historical context, the process of decolonization, how faculty and staff can engage these issues, and materials that can be included in the curriculum.

Presented by Elenita Strobel, Associate Professor and Chair of American Multicultural Studies Department at Sonoma State University.

Wednesday, May 18 - Saturday, May 21, 2011

Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS) Conference

Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA

The Association for Asian American Studies (AAAS) was founded in 1979 for the purpose of advancing the highest professional standard of excellence in teaching and research in the field of Asian American Studies.

AAAS holds an annual conference. Pre-registration rates are available before April 1. Visit the AAAS website for details: www.aaastudies.org

At this year's conference, IMPACT AAPI instructor Karen Chow will be serving on the AAAS book committee and leading a roundtable discussion. Funds may be available to subsidize additional staff & faculty who wish to attend. Please contact the Project Director, Mae Lee, at leemae@deanza.edu, or see our website for details: www.deanza.edu/impact-aapi/conferences.html

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