IMPACT AAPI Steering Committee Quarterly Meeting

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Initiatives to Maximize Positive academic Achievement and Cultural Thriving Focusing on Asian American and Pacific Islander students at De Anza College

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Introductions

Please share your:

- Name
- Title
- How you are affiliated with the grant



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Introduction to Grant Project

On October 1, 2011, De Anza College was awarded a 5-year, \$2 million AANAPISI (Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution) grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

- De Anza's 2nd AANAPISI grant
- 1st one, called IMPACT AAPI, ran from October 2008 September 2011

• Focused on AAPI subgroups historically underrepresented in higher education: Filipinos, Pacific Islanders, Southeast Asians



Introduction to Grant Project

- Previous grant's activities included 2 types of class sequences:
- 3-quarter Learning in Communities (LinC) sequence that brought students from precollegiate English to college-level
- offering of First Year Experience (FYE) with culturally-specific content

Features:

- team-taught cohort sequences
- built-in student services (counseling, etc.)
- culturally-specific content



Introduction to Previous Grant

Results from pilot grant project:

- **Improved course success rates**: Course success rates in targeted groups in grant-supported sections averaged above the overall course success rates of the college during those terms.
- **Improved persistence:** AAPI students in our activities had much higher persistence rates than students in the same AAPI group without the protocol.
- **Improved college readiness:** Filipinos in grantsupported pre-collegiate English sections persisted to college-level English at a much higher rate than all De Anza students or all Filipinos at De Anza.

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Introduction to Grant Project

This grant's activities build on previous success:

- serve same groups: Filipino, Pacific Islander, Southeast Asian
- cohort sequences
- built-in student services
- culturally-specific content

New Areas of Focus:

- closing gap in transfer rate between targeted groups and higher-achieving AAPI groups
- offer three curricular pathways to help students meet transfer requirements in English and Math, generate interest in STEM



Project Overview

- A. **New Learning Community sequences** to improve transfer Pathways:
 - Readiness and Success in College-Level English (LinC)
 - Readiness and Success in College-Level Math and English (CREM)
 - Preparation in STEM ((MPS)

To support our curricular pathways:

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- B. **Development of Digital Modules** for Academic & Student Services Support
- C. New Student Mentor/Classroom Success Liaisons (CSLs) to provide In-Class Support
- D. Faculty/Staff Professional Development to Improve AAPI Student Success
- E. Increased AAPI Resource Development Capacity

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Project Overview: 5-year plan

Yr	Overall	Curriculum	Digital Modules	Student Mentors	AAPI Resource Development	Staff Dev	Monitoring, Evaluation
1	Lead staff meetings; assess quarterly reports	Identify faculty; prep for curricular pathways	Create English module	Create CSL training class; implement in spring	Hire specialist to create Resource Development Plan; begin training	Deliver staff developm ent workshops , lead best practice	External evaluator to create assessment plan. Set up cohort tracking and online time/ activity reporting.
2	Study internal & external evals. Yr 1 report.	Offer all 3 curricular pathways; develop CREM pathway syllabi	Implement English module; create Math module	Offer ICS 78 to train CSLs; place trained CSLs in LinC	Assess donor- tracking software, expand database. Est. online giving capacity.	discussion meetings, support conferenc e travel, hold trainings	Assess & evaluate classes and eventually also effects of modules and other services. Ext.
3	Lead mtgs, plan improveme nts based on evals. Yr 2 report.	Summer outreach; offer pathways w/ career planning, ed plans	Implement Eng & Math modules; create Student Svcs mod	pathways; assess, make improvem ents, offer	Build ties to extnl groups. Create reference library, templates for seeking funding.	on targeted AAPIs,	evaluator produces annual research & evaluation report. Faculty/staff continue
4	Yr 3 report.	STEM transfer pathway dev'mnt; implement cultural aspects into services/ learning support	Track impact of all 3 modules; assess and refine	again. In Yr 4, create sustainabil ity plan.	Activity over. APALI continues to track patterns of increased donations & scholarships for AAPI student		continue quarterly time/activity reporting. Complete final evaluation report.
5	Yr 4 report and final report	Implement sustainability plans	Institutionalize modules	Implement sustainabil ity plan.	programs. Report 5-year outcomes.	implement sustainabil ity plan	

Project Overview: Year One

Qtr	Overall	Curriculum	Digital Modules	Student Mentors (CSLs)	Staff Development	AAPI Resource Dev	Monitoring, Evaluation, Reports
Fall 2011	Hire person nel & service s; create SC	Identify faculty & staff, schedule classes, train staff on best practices	Begin writing English modules	Develop CSL syllab us; coordi nate place ment	Develop schedule for trainings	Contract specialist to conduct organization al assessment	Contract External Evaluator; review baseline & objectives; set up reporting capacity
Win 2012	Lead staff mtgs, assess quarter ly report		Produce English modules; Catalyst trainings	Enroll CSL candidate s in training course	Offer trainings on targeted AAPIs	Specialist creates Resource Dev plan; begin training	Staff create progress reports. Set up cohort tracking
Spr 2012	- report, plan needed change s	LART 211 Develop Yr 2 courses for CREM & MPS	Train faculty to use English modules	Offer CSL training course w/ placement s in LinC	Lead best practices discussions; visit other AANAPISIs	Action plan based on recommend ations	Evaluate LART 211. Modify for improvement.
Sum 2012		APALI Outreach & enroll targeted students for all 3 pathways	Work with IT team to put them online	Outreach to targeted groups	Attend relevant academic conferences	APALI	Assess & evaluate spring & summer LinC classes.

Update: Administrative

In process to hire Administrative Assistant, Counselor

- In process of seeking RFPs for External Evaluator
- Building up infrastructure for documentation, communications, etc.



Update: Curriculum

- Met w/ deans to discuss faculty for curricular pathways
- LinC training on Dec. 1 led by Kristin Skager & Anu Khanna
 - Shared best practices for teaching an AAPI cohort, culled from experience
- Anu to hold a faculty outreach event in January (speed networking/dating)



Update: Staff Development

Staff development workshop series:

- Oceans of Impact: You + Good Pedagogy
- 4-part series offered through Winter Quarter
- Focuses on targeted AAPI groups



Additional Discussion

Feedback, thoughts, ideas about what was presented today

Thoughts on grant project overall

Ways you can contribute:

- Contacts, networks (for staffing, outreach, independent contractors)
- Suggestions for best practices
- Ideas for your activities, resources that the grant could potentially help with