



## AANAPISI Grant Annual Report

Grant 2 Year Five (Fall 2020 through Summer 2021)

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# ***Arise Year 5 Grant 2 (2020/21) Data Reports***

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# AANAPISI Grant Objectives Outcomes

Objective 1a	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
The number of Arise students Completing English 1A will increase by 5% each year.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	43%	Total N	English 1A	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	43%	358	155	43%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	48%	632	345	55%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	53%	890	540	61%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	58%	1,133	797	70%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	63%	1,355	1,016	75%	Yes
Objective 1b	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
The number of Arise students Completing Math 71 will increase by 5% each year.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	38%	Total N	Math 71+	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	38%	358	136	38%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	43%	632	279	44%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	48%	890	437	49%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	53%	1,133	632	56%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	58%	1,355	910	67%	Yes
Objective 2	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
The number of Arise students successfully completing math coursework following program interventions will increase by 5% each year.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	37%	Total N	Completers	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	37%	358	134	37%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	42%	632	243	38%	No
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	47%	890	507	57%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	52%	1,133	683	60%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	57%	1,355	946	70%	Yes
Objective 3	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
Upon completion of English language development interventions, the number of Arise ELL students successfully completing their AMLA and English courses will increase by 5% each year.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	58%	Total N	Completers	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	58%	98	57	58%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	63%	160	108	68%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	68%	171	124	73%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	73%	319	261	82%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	78%	386	320	83%	Yes
Objective 4	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
Increase the number of Arise students who graduate/transfer by 5% each year.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)		Total N	Graduates	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	18%	358	66	18%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	23%	632	169	27%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	28%	890	330	37%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	33%	1,133	487	43%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	38%	1,355	690	51%	Yes
Objective 5	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
80% of Arise students will complete an educational plan, documenting their career goals and courses needed to graduate/transfer within two semesters of joining the program.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	80%	Total N	Ed Plans	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		358	321	90%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		632	562	89%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		890	803	90%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		1,133	1,017	90%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		1,355	1,322	98%	Yes

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Objective 6	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
70% of Arise students will complete English writing and math placement tests within two semesters of joining the program.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	<a href="#">Baseline (2016-17)</a>	70%	Total N	Count	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		358	347	97%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		340	295	87%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		116	111	96%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		236	220	93%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		156	135	87%	Yes
Objective 7	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
70% of Arise students will participate in financial literacy programming.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	<a href="#">Baseline (2016-17)</a>	70%	Total N	Count	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		358	22	6%	No
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		632	89	14%	No
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		890	101	11%	No
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		1,133	101	9%	No
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		1,355	199	15%	No
Objective 8	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
70% of new Arise students will complete 70% of their Guided Pathways checklist of tasks within one year of program enrollment.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	<a href="#">Baseline (2016-17)</a>	70%	Total N	Count	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		169	139	82%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		340	246	72%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		116	84	72%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		236	168	71%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		156	119	76%	Yes
Objective 9	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
70% of Arise students who participate in program activities will self-report an enhanced sense of identity and confidence in their abilities to achieve their academic goals.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	<a href="#">Baseline (2016-17)</a>	70%	Total N	Count	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		115	110	96%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		73	67	92%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		100	97	97%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		153	150	98%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		28	25	89%	Yes
Objective 10a	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
Create at least five professional development activities that promote cultural responsiveness and best practices in working with AANAPI students.	Year	Target	Actuals		Target Met?	
	<a href="#">Baseline (2016-17)</a>	5	Total N	Grand Total		
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		4	4	Yes	
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		7	11		
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		8	19		
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		3	22		
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		5	27		
Objective 10b	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress			
70% of College personnel participating in grant-funded professional development will self-report increased awareness, understanding, and will attempt to implement one new strategy in working with AANAPI students.	Year	Target	Actuals			Target Met?
	<a href="#">Baseline (2016-17)</a>	70%	Total N	Count	Percent	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)		3	3	100%	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)		7	6	86%	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)		6	5	83%	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)		3	3	100%	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)		5	5	100%	Yes

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Objective 11	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress	
Complete the grant evaluation plan on a semi-annual and annual basis by tracking effectiveness of various intervention strategies.	Year	Target	Actuals	Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	Annual Data	Completed	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	1	1	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	1	1	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	1	1	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	1	1	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	1	1	Yes
Objective 12	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress	
At least two focus groups of AANAPI students will be held each year.	Year	Target	Actuals	Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	Annual Data	Count	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	2	1	No
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	2	4	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	2	16	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	2	7	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	2	2	Yes
Objective 13	Performance Measures and Timelines		Annual Progress	
Compile research data and survey data annually to measure improvement in retention, course pass rates, and graduation/transfer.	Year	Target	Actuals	Target Met?
	Baseline (2016-17)	Annual Data	Grand Total	
	Year 1 (2016-2017)	15	15	Yes
	Year 2 (2017-2018)	18	33	Yes
	Year 3 (2018-2019)	20	53	Yes
	Year 4 (2019-2020)	17	70	Yes
	Year 5 (2020-2021)	22	92	Yes

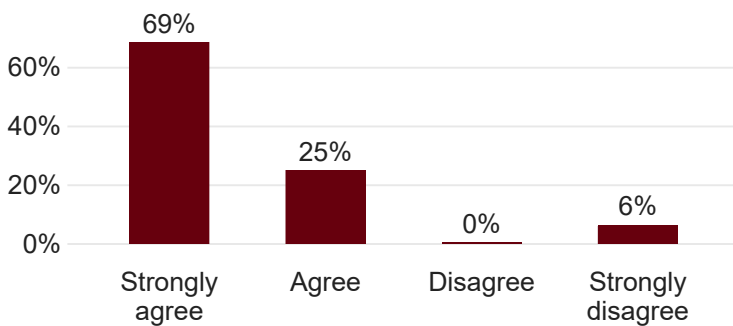


## Welcome Back Survey Fall 2020 Results

**16 students in attendance completed surveys at the Welcome Back Event. Their responses are reported below.**

**By attending this Welcome Back Event...**

**I feel more motivated academically.**



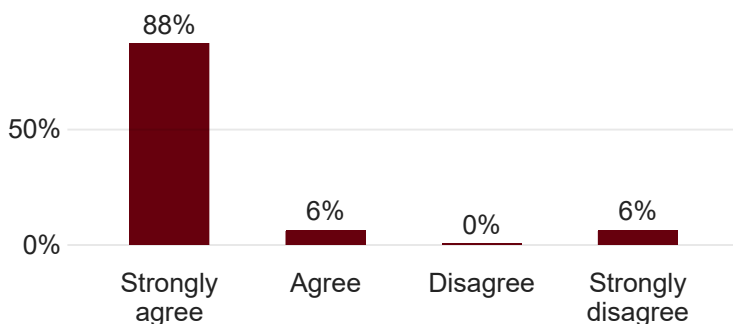
Level of Agreement	Choice Count
Strongly agree	69% 11
Agree	25% 4
Disagree	0% 0
Strongly disagree	6% 1
Total	16

● Percentage

69% of the students completing the survey, "Strongly Agreed" that they felt more motivated academically by attending the Welcome Back Event. An additional 25% selected "Agree" as their answer choice.

**By attending this Welcome Back Event...**

**I know more about upcoming events.**



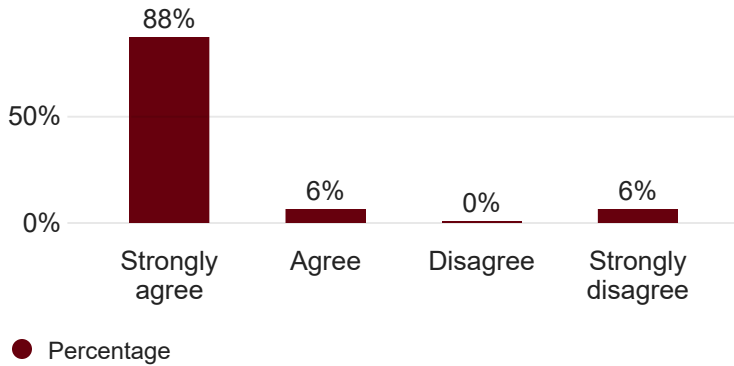
Level of Agreement	Choice Count
Strongly agree	88% 14
Agree	6% 1
Disagree	0% 0
Strongly disagree	6% 1
Total	16

● Percentage

94% of the students completing the survey, either "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that they knew more about upcoming events by attending the Welcome Back Event.

## By attending this Welcome Back Event...

I know more about available resources.

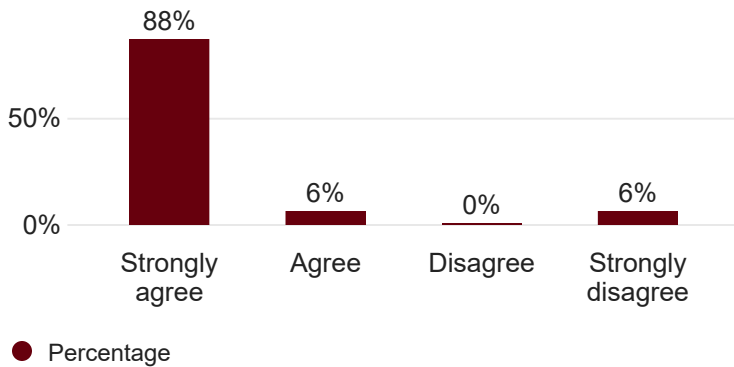


Field	Choice Count
Strongly agree	88% 14
Agree	6% 1
Disagree	0% 0
Strongly disagree	6% 1
Total	16

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## By attending this Welcome Back Event...

I feel more connected to Mt. SAC.

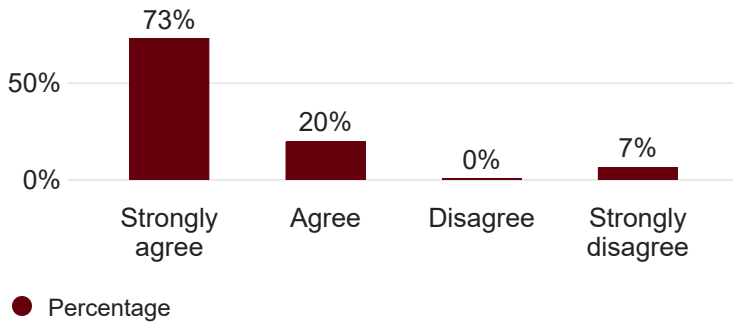


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## The Arise Program Has...

helped me feel more self-confident about achieving my academic goals

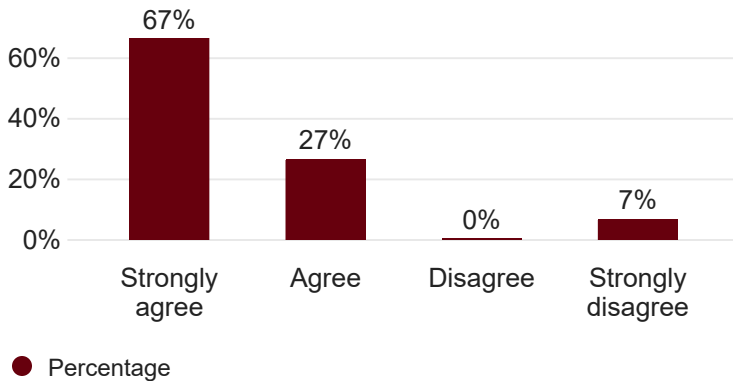


Level of Agreement	Percentage	Choice Count
Strongly agree	73%	11
Agree	20%	3
Disagree	0%	0
Strongly disagree	7%	1
Total		15

73% of the students completing the survey, "Strongly Agreed" that the Arise Program has helped them feel more self-confident about achieving their academic goals. An additional 20% selected "Agree" as their answer choice.

## The Arise Program Has...

helped me understand myself better.



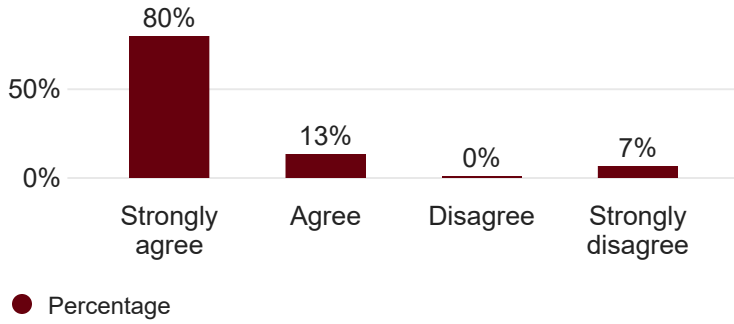
Level of Agreement	Percentage	Choice Count
Strongly agree	67%	10
Agree	27%	4
Disagree	0%	0
Strongly disagree	7%	1
Total		15

93% of the students completing the survey, either "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that the Arise Program has helped them understand themselves better.



## The Arise Program Has...

provided a place at Mt. SAC I feel I belong.

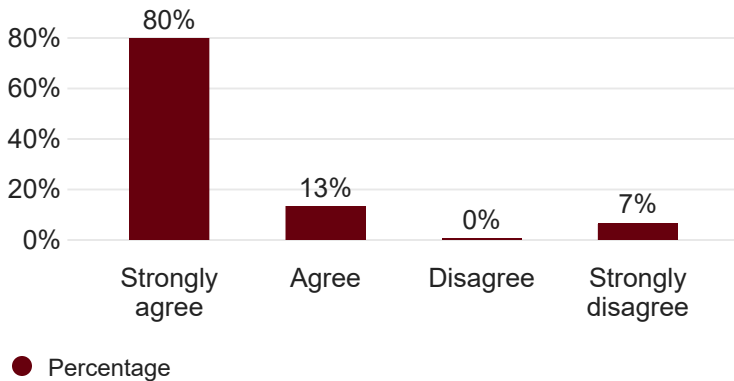


Level of Agreement	Choice Count
Strongly agree	80% 12
Agree	13% 2
Disagree	0% 0
Strongly disagree	7% 1
Total	15

80% of the students completing the "Strongly Agreed" that the Arise Program has provided a place at Mt. SAC they feel they belong. 13% selected "Agree" as their response.

## The Arise Program Has...

supported my academic needs.



Level of Agreement	Choice Count
Strongly agree	80% 12
Agree	13% 2
Disagree	0% 0
Strongly disagree	7% 1
Total	15

93% of the students completing the survey, either "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that the Arise Program has supported their academic needs.

## What do you hope to gain from participating in the Arise program?

To have a community at Mt.Sac, to fulfill my academic goals, and figure out my major. learn more about careers

I hope to gain a sense of support from those who I can comfortably reach out to and ask questions. I also hope that by participating in the ARISE events, I can develop some social skills and ultimately learn how to interact with others without shying away or feeling uncomfortable.

I just happy to part of the arise

more sources and supports

To meet new people and to be a part of the arise community.

Since this is supposed to be my final year, I primarily just need help transferring. That's my first priority.

Show the motivation toward a person whose willing to join

I hope to gain network.

Meet new people

N/A

Community and I got that! Thank you

N/A

Friends and great experiences!

N/A

Help with personal and academic challanges.

N/A

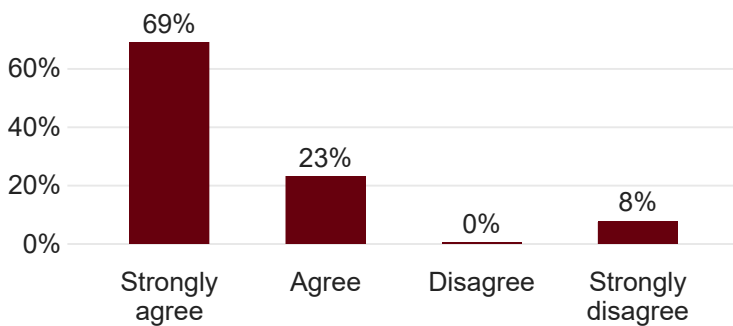


## Welcome Back Survey Spring 2021 Results

**13 students in attendance completed surveys at the Welcome Back Event. Their responses are reported below.**

**By attending this Welcome Back Event...**

**I feel more motivated academically.**



**Level of Agreement**

**Choice Count**

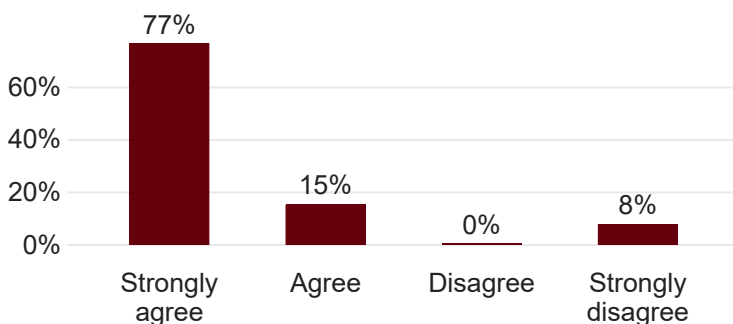
Strongly agree	69%	9
Agree	23%	3
Disagree	0%	0
Strongly disagree	8%	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>13</b>

● Percentage

69% of the students completing the survey, "Strongly Agreed" that they felt more motivated academically by attending the Welcome Back Event. An additional 23% selected "Agree" as their answer choice.

**By attending this Welcome Back Event...**

**I know more about upcoming events.**



**Level of Agreement**

**Choice Count**

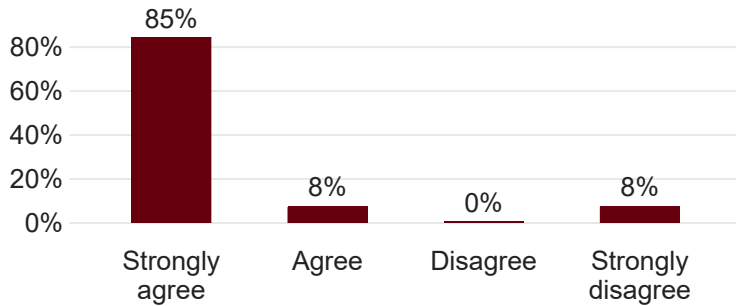
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Strongly disagree	8%	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>13</b>

● Percentage

92% of the students completing the survey, either "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that they knew more about upcoming events by attending the Welcome Back Event.

## By attending this Welcome Back Event...

### I know more about available resources.



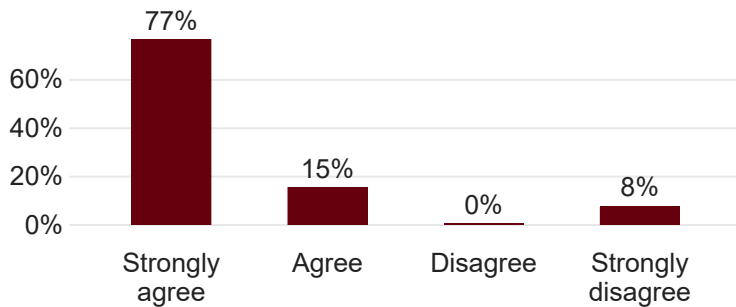
● Percentage

Field	Choice Count
Strongly agree	85% 11
Agree	8% 1
Disagree	0% 0
Strongly disagree	8% 1
Total	13

85% of the students completing the survey, "Strongly Agreed" that they know more about available resources by attending the Welcome Back Event. An additional 8% selected "Agree" as their answer choice.

## By attending this Welcome Back Event...

### I feel more connected to Mt. SAC.



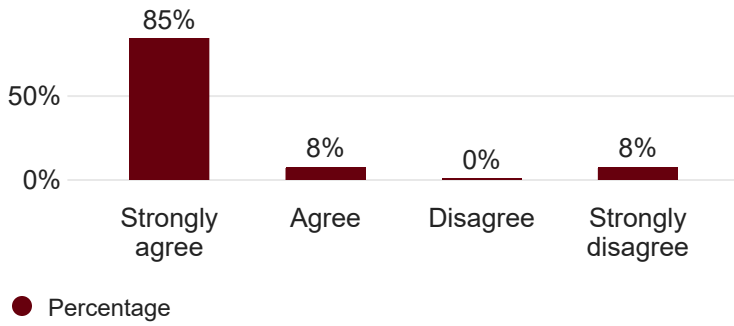
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Total	13

77% of the students completing the survey, "Strongly Agreed" that they know more about available resources by attending the Welcome Back Event. An additional 15% selected "Agree" as their answer choice.

## The Arise Program Has...

helped me feel more self-confident about achieving my academic goals

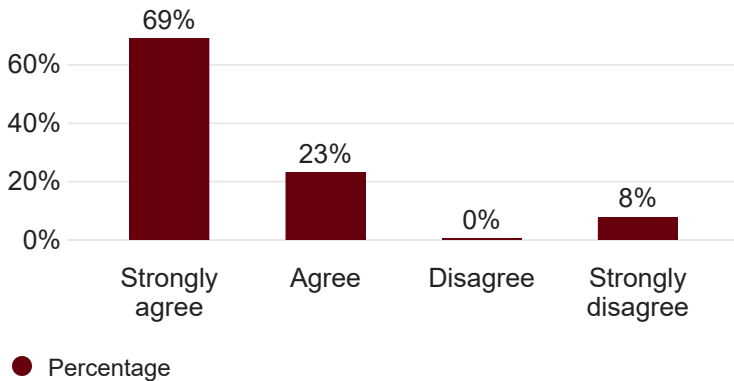


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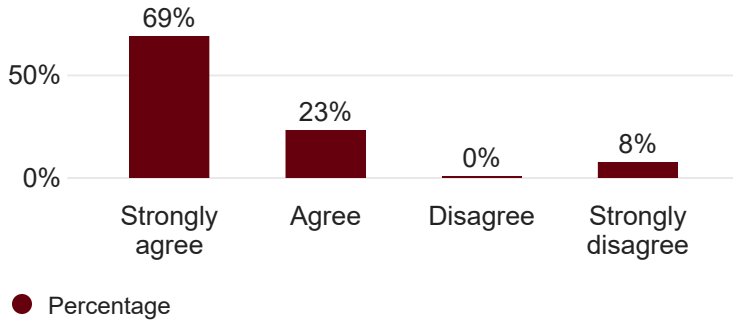


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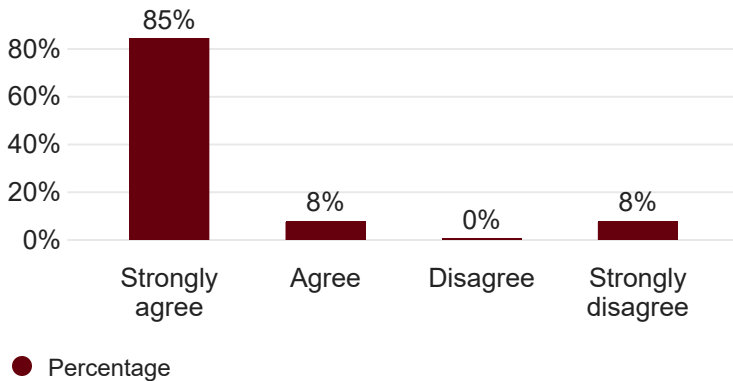


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92% of the students completing the survey, either "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that the Arise Program has supported their academic needs.

## What do you hope to gain from participating in the Arise program?

I can do this.

I hope to gain a community that's helpful and fun.

more personally talking

I hope to gain access and learn about resources, learn more about my culture and identity, as well as connect with other students like me.

being a part of a family and getting plenty of help when I need it.

N/A

a wonderful time

Knowledge

A sense of community!

To be able to be part of a community and a family as well :)

Support and self-growth

Make memorable events that I will remember that I can carry on when I transfer over to CPP.

N/A



# Arise Student ASAP Summary Report

## Fall 2020

The AANAPISI grant at MT. SAC aims to provide a networked link of services and activities to improve the academic achievement and personal development of its students. At the beginning of the spring 2021 term, Arise students who were enrolled in classes during the fall 2020 term, received via email a personal letter updating them on the progress they are making on key success items. An example of this letter as well as summaries of all 513 students are included in this report.

### Summary Results

- 53% of the fall 2020 Arise students earned 100% of the units they attempted that term.
- 63% of the fall 2020 students have earned over 48 units at Mt. SAC.
- 73% of the fall 2020 Arise students had an overall GPA of 2.5 or above for the classes they have taken at Mt. SAC.

*This report is only possible because of the insight and assistance provided by IT, Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Aida Cuenza-Uvas, and the Arise grant staff. When you are referring to the data from this report, please remember to acknowledge that it was done through the Research and Institutional Effectiveness office in collaboration with the aforementioned persons and that it was completed on 2/28/2022.*



Obtaining and maintaining a grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or more is an important part of academic success. As seen in the charts and graphs below, 73% of the fall 2020 Arise students have maintained a GPA of 2.5 or above for all the classes they have taken at Mt. SAC. 82% of the students earned a 2.5 or higher GPA for the fall 2020 term.

**Overall Mt. SAC GPA**

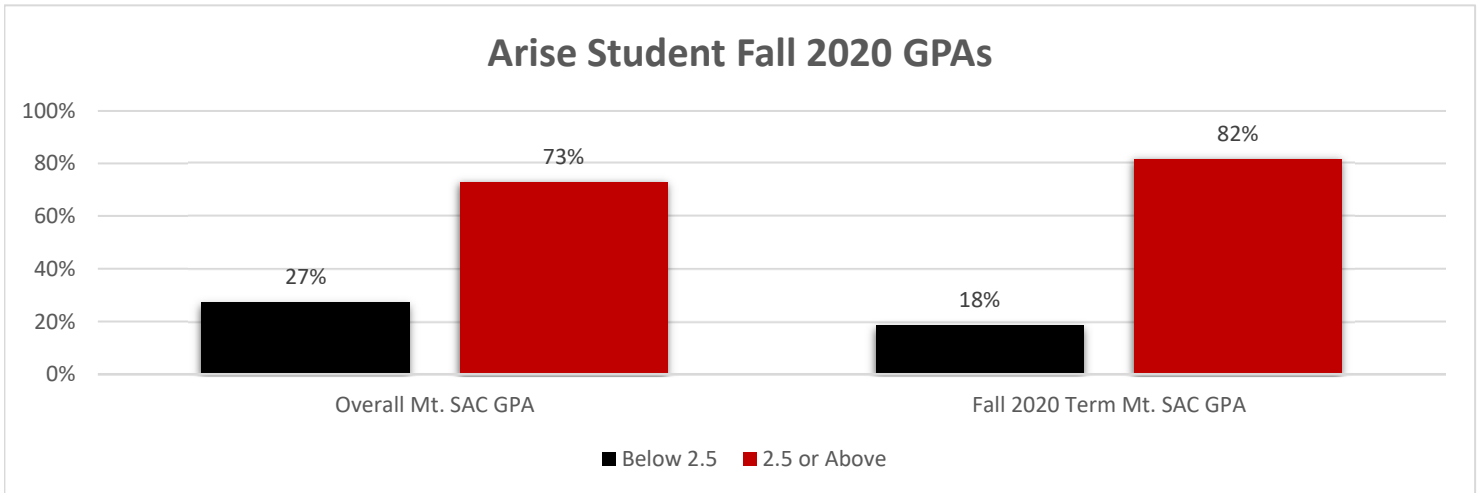
	Count	Percent
Below 2.5	139	27%
2.5 or Above	374	73%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

*Mean Overall GPA*      3.11  
*Median Overall GPA*    3.20

**Fall 2020 Term Mt. SAC GPA**

	Count	Percent
Below 2.5	94	18%
2.5 or Above	419	82%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

*Mean Overall GPA*      2.82  
*Median Overall GPA*    3.31



51% of the fall 2020 ASAP Arise students earned 8 or more units during the term. Overall, 63% of the fall 2020 students have earned 48 units or more at Mt. SAC.

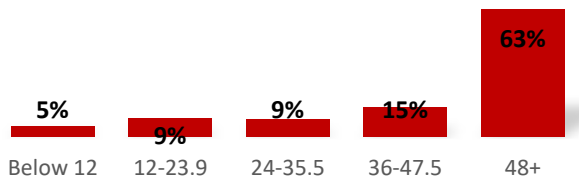
**Overall Mt. SAC Units Earned**

	Count	Percent
Below 12	26	5%
12-23.9	46	9%
24-35.5	44	9%
36-47.5	75	15%
48+	322	63%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

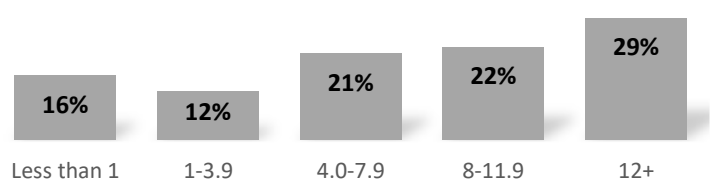
**Term Mt. SAC Units Earned**

	Count	Percent
Less than 1	80	16%
1-3.9	60	12%
4.0-7.9	107	21%
8-11.9	115	22%
12+	151	29%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Overall Units Earned**



**Fall 2020 Units Earned**



53% of the fall 2020 Arise students earned 100% of the units they attempted during that term. Overall, 18% of the fall 2020 ASAP students have earned 100% of the units they have attempted at Mt. SAC.

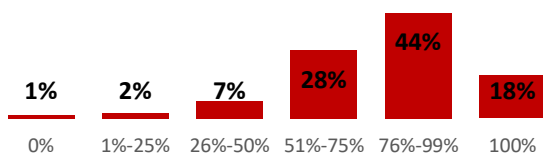
**Percentage of Overall Mt. SAC Units Earned**

	Count	Percent
0%	6	1%
1%-25%	11	2%
26%-50%	36	7%
51%-75%	145	28%
76%-99%	224	44%
100%	91	18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

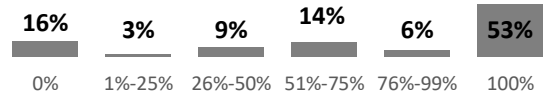
**Percentage of Term Mt. SAC Units Earned**

	Count	Percent
0%	81	16%
1%-25%	13	3%
26%-50%	48	9%
51%-75%	72	14%
76%-99%	29	6%
100%	270	53%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Percentage of Overall Units Earned**



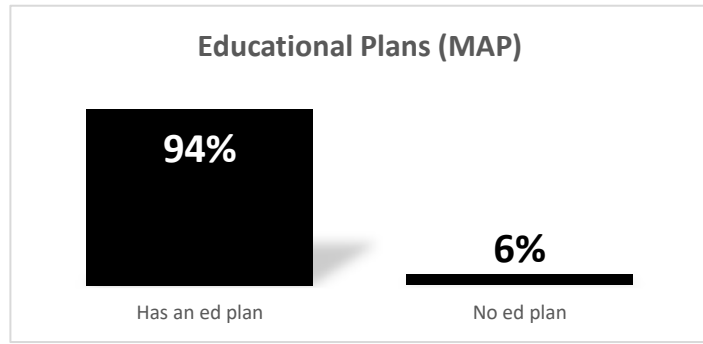
**Percentage of Fall 2020 Units Earned**



### Educational Plans (MAP)

	Count	Percent
Has an ed plan	484	94%
No ed plan	29	6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>	

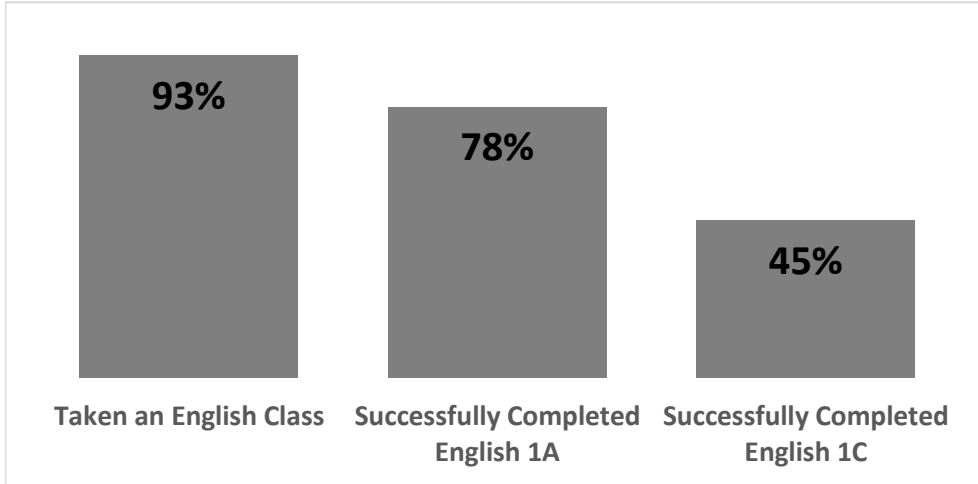
94% of the Arise students have an educational plan on file.



## English Writing Requirements

	Count	Percent
Taken an English Class	475	93%
Successfully Completed English 1A	401	78%
Successfully Completed English 1C	233	45%

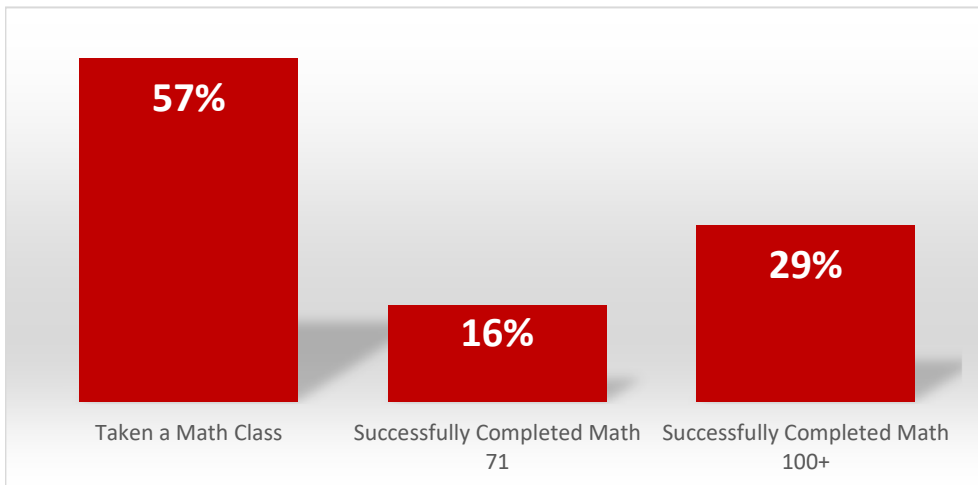
93% of the 513 students have taken an English class. 78% have successfully completed English 1A and 45% an English 1C class.



## Math Requirements

	Count	Percent
Taken a Math Class	290	57%
Successfully Completed Math 71	81	16%
Successfully Completed Math 100+	149	29%

Of the 513 students, 57% of the students have attempted a math class. 16% have successfully completed math 71 and 29% have completed math 100 or higher.





January 11, 2021

Watson DiDonato  
1212 Sphere Haven Rd.  
Dogtown, CA 912121

Hi Watson,

We applaud you for making it through the Fall 2020 semester. With everything going on with online learning and COVID-19, we understand the semester had many ups and downs.

We like to follow-up after every full semester with an Arise Student Action Plan (ASAP!). This is our way of checking in with you and helping you towards your academic goals. ASAP! is your checklist towards your goal. Whether that goal is to build skills, obtain a degree, transfer, etc. we're here to help!

On the reverse side of this letter is your personalize ASAP! I want to commend you on your progress. Remember, progress, not perfection. Please review and make sure your information is accurate.

Also pay special attention to 'Your Actions' column. If it should state 'See an Arise Counselor or Advisor', then please come meet with our team, and bring this document with you. **We'll give you a treat.**

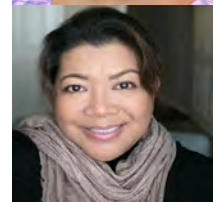
Whatever goal you have in mind, Arise is always available to assist you. We encourage you to meet with a Counselor every semester to stay on track. Also, take advantage of Arise events and program activities. They are always free and lots of fun. For more information on upcoming events, please stop by our virtual front desk.

Visit us at <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/95579734828>

Sincerely, Kare'I Lokeni  
Your Educational Advisor

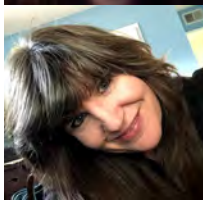
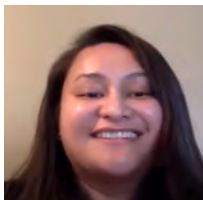
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## Personalized ASAP! Report for Watson DiDonato

Your Arise Peer Mentor is Uale Togotogo

Student ID: A0DOG Your declared major is: Wrld Lang & Global Studies

Keep moving towards graduation and/or transfer ASAP!

Report after posting of Fall 2020 grades.

Student Progress Marker	Recommended Target	Your Profile Status	Your Actions
Mt. SAC Overall GPA*	2.50	4.00	Keep up the good work!
Mt. SAC Overall Units Enrolled/Completed	70% earned	57/57	Keep up the good work!
		100%	
Fall 2020 term GPA	2.50	4.00	Keep up the good work!
Fall 2020 term units Enrolled/Completed	70% earned	12/12	Keep up the good work!
		100%	
<b>English Writing Requirements</b>	English Placement	English Placement or AQ Taken	Placement Complete!
	English Class Taken	Attempted English class	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed English 1A	Passed English 1A	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed English 1C	Passed English 1C	You're on your way to finishing!
<b>Congratulations! Your English Requirements for Transfer are Complete!</b>			
<b>Math Requirements</b>	Math Placement	Math Placement or AQ Taken	Placement Complete!
	Math Class Taken	Attempted math class	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed Math 71		
	Passed Math 100+	Passed Math 100 or Higher	You're on your way to finishing!
<b>Congratulations! Your Math Requirements for Transfer are Complete!</b>			
Ed Plan (Mountie Academic Plan-MAP)	Have an active ed plan on file	Has an Ed Plan	Update your ed plan every semester.

\*\*Mt. SAC GPA is based exclusively on units earned at Mt. SAC.

If you have questions regarding your ASAP! Please come to the Arise Program office to meet with program staff.

Call (909) 274-6622 or stop by the Equity Center, Bldg. 16E.

## All About Arise Students Fall 2020

### Fall 2020 Arise Student Overall GPA



Completed English 1A and/or 1C



Completed Math 100 or higher



# Year 5 Talking Circles Summary

The AANAPISI grant at MT. SAC aims to provide a networked link of services and activities to improve the academic achievement and personal development of its students. In year five, multiple talking circles were held. This report is a summary of those conversations.

**P. Tutasi Asuega** Program Specialist II, Arise Program (AANAPISI), Student Services

## Talking Circles

### Filipinx - Kapamilya

Student conversation included a range of topics from the rise of Asian hate, the continued effects of the pandemic, to what the future of higher education would look like. Students discussed their concern for their Asian communities during the rise of violent acts across the country. One student shared their worry for their grandparent as many attacks were towards the elderly. Discussion continued about the videos they had viewed on social media around Asian hate. This group felt the need to share educational posts on their personal social media outlets, to bring awareness to those they knew. Continued conversation around the pandemic regarding family concern of illness and home life, was felt from each student. Still in remote learning, students discussed their continued struggles as well as their acclamation with online learning. A lot of questions were shared around if and when campus would open would they feel comfortable returning. Students discussed what they felt the inside of a classroom would look like, or if class would be held outdoors. Their resilience to pursue their education was displayed during this conversation. Our observations of this group, although conversation was held on zoom, was their connection still continued with one another. However they did express their hope to meet face-to-face one day.

### Pacific Islander Females

Students discussed home life and time management around their academics, during the pandemic. Still concerned with their home and family responsibilities, students shared what their younger family members' school life looked like virtually. Although humorous, one student shared how hard it was for her mom to help her siblings continue with class virtually. Students shared their experience with zoom fatigue and trying to manage it day-to-day. They also discussed small "champion moments" that they wanted to share, realizing those moments weren't always celebrated during the pandemic. From successful time management to self-care moments, they were able to celebrate each other in this space. Students also discussed the rise of Asian hate and how it was important that the focus was on the Asian community. They shared ways they could bring awareness to help the Asian community. Our observation was the continued diligence of these Pacific Islander females during this pandemic. They not only discussed concern for their families but also concern for the Pacific Islander Males as their peers and community. This group continues to show compassion and empathy.





# Year 5 Arise Program Demographic Report

## Fall 2020 - Summer 2021

The AANAPISI grant at MT. SAC aims to provide a networked link of services and activities to improve the academic achievement and personal development of its students. This report provides an overview of the students who completed Arise program applications during each year of our second grant.

### Year 5 Summary Results

- 82% of all Arise year five students have earned more than 30 units at Mt. SAC.
- 85% of new Arise year four students had educational plans by the end of the summer 2021 term.
- 156 students joined the Arise program in year five.
- 60% of the new year four Arise students received some form of financial aid.

*This report is only possible because of the insight and assistance provided by IT, Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Aida Cuenza-Uvas, and the Arise grant staff. When you are referring to the data from this report, please remember to acknowledge that it was done through the Research and Institutional Effectiveness office in collaboration with the aforementioned persons and that it was completed on 3/1/2022.*

## Arise Program Grant 2 Year 1 Student Profile

	# Students Served	% Students Served
Completed an application for the program	358	100%
Number Enrolled in Credit Courses Fall 2016	285	100%
Number Persisted Fall to Spring	264	93%

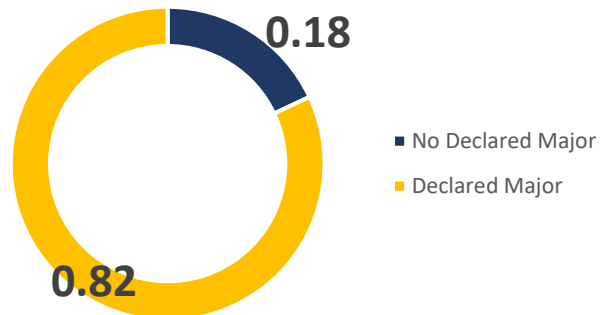
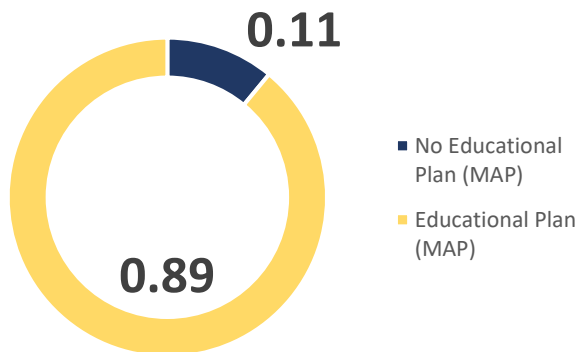
358 students completed applications to be Arise students in year 1 of the second grant. 93% of the fall 2016 applicants persisted to spring 2017.

GPA					
Average Cumulative GPA of Cohort		2.77			
Total Units Completed					
Units Completed	Count	Percent	Percent of Attempted	Count	Percent
0-11.99	52	17%	0 to 25%	13	4%
12-29.99	102	33%	26 to 50%	27	9%
30-59.99	87	28%	51 to 75%	85	27%
60+	66	21%	76 to 100%	185	60%
<b>Total</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>100%</b>

60% of the year 1 students earned 76% to 100% of the units they attempted at Mt. SAC. 50% of these students have earned less than 30 units at Mt. SAC.

MAP		
Number with MAP	317	89%
Declared Major	293	82%
English and Math Completion		
Successfully Completed English 1A	154	43%
Successfully Completed Math 71	187	52%
Successfully Completed Math Course above 71	139	39%

82% of the year 1 students have a declared major and 89% an educational plan (MAP). 43% of these students have already completed English 1A and 52% math 71.



## Students Served During Year 1 (Fall 2016-Summer 2017)

Demographics		
Gender	Count	Percent
Male	187	52%
Female	165	46%
Unknown/Not Declared	4	1%
Race/Ethnicity		
Hispanic, Latino	29%	
Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano	24%	
Central American	3%	
South American	3%	
Hispanic, Other	8%	
Asian Indian	1%	
Asian Chinese	15%	
Asian Japanese	2%	
Asian Korean	3%	
Asian Laotian	1%	
Asian Cambodian	5%	
Asian Vietnamese	22%	
Filipino	6%	
Asian, Other	15%	
Black or African American	3%	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1%	
Pacific Islander Guamanian	2%	
Pacific Islander Hawaiian	8%	
Pacific Islander Samoan	7%	
Pacific Islander, Other	13%	
White	28%	
	Count	Percent
<b>Any API Category</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>77%</b>

52% of the year 1 students have were male and 46% female.

77% of year 1 Arise students marked at least one of the Asian Pacific Islander (API) categories when reporting on their racial/ethnic background.

Financial Aid	Count	Percent
Scholarship or Aid	251	70%
Length of Time in Arise Program	Count	Percent
Previous Grant	60	17%
New to Arise	298	83%

70% of the students received either a scholarship or financial aid.

**Total** **358**

358 students applied to be an Arise student during year 1. Only 175 of these students were return Arise students from our previous grant.

## Arise Program Grant 2 Year 2 Student Profile

		Students Served	
Completed an application for the program		274	
Number Enrolled in Credit Courses Fall 2017		508	
		Count	Percent
Number Persisted Fall to Spring		408	80%

274 students completed applications to be an Arise students in year two of the second grant. 80% of the Arise students enrolled in credit courses during the fall 2017 were enrolled in credit courses spring 2018.

GPA	
Average Cumulative GPA of Cohort	2.80

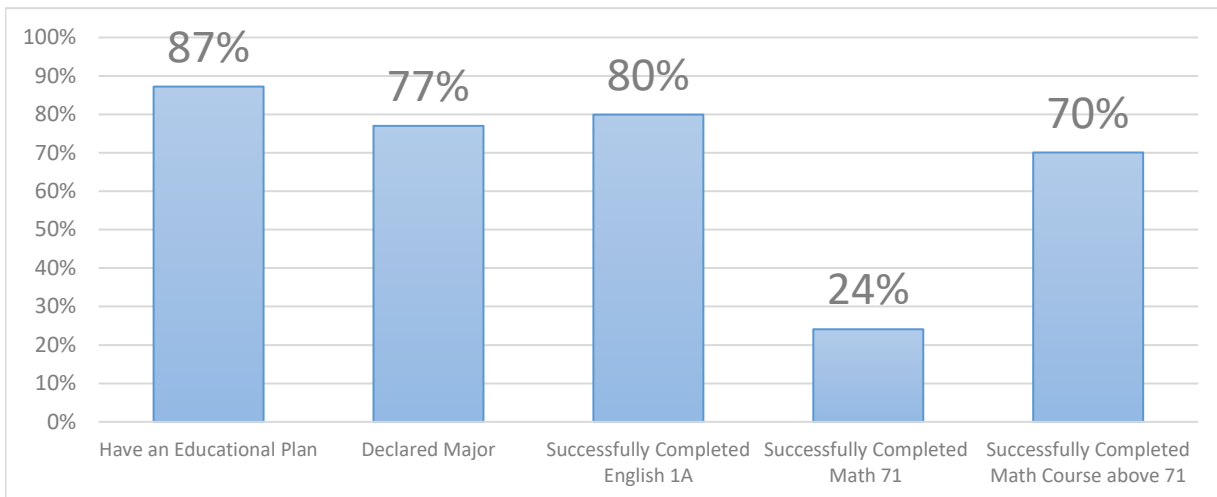
Total Units Completed by Spring 2018					
Units Completed	Count	Percent	Percent of Attempted	Count	Percent
0-11.99	44	10%	0 to 25%	16	4%
12-29.99	110	24%	26 to 50%	3	1%
30-59.99	155	34%	51 to 75%	167	37%
60+	145	32%	76 to 100%	268	59%
<b>Total</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>100%</b>

59% of all Arise year two students earned 76% to 100% of the units they attempted at Mt. SAC. 66% of these students have earned more than 30 units at Mt. SAC.

### New Year Two Arise Students (n=274)

MAP		
Have an Educational Plan	239	87%
Declared Major	211	77%
English and Math Completion		
Successfully Completed English 1A	219	80%
Successfully Completed Math 71	66	24%
Successfully Completed Math Course above 71	192	70%

77% of the new year two students have a declared major and 87% an educational plan (MAP). 80% of these students have already completed English 1A and 70% math 71 or higher.



## New Arise Students Year 2 (Fall 2017-Summer 2018)

Demographics		
Gender	Count	Percent
Male	139	51%
Female	131	48%
Unknown/Not Declared	4	1%
Race/Ethnicity		
Hispanic, Latino	27%	
Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano	21%	
Central American	4%	
South American	1%	
Hispanic, Other	8%	
Asian Indian	3%	
Asian Chinese	16%	
Asian Japanese	1%	
Asian Korean	2%	
Asian Laotian	0%	
Asian Cambodian	1%	
Asian Vietnamese	4%	
Filipino	18%	
Asian, Other	6%	
Black or African American	14%	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	4%	
Pacific Islander Guamanian	0%	
Pacific Islander Hawaiian	3%	
Pacific Islander Samoan	13%	
Pacific Islander, Other	6%	
White	19%	
	Count	Percent
<b>Any API Category</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>77%</b>
Financial Aid	Count	Percent
Scholarship or Aid	189	69%

51% of the year two students have were male and 48% female.

Hispanic, Latino, Filipino, and white were the most commonly selected race/ethnicity categories among new year two students.

77% of new year two Arise students marked at least one of the Asian Pacific Islander (API) categories when reporting on their racial/ethnic background.

69% of the new year two Arise students received either a scholarship or financial aid.

## Arise Program Grant 2 Year 3 Student Profile

Students Served	
Completed an application for the program	251
Number Enrolled in Credit Courses Fall 2018	468
Count	Percent
Number Persisted Fall to Spring	394      84%

251 students completed applications to be an Arise students in year three of the second grant. 84% of the Arise students enrolled in credit courses during the fall 2018 were enrolled in credit courses spring 2019.

GPA	
Average Cumulative GPA of Student Cohort	2.78

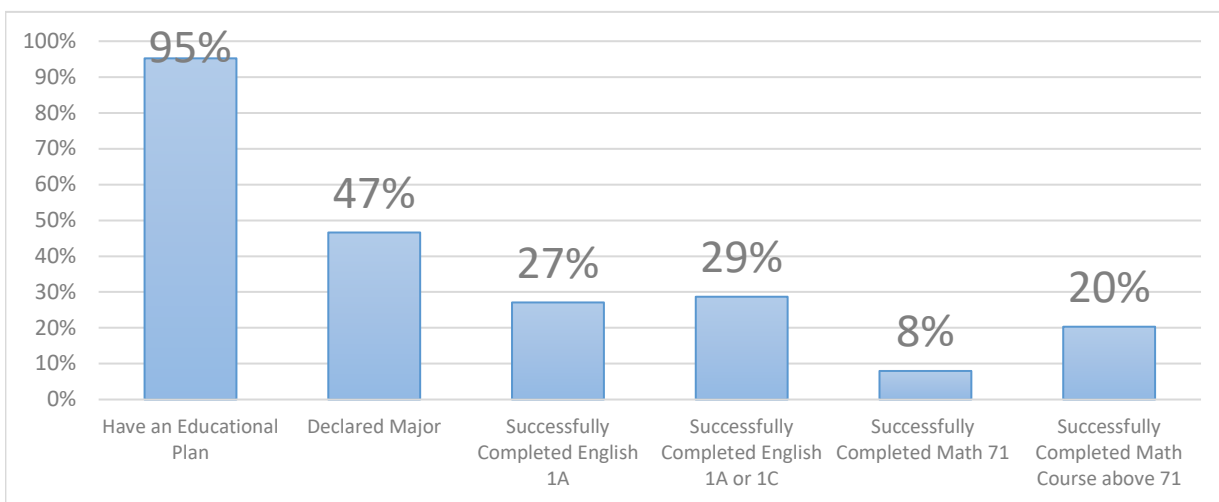
Total Units Completed by Spring 2019					
Units Completed	Count	Percent	Percent of Attempted	Count	Percent
0-11.99	40	9%	0 to 25%	15	3%
12-29.99	90	19%	26 to 50%	36	8%
30-59.99	162	34%	51 to 75%	159	34%
60+	178	38%	76 to 100%	260	55%
<b>Total</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>100%</b>

55% of all Arise year three students earned 76% to 100% of the units they attempted at Mt. SAC. 72% of these students have earned more than 30 units at Mt. SAC.

### New Year Three Arise Students (n=251)

MAP		
Have an Educational Plan	239	95%
Declared Major	117	47%
English and Math Completion		
Successfully Completed English 1A	68	27%
Successfully Completed English 1A or 1C	72	29%
Successfully Completed Math 71	20	8%
Successfully Completed Math Course above 71	51	20%

47% of the new year two students have a declared major and 95% an educational plan (MAP). 27% of these students have already completed English 1A and 20% math 71 or higher.



## New Arise Students Year 3 (Fall 2018-Summer 2019)

Demographics		
Gender	Count	Percent
Male	101	40%
Female	144	57%
Unknown/Not Declared	6	2%
Race/Ethnicity		
Hispanic, Latino	32%	
Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano	25%	
Central American	8%	
South American	1%	
Hispanic, Other	9%	
Asian Indian	2%	
Asian Chinese	15%	
Asian Japanese	2%	
Asian Korean	4%	
Asian Laotian	1%	
Asian Cambodian	2%	
Asian Vietnamese	8%	
Filipino	25%	
Asian, Other	6%	
Black or African American	9%	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	3%	
Pacific Islander Guamanian	2%	
Pacific Islander Hawaiian	2%	
Pacific Islander Samoan	6%	
Pacific Islander, Other	6%	
White	15%	
Afghan	0%	
Israeli	0%	
Iranian or Persian	0%	
European Jewish (Ashkenazi)	0%	
	Count	Percent
<b>Any API Category</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>67%</b>
Financial Aid		
Scholarship or Aid	Count	Percent
Scholarship or Aid	163	65%

40% of the year three students have were male and 57% female.

"Hispanic, Latino", "Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano", and "Filipino" were the most commonly selected race/ethnicity categories among new year three students.

67% of new year three Arise students marked at least one of the Asian Pacific Islander (API) categories when reporting on their racial/ethnic background.

65% of the new year three Arise students received either a scholarship or financial aid.

## Arise Program Grant 2 Year 4 Student Profile

	Students Served	
Completed an application for the program	288	
Number Enrolled in Credit Courses Fall 2019	624	
	Count	Percent
Number Persisted Fall to Spring	550	88%

220 students completed applications to be an Arise students in year four of the second grant. 88% of the Arise students enrolled in credit courses during the fall 2019 were enrolled in credit courses spring 2020.

GPA	
Average Cumulative GPA of Student Cohort	3.11

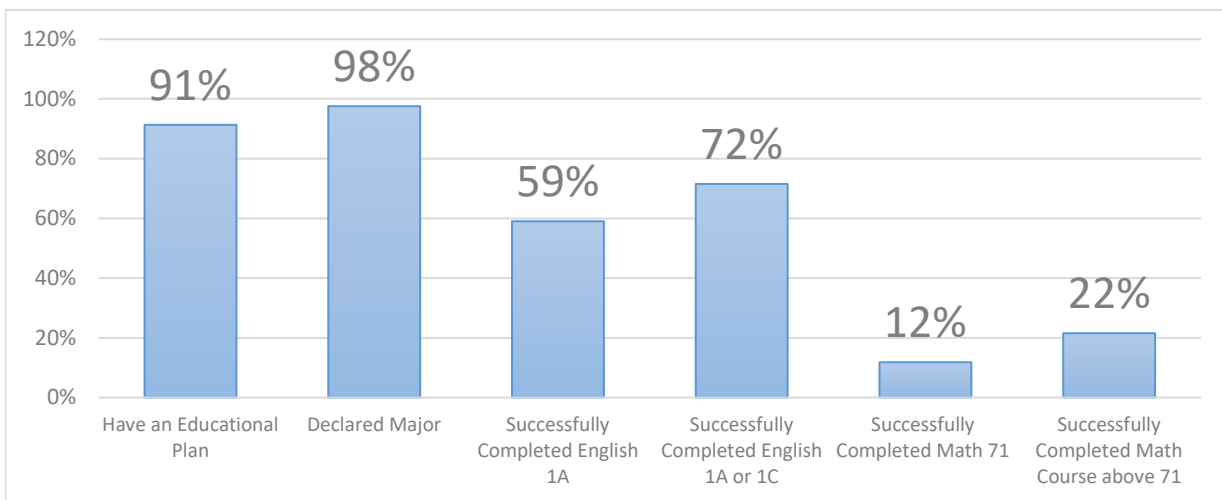
Total Units Completed by Spring 2020					
Units Completed	Count	Percent	Percent of Attempted	Count	Percent
0-11.99	60	11%	0 to 25%	9	2%
12-29.99	141	26%	26 to 50%	37	7%
30-59.99	179	33%	51 to 75%	156	29%
60+	164	30%	76 to 100%	342	63%
<b>Total</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>100%</b>

63% of all Arise year four students earned 76% to 100% of the units they attempted at Mt. SAC. 63% of these students have earned more than 30 units at Mt. SAC.

### New Year Four Arise Students (n=288)

MAP		
Have an Educational Plan	263	91%
Declared Major	281	98%
English and Math Completion		
Successfully Completed English 1A	170	59%
Successfully Completed English 1A or 1C	206	72%
Successfully Completed Math 71	34	12%
Successfully Completed Math Course above 71	62	22%

98% of the new year four students have a declared major and 91% have an educational plan (MAP). 59% of these students have already completed English 1A and 22% math 71 or higher.





## New Arise Students Year 4 (Fall 2019-Summer 2020)

Demographics		
Gender	Count	Percent
Male	123	43%
Female	158	55%
Unknown/Not Declared	7	2%
Race/Ethnicity		
Hispanic, Latino	28.5%	
Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano	24.3%	
Central American	4.2%	
South American	2.1%	
Hispanic, Other	8.0%	
Asian Indian	2.8%	
Asian Chinese	17.4%	
Asian Japanese	1.4%	
Asian Korean	0.7%	
Asian Laotian	1.0%	
0 American Indian	0.3%	
Asian Cambodian	1.4%	
1 Native American Pacific Region Tribes	0.3%	
Asian Vietnamese	6.6%	
Filipino	25.0%	
Asian, Other	7.3%	
Black or African American	9.4%	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2.4%	
Pacific Islander Guamanian	0.3%	
Pacific Islander Hawaiian	1.4%	
Pacific Islander Samoan	4.5%	
Pacific Islander, Other	4.2%	
White	14.2%	
Chinese	0.3%	
Iranian or Persian	0.3%	
Central West African Nigeria Region	0.3%	
Tongan	0.3%	
Western European (French/German)	0.3%	
European Jewish (Ashkenazi)	0.3%	
Portuguese	0.3%	
Canadian	0.3%	
Spanish	0.3%	
Mexican	0.3%	
	Count	Percent
<b>Any API Category</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>73%</b>

43% of the year four students were male and 55% female.

"Hispanic, Latino", "Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano", and "Filipino" were the most commonly selected race/ethnicity categories among new year four students.

73% of new year four Arise students marked at least one of the Asian Pacific Islander (API) categories when reporting on their racial/ethnic background.

Financial Aid	Count	Percent
Scholarship or Aid	217	75%

75% of the new year four Arise students received either a scholarship or financial aid.

## Arise Program Grant 2 Year 5 Student Profile

Students Served	
Completed an application for the program	156
Number Enrolled in Credit Courses Fall 2020	628
Count	Percent
Persisted Fall 2020 to Spring 2021	506      81%

156 students completed applications to be an Arise students in year five of the second grant. 81% of the Arise students enrolled in credit courses during the fall 2020 were enrolled in credit courses spring 2021.

GPA	
Average Cumulative GPA of Student Cohort	2.75

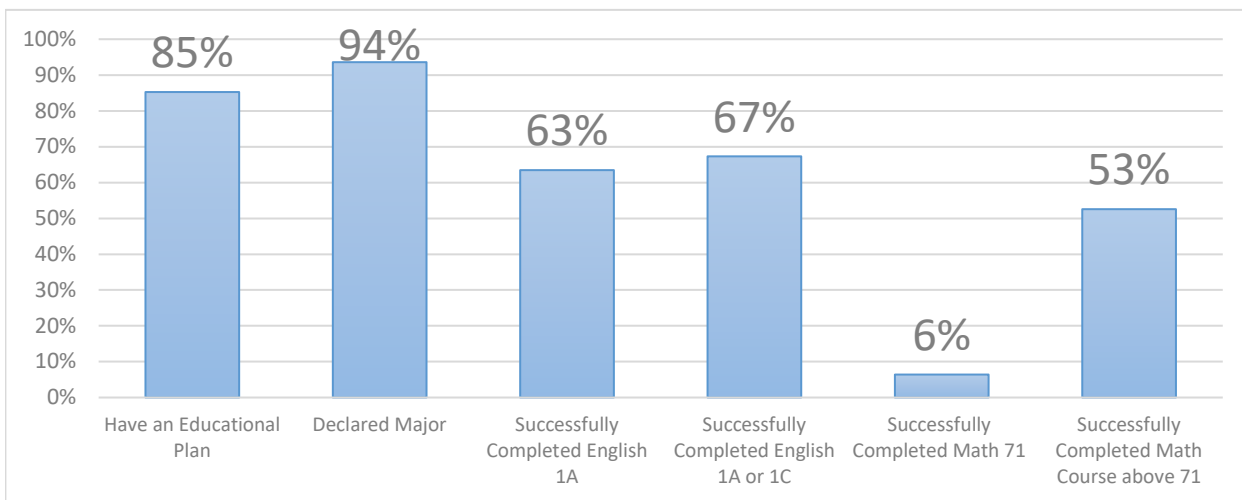
Total Units Completed through Spring 2021					
Units Completed	Count	Percent	Percent of Attempted	Count	Percent
0-11.99	32	5%	0 to 25%	23	4%
12-29.99	83	13%	26 to 50%	60	10%
30-59.99	218	35%	51 to 75%	172	27%
60+	295	47%	76 to 100%	373	59%
<b>Total</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>100%</b>

76% of all Arise year five students earned 76% to 100% of the units they attempted at Mt. SAC. 82% of the year five students have earned more than 30 units at Mt. SAC.

### New Year Five Arise Students (n=156)

MAP		
Have an Educational Plan	133	85%
Declared Major	146	94%
English and Math Completion		
Successfully Completed English 1A	99	63%
Successfully Completed English 1A or 1C	105	67%
Successfully Completed Math 71	10	6%
Successfully Completed Math Course above 71	82	53%

94% of the new year five students have a declared major and 85% have an educational plan (MAP). 63% of these students have already completed English 1A and 53% math 71 or higher.



## New Arise Students Year 5 (Fall 2020-Summer 2021)

Demographics		
Gender	Count	Percent
Male	56	36%
Female	100	64%
Unknown/Not Declared	0	0%
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian/Alaskan Native	3.2%	
Asian Cambodian	1.9%	
Asian Chinese	37.8%	
Asian Indian	1.9%	
Asian Japanese	1.3%	
Asian Korean	3.8%	
Asian Laotian	0.6%	
Asian Vietnamese	9.6%	
Asian, Other	9.6%	
Black or African American	5.1%	
Central American	1.3%	
Filipino	20.5%	
Guamanian or Chamorro	0.6%	
Hispanic, Latino	12.8%	
Hispanic, Other	5.8%	
Irish	0.6%	
Italian/Balkan/Greek	0.6%	
Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano	10.9%	
Other Middle Eastern	0.6%	
Pacific Islander Guamanian	1.3%	
Pacific Islander Hawaiian	1.9%	
Pacific Islander Samoan	5.1%	
Pacific Islander, Other	2.6%	
South American	1.3%	
Taiwanese	0.6%	
Tongan	0.6%	
White	12.8%	
	Count	Percent
<b>Any API Category</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>83%</b>

36% of the year five students were male and 64% female.

"Asian Chinese" and "Filipino", were the most commonly selected race/ethnicity categories among new year five students.

83% of new year five Arise students marked at least one of the Asian Pacific Islander (API) categories when reporting on their racial/ethnic background.

60% of the new year five Arise students received either a scholarship or financial aid.

Financial Aid	Count	Percent
Scholarship or Aid	93	60%



# The Arise Program

The Arise program began fall 2011. Fall 2021 marked the 10th year of the program. During this time, the majority of the funding was provided by the Federal Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions grant (AANAPISI).

## Here are a few facts about the program:

### Students Served

**2,240**



**835**

students completed applications during the first grant.

**1,405**

new students completed applications during the second grant.

*Timeframe: Students who applied 10/17/2012-2/1/22*

### Gender

**51%**

Female

**48%**

Male

**1%**

Unknown

### 35% Race/Ethnicity

28%

20%

Hispanic/Latinx

Filipino

Black/African American

White

14%

11%

3%

## Graduation and Transfer

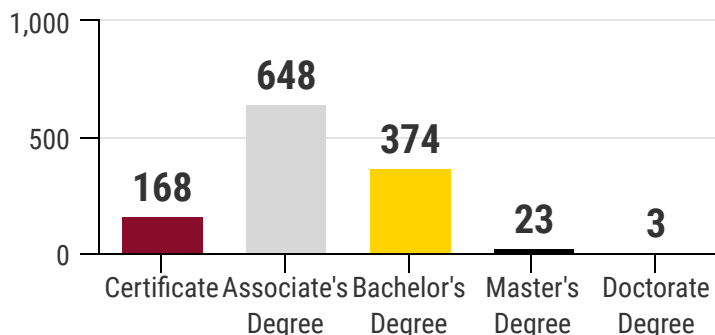


**30% have earned a Mt. SAC degree or certificate (n=815).**



**36% have transferred to a 4 year university (n=817)**

## Number of Students Completing Awards



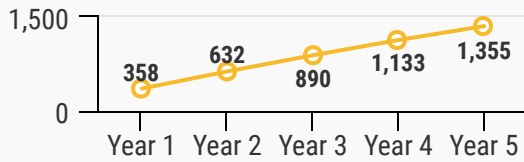
- 168 students a certificate
- 648 students an Associate's degrees
- 374 students a Bachelor's degrees
- 23 students a Master's degrees
- 3 students earned Doctorate degree



# The Arise Program

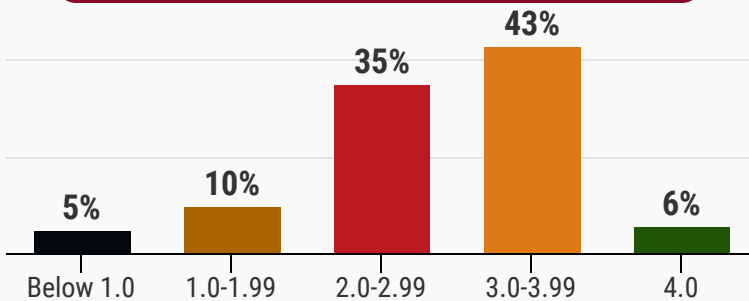
Grant 2 Fall 2016 thru Summer 2021

## New Arise Students



Average Number of New Students Annually = 283

## Cumulative GPAs



## Educational Plans

**91%** n=1,227

Completed Transfer Level Math

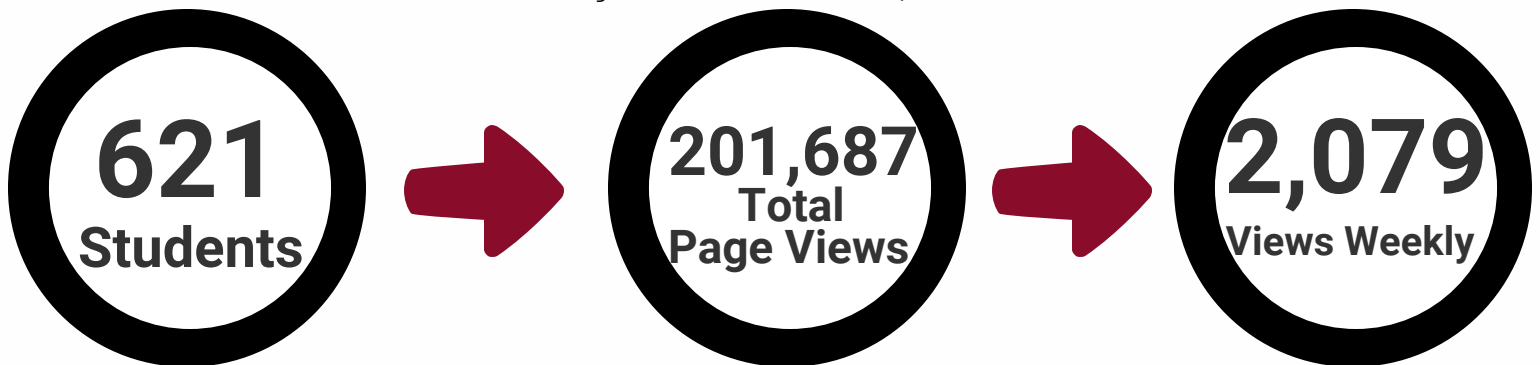
**56%** n=757

Completed Transfer Level English

**74%** n=1007

## The Arise Canvas Hub

The sudden closure of our campus in the spring 2020 term required the program to develop new methods of delivering services. One such method was utilizing Canvas software to develop the Arise Student Hub.



## Humans of Arise

This themed activity on the Arise Hub allowed to students to share thoughts on topics each month in year 5 of the grant.

### On the Topic of: Filipinx-American History Month

"What it means to me to be Filipina is to hold the values that my family and ancestors have held before me, to keep a tradition going, a mindset intact, and keeping your loved ones in mind and in your heart. To me being Filipina is who the people are who came before me, and what I want it to mean in the future. It will always hold meaning with family!"


"To identify as a Filipina-American is truly one of my proudest aspects of my being. The Filipino culture and ideals are what shaped me into becoming who I am as a person and instilled ethics and morals that I find important to have in the world today. Other than the amazing food, being a Filipina-American gives me an instant familial bond with any Filipino, which gives us a place to belong and be understood."

"Sometimes when I think about the past and what I grew up with, or thinking about visiting the Philippines, I feel like I have two different lives, two different reputations. I tend not to think about it, because I enjoy what's given to me now. The only thing that matters to me is that I want all of my immediate family and pets to be here, living with me, and also that I get to see my friends from the Philippines a lot."

# Cultural Night 2021

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Arise invites you to a virtual




## Cultural Night

**Thursday, May 27th**  
**6pm - 7:30pm**

Zoom: 95579734828

To request disability related accommodations, Please contact us at least 5 days in advance, Tutasí Asuega, [pasuega@mtsac.edu](mailto:pasuega@mtsac.edu)



# **Spring 2021 Arise Milestones Virtual Event**

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The full recording can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mlXleJYk3Os>



Caring,  
Commitment, and  
Community  
Through COVID-19

**Strengthening Student Success  
Conference 2020**

Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Vice President,  
Student Services

Koji Uesugi, Dean, Student Services

Aida Cuenza-Uvas, Director, Arise Program

Tannia Robles, Director, High School  
Outreach and Promise+Plus







*Welcome to Spring Semester at Mt. SAC!*






And then life suddenly changed...




- **Transform** our complex college campus into one that is **caring**, responsive, **committed**, and responsible
- Stay focused on a commitment to equity

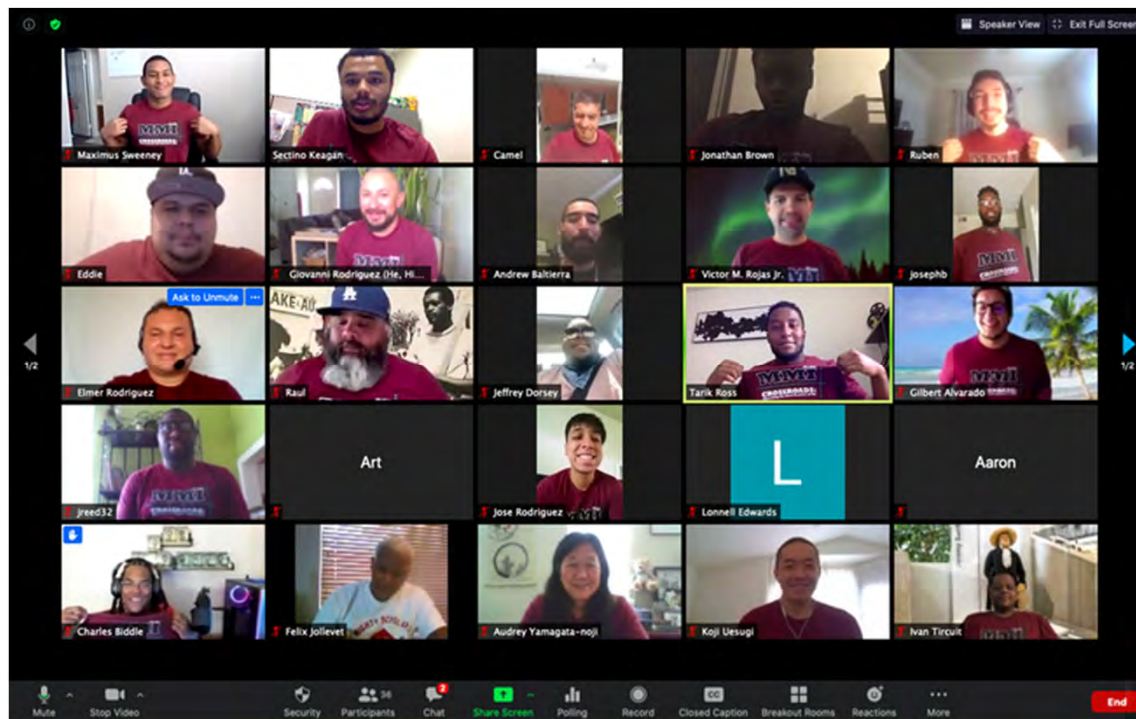
## The Imperative



## What we had to learn

- Find direction in the midst of a crisis
  - Address racial injustices
  - Reconnect and stay engaged
  - How to stay the course
  - Innovate and re-invent
  - Focus on our mission
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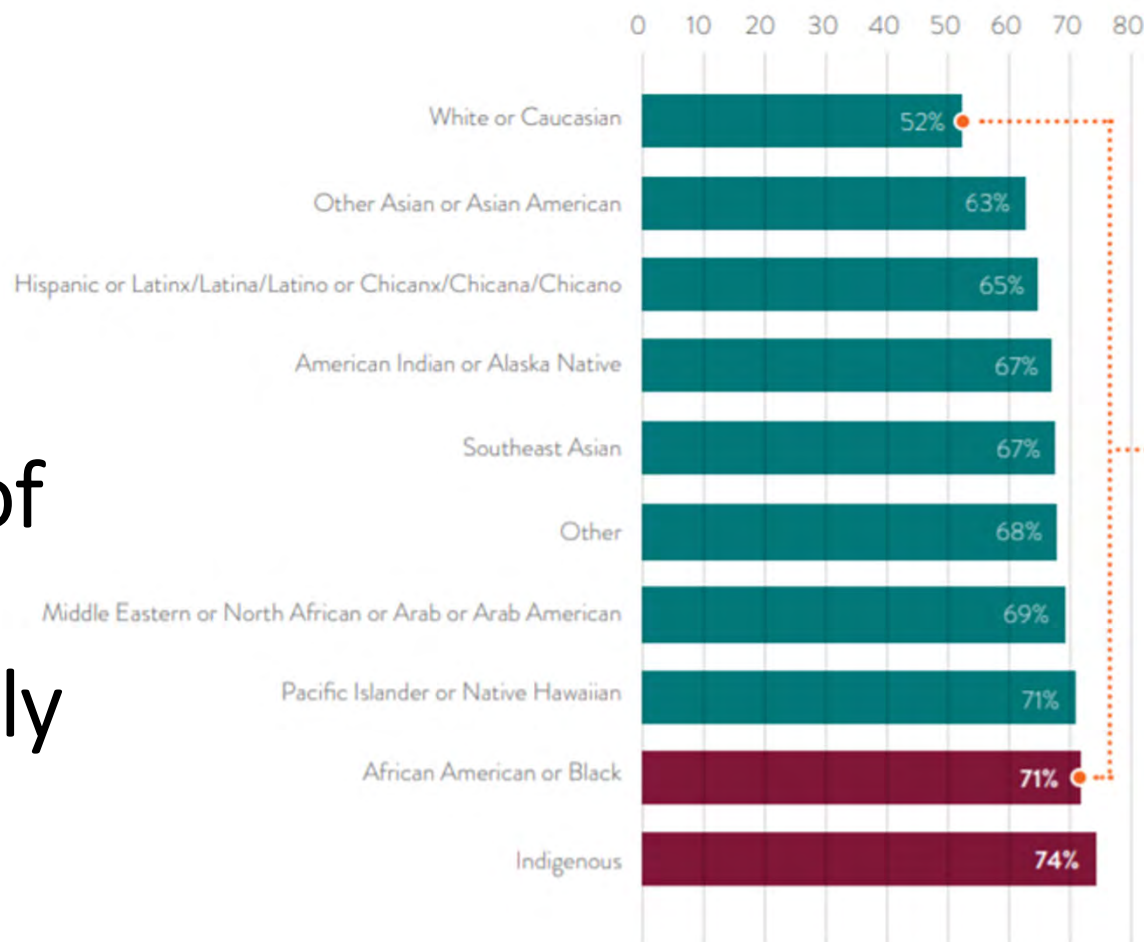
This presentation will share the voices we heard from our students, the strategies we employed to stay connected, and how we translated a crisis into a demonstration of *caring*, *commitment* and *community*.



## But a crisis doesn't change disparities in equity...

- In fact the gap widened.
- Basic needs – food, housing
- Technology divide grows
- Lack of work; loss of work
- Difficulty in applying/accessing services (financial aid, CalFresh, unemployment, tutoring, counseling)
- Health concerns: self and family; lack of medical coverage means lack of medical care at early stages
- No place to study; lack of support

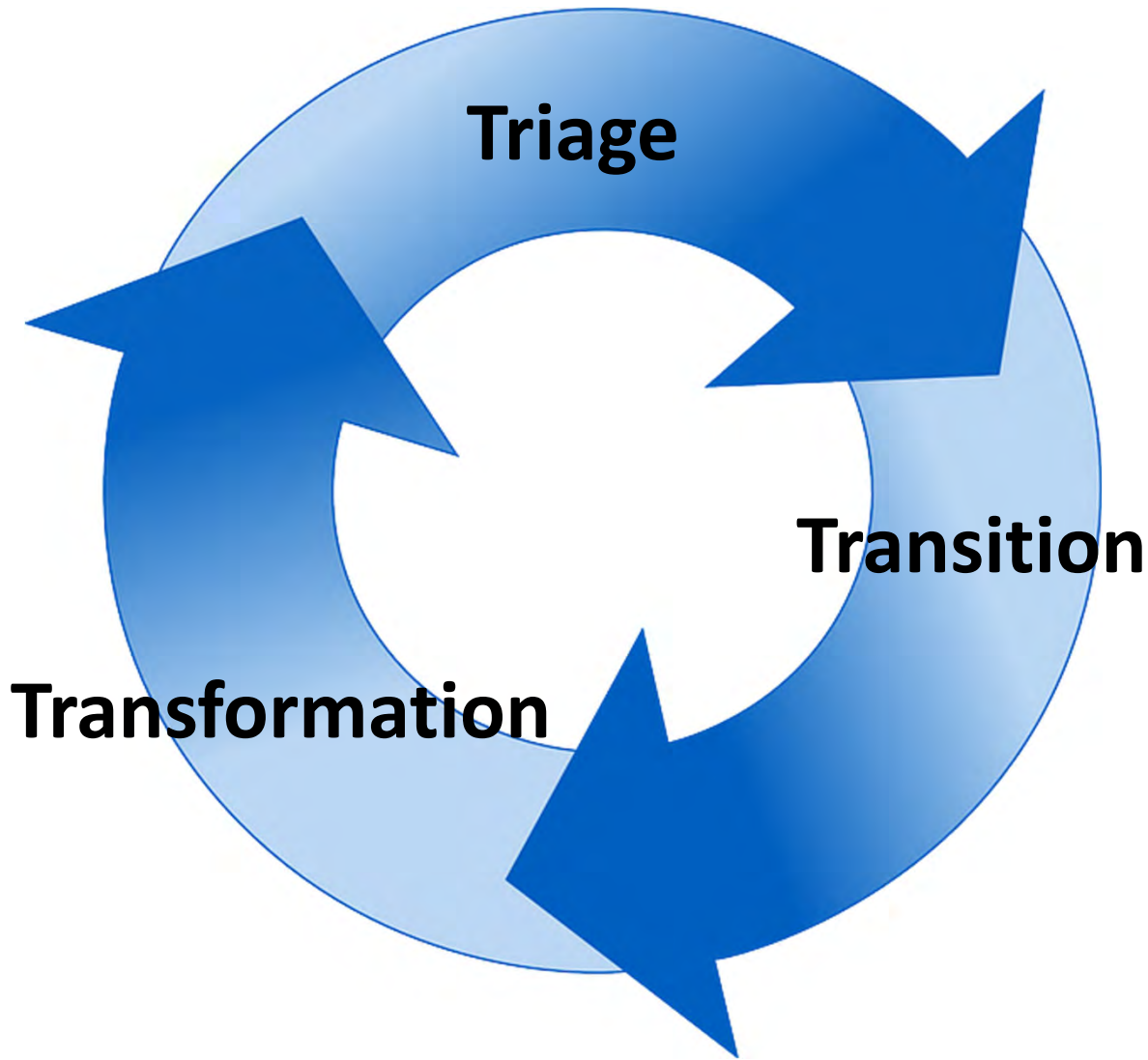
# Pandemic Impacted Students of Color Significantly Harder



  **THE BLACK/WHITE GAP IN BASIC NEEDS INSECURITY WAS 19 percentage points**

SOURCE | 2020 #RealCollege During the Pandemic Survey

NOTES | Classifications of racial/ethnic background are not mutually exclusive. Students could self-identify with multiple classifications. For more detail on how each measure of basic needs insecurity was constructed, refer to the [web appendices](#).



- Triage: Responding to the onset of crisis
- Transition: Adjusting to the alternate ways of "being"
- Transformation: Revealing/discovering new ways of practicing



## Ethic of Care (Noddings, 2012)



Care

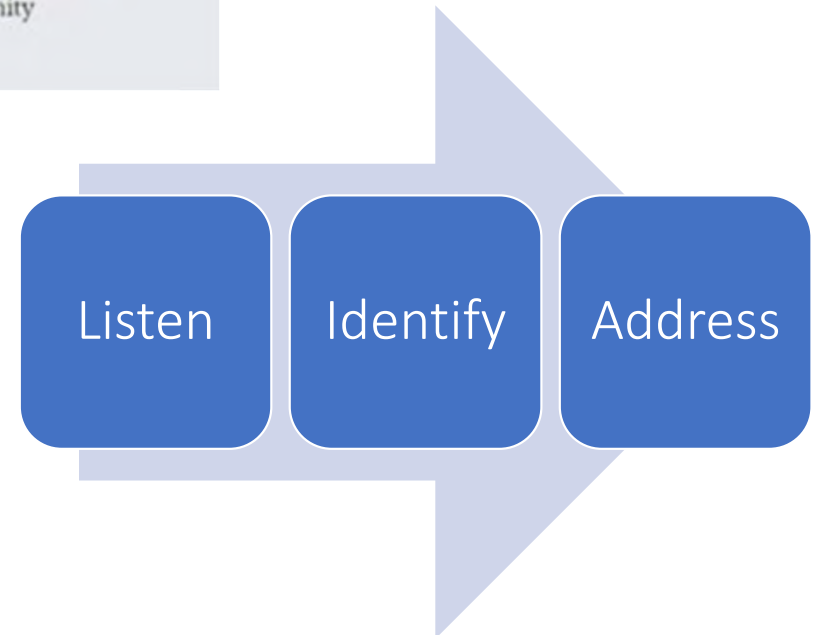


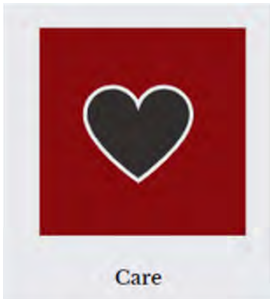
Commitment



Community

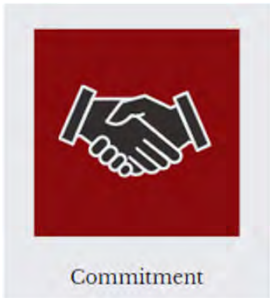
An Ethic of Care is a moral philosophy and relational theory centered around the relationship we have with ourselves and others. In education, the theory is put into practice by focusing on the importance of caring for our campus community, listening, identifying needs, and addressing needs.





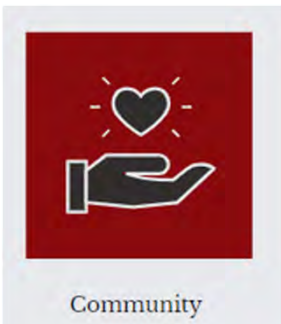
## **Demonstrating Care-The "How?"**

- In developing our services, we were learning in real-time, that everything should be done with intentional CARE
- Care of community and care of self



## **Demonstrating Commitment-The "What"**

- Commitment to providing support services amid the start of the pandemic and during the campus closure



## **Demonstrating Community-The "Who"**

- A collective responsibility
- Strengthening and building off and on-campus partnerships was critical to developing our community.

Ethic of Care at  
the Heart of  
Serving Our  
Students



# Triage: Responding to the Onset of Crisis

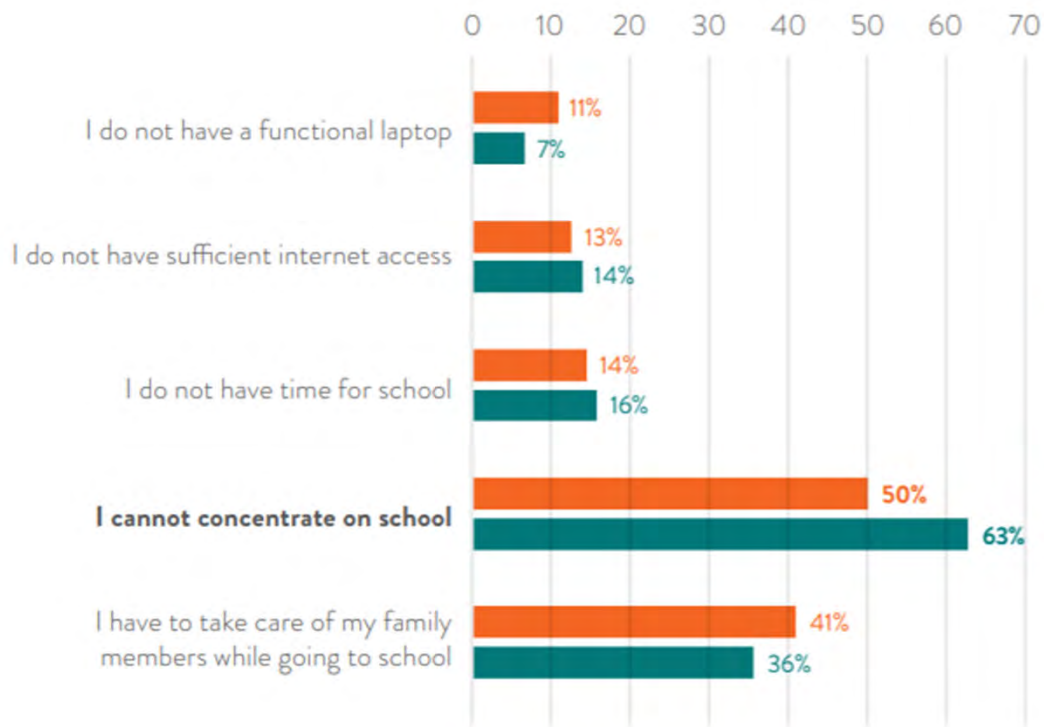
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- **Triage:** *the sorting of and allocation of treatment to patients and especially battle and disaster victims according to a system of priorities... (Merriam Webster)*
- During the onset of the pandemic, we:
  - Operated with limited information
  - Scrambled to provide essential services to throw our students a life-line
  - Did not realize what the situation would be long-term

Study of  
38,000 College  
Students by  
The Hope  
Center for  
College,  
Community,  
and Justice



**5.8 out of every 10 students** experienced  
**basic needs insecurity** due to the pandemic



Two-Year

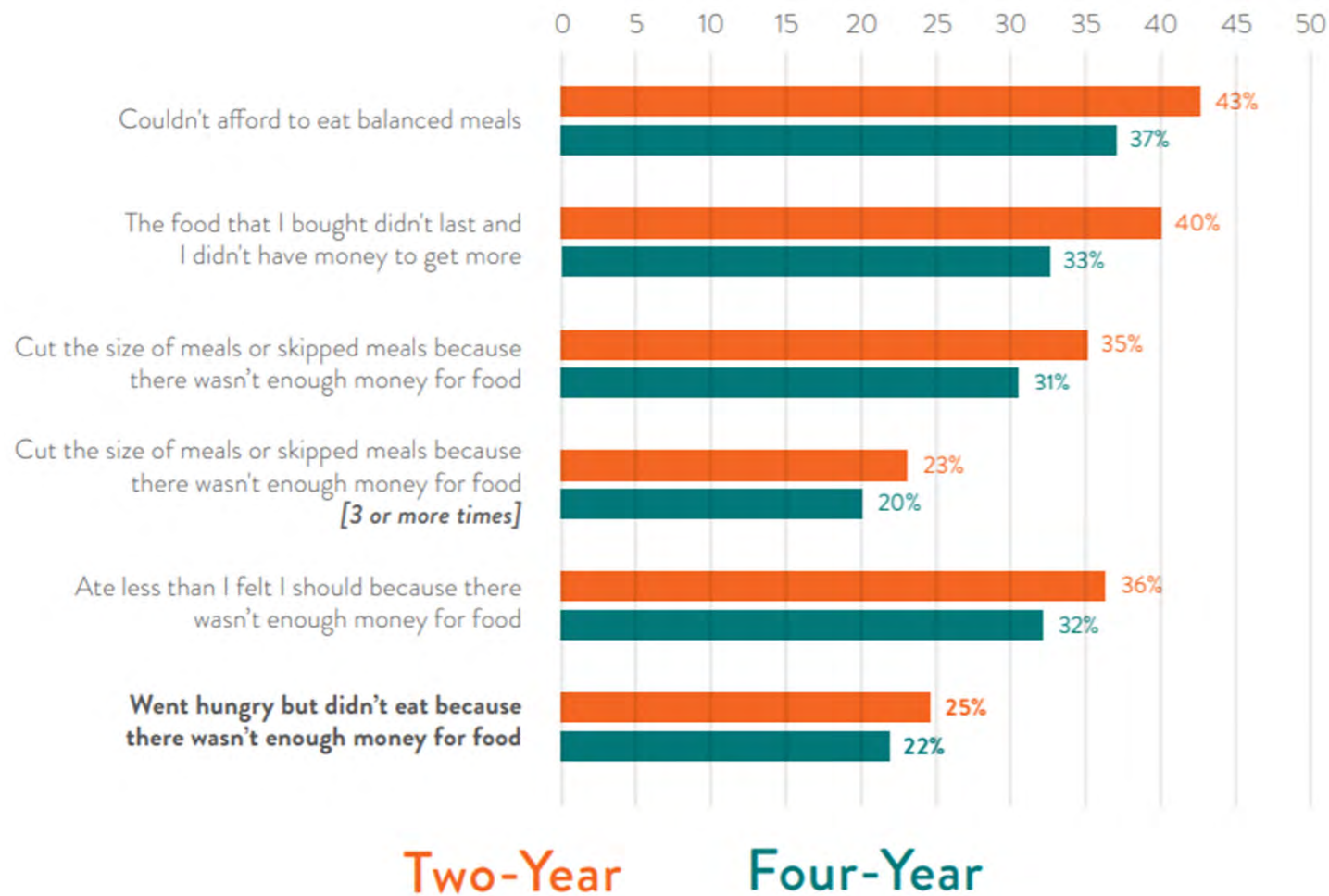
Four-Year

## Academic Challenges by College Type

SOURCE | 2020 #RealCollege During the Pandemic Survey

NOTES | Examples of academic challenges due to COVID-19 are not mutually exclusive. Additional breakdowns are available in the [web appendices](#).

# Food Insecurity by College Type



SOURCE | 2020 #RealCollege During the Pandemic Survey

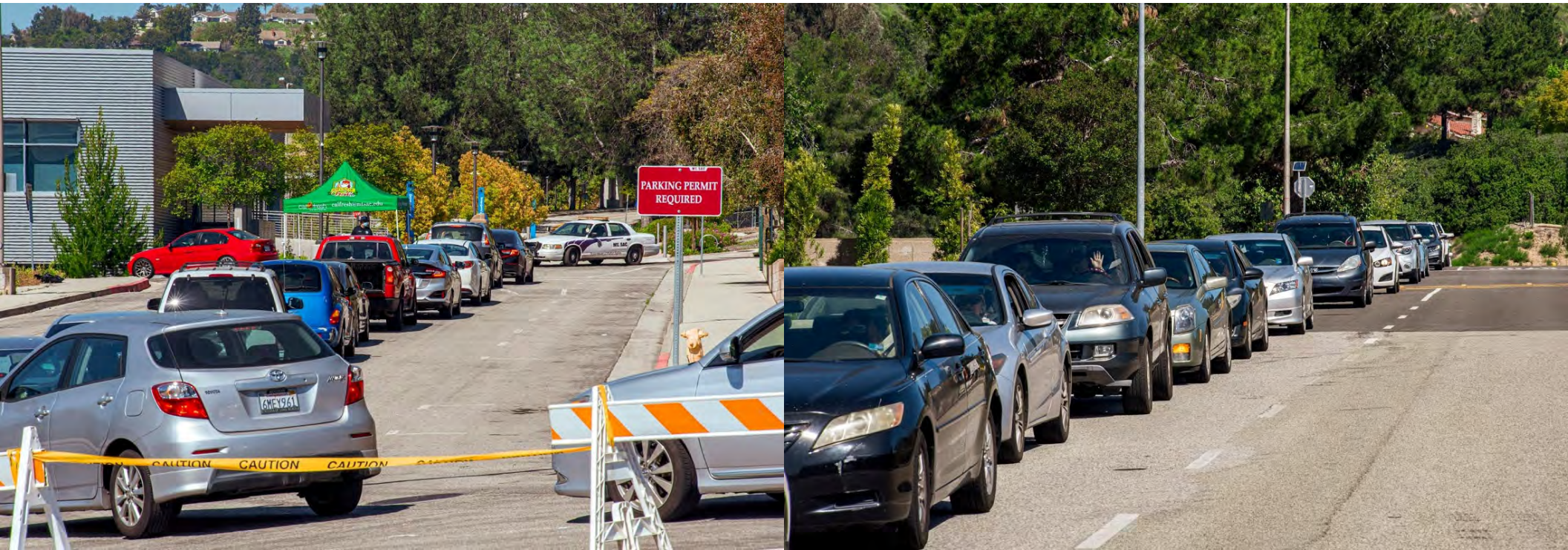
NOTES | For more detail on how food insecurity was constructed refer to the [web appendices](#).

## Mountie Fresh Food Pantry Transitioned to Remote and Drive-Thru

- **Pre-Pandemic**
  - Provided in-store and outdoor farmers market experience
- **Pandemic**
  - Drive-thru core principles:
    - Safe practices for students and workers
    - Easy access
    - Provide food products for broad range of needs



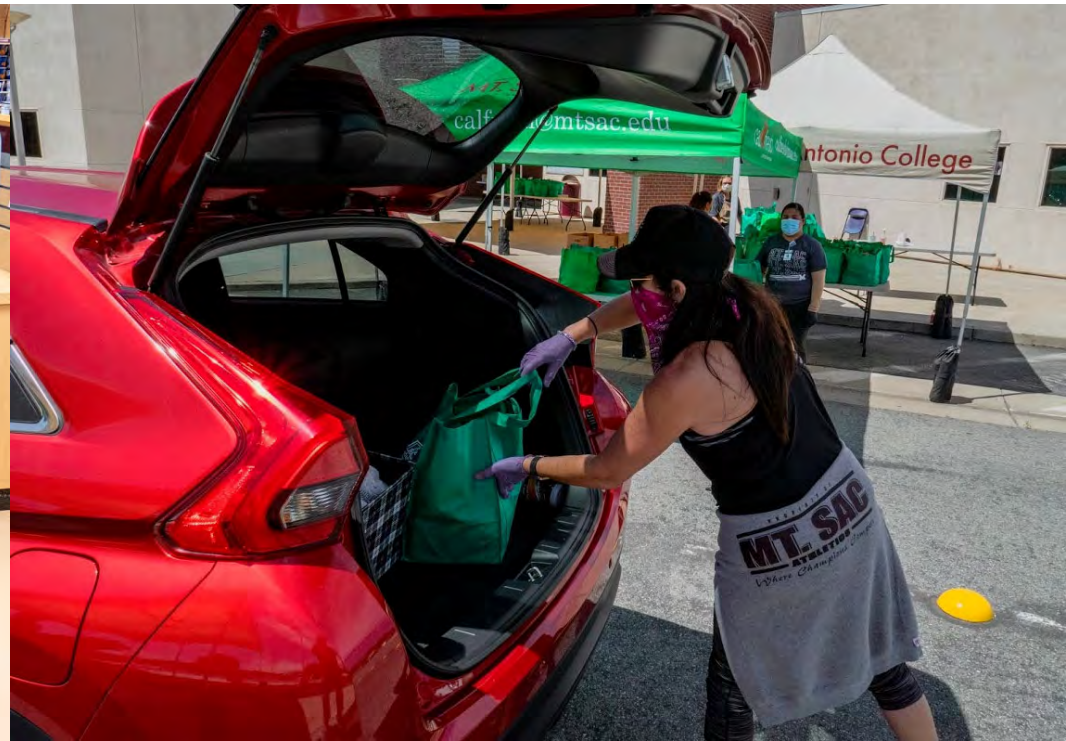




The lines are long, but when students arrive at the distribution tent...



...they are greeted by smiling faces and a bag full of food.



From the store to the trunk, each bag is prepared with care.

# Laptop Loan Program (Drive-Up Distribution)



Identified the need and examined current resources



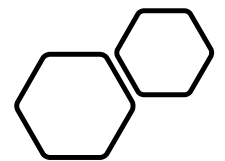
Provided first distribution of technology one week after the campus closure

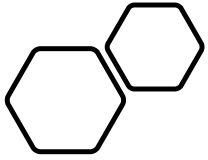


Re-examined resources and the process, to identify improvements



A community centered collaboration to address the technology needs of students





3,500 students  
provided with a  
laptop and/or  
hotspot



# Transition: Adjusting to the alternate ways of "being"

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- **Transition:** *a movement, development, or evolution from one form, stage, or style to another (Merriam Webster)*
- Lessons learned during the Triage:
  - Figure out how to build life-lines
  - Re-think and re-prioritize policies, processes
  - Everything doesn't happen in the "classroom"
  - Build new alliances "on campus" (community)
  - Mental health wellness is critical

# Level of Anxiety by Survey Respondents

## Two-Year

24%

27%

20%

29%

None to minimal

Mild

Moderate

Severe

SOURCE | 2020 #RealCollege During the Pandemic Survey

NOTES | The Generalized Anxiety Disorder Scale (GAD-7) was used to measure anxiety. Cumulative percentages may not add up to 100 due to rounding. For more detail on how anxiety was constructed, as well as additional breakdowns, refer to the [web appendices](#).



## Beyond the Facts and Figures, We Listened to Our Students

- I started the semester okay, then we stopped for 2 weeks, and when we came back it was all online and I had technology issues and then I was behind and then ... that was it.
- Although I know I'm not going through this alone, I feel all alone
- I have no motivation to do anything. I quit going to my classes. I'm not a quitter, but I quit.
- I'm afraid to move on. I'm afraid of becoming shy and isolated all over again.
- I'm taking the emergency withdrawal. I'm struggling to see the value in school.

## (Re)Create Community: Listening to student voices

### **What inequities were amplified among our students?**

- **Individual Concerns**-self/agency, elders, family, social unrest
- **Mindset**-health and well-being, negative self-perceptions, imposter syndrome, isolation, sleep deprivation, grieving (death, hospitalizations, rituals), fears
- **Situational Context**-changing roles, family expectations, basic needs, essential work, loss of income, home environment
- **Challenges**: access and technology constraints; campus communication

**Remind ourselves what privileges might obstruct a full view.**



## Onboarding of New Student (Smooth Sailing)

- Serving 11 high school districts, over 50 high schools (~75% on free or reduced lunch)
- Normal onboarding process (March-July)
  - High School Outreach
  - Inreach Services



# Covid times Onboarding (Murky Waters)

## Pre-Campus Closure

- Surveyed the high schools (early March)
- Created new virtual "how to" videos
- Wellness calls

## Campus Closure (Mar 20-June)

- Newsletter for High School Staff
- Increased Communication
- Increased Campus Collaborations

## Adapting Virtually (April- October)

- Virtual Outreach Forum
- "Normal" Services, virtual

## New virtual on-boarding services

- Connect 4 make-up
- Summer Programs
- Student Help Center
- 1:1 specialist to student office hours



### STEPS TO FALL REGISTRATION

ATTEND A CONNECT 4 MAKEUP OR REGISTRATION 101 MEETING VIA ZOOM

CONNECT 4 MAKEUP YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:	REGISTRATION 101 YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Apply to Mt. SAC</li><li>• Complete the Assessment Questionnaire (AQ)</li><li>• Complete the Orientation</li><li>• Schedule an Appointment with a counselor</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create your college schedule</li><li>• Learn how to search for classes</li><li>• Learn how to register for classes</li><li>• Learn how to use your Mt. SAC portal</li></ul>
<p><b>Date:</b> June 10, 17, 24 and July 1 <b>Time:</b> 10:00 am - 11:00 am 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Date:</b> June 10, 17, 24 and July 1 <b>Time:</b> 11:00 am - 12:00 noon 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm</p>
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### MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE

## SUMMER PROGRAMS VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS

Join Us Starting May 2020 on  
Tuesdays from 11am-1pm and  
Thursdays from 2pm-4pm



### MT. SAC Mt. San Antonio College

## FALL 2020 STUDENT HELP CENTER

**WHEN? MON AUG 24 & TUES AUG 25 9AM-5PM**

Join our staff & faculty virtually for:

- General campus questions
- Open class search
- How to add classes
- Course selection
- Portal user assistance
- Completion of the enrollment process
- And more....

## Silver Linings - Onboarding

- Virtual-flexible hours (community)
- Increased on-campus collaborations (community)
- Individualized, private assistance (care)
- Phone communication (care)
- Time flexibility for services (commitment)



# Arise Program

- Funded by AANAPISI
- Serve Asian American Native American Pacific Islander (AANAPI) students, but also provides support to a diverse cross-section of students
- Instructional support/tutoring, counseling intervention, student and leadership development
- culturally relevant programming, digital storytelling, talking circles



# Innovative Strategies: Reflecting on our work to date

## Pre-Campus Closure

- Responding to evolving news
- Preparing ourselves & students
- Uncertainty around what programming would likely be impacted

## Campus Closure (Mar 20-April)

- Created & launched the **Arise Hub**
- Communication Strategies & Platforms
- Continuity of Care

## Adapting Virtually (April-October)

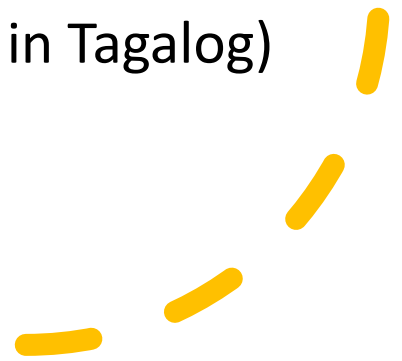
- "Normal" Programming
- Innovations and Silver Linings
- Lifelines to campus

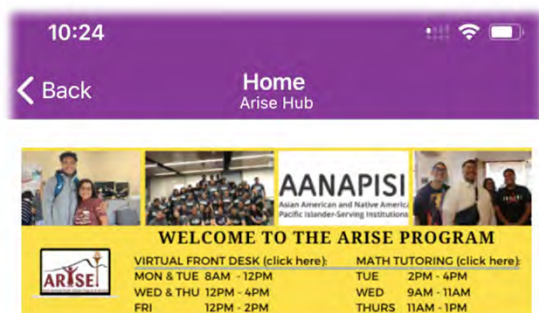
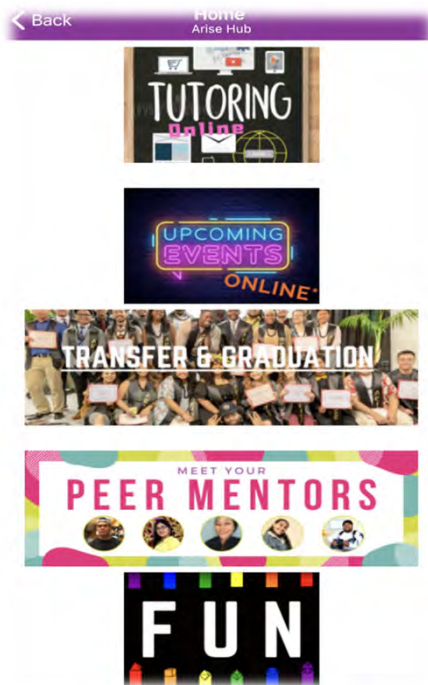


Pivot to Re-create  
our Community:  
Leverage our  
"Cultural" Capital

## Cultural Values = Ethic of Care

- **Fetokoni'aki** (responsibility for others in Tongan)
- **Tauhi va/tausi le va** (nurturing relationships in spaces we occupy in Tongan/Samoan)
- **Inafa 'maolek** (collective responsibility/restore harmony in Chamorro)
- **Utang na loob** (debt of gratitude in Tagalog)





The Mission of the Arise Program is to support all students committed to their holistic development, addressing their cultural, personal, student, academic and leadership potential in a safe space that promotes respect, accountability, and integrity.

Tell us about our Hub, use our ['Suggestion Box'](#) to leave an anonymous comment, idea, critique, or suggestion.



# Innovating Canvas: Arise Hub

# Reimagining our "Normal" and our Fetokoni'aki

- Maintain a sense of program normalcy
- Innovative strategies (opportunities & challenges)
- Silver linings- the possibility of transforming practice



Equity Center Presents:

**Mt. SAC Scholarship Marathon**

Monday, April 27th 4pm-Midnight  
All students welcome

Help available from:

- Equity Center Staff
- Writing tutors
- Scholarship specialists

**ZOOM ID: 987-782-43208**

If you need disability-related accommodations or services such as sign language interpreter, note taker, captioning,

**WHAT'S UP?! WEDNESDAY**

**HEY ARISE FAMILY!**

ZOOM in with us this week and participate in our Check-in by sharing a myth, legend or childhood story from your Culture.



## Silver Linings – Arise Program

- Virtual office hours
- Key lifelines
- Hybrid models for the future
- Document celebratory events
- Community engagement re-imagined
- Family participation

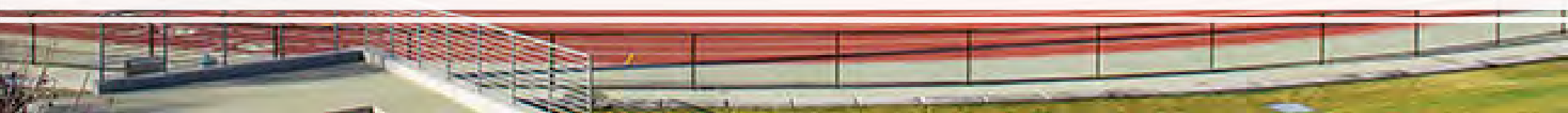
2020  
Arise



*Stand proud! You carry the hope of your ancestors . . .*



What was to be: Commencement 2020 at the New Stadium





What it became: Commencement 2020...  
A Memorable Virtual and Drive-Thru Ceremony Instead



2020 Mt. San Antonio College commen...



Watch later

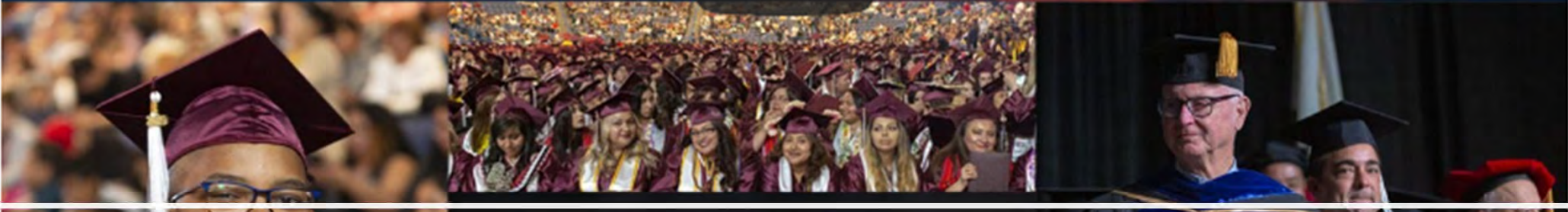
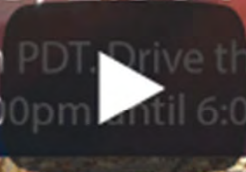
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# 74th Commencement 2020

June 18, 2:30 PM PDT

Virtual Ceremony begins at 2:30pm PDT. Drive through ceremony Live Stream starts at 3:00pm until 6:00pm.



Families and Friends from Around the World Joined In for the Virtual Ceremony



It took a Village...

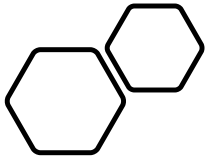




...a very Big Village of Faculty, Staff, and Administrators Committed to Celebrating Our Students in Style!

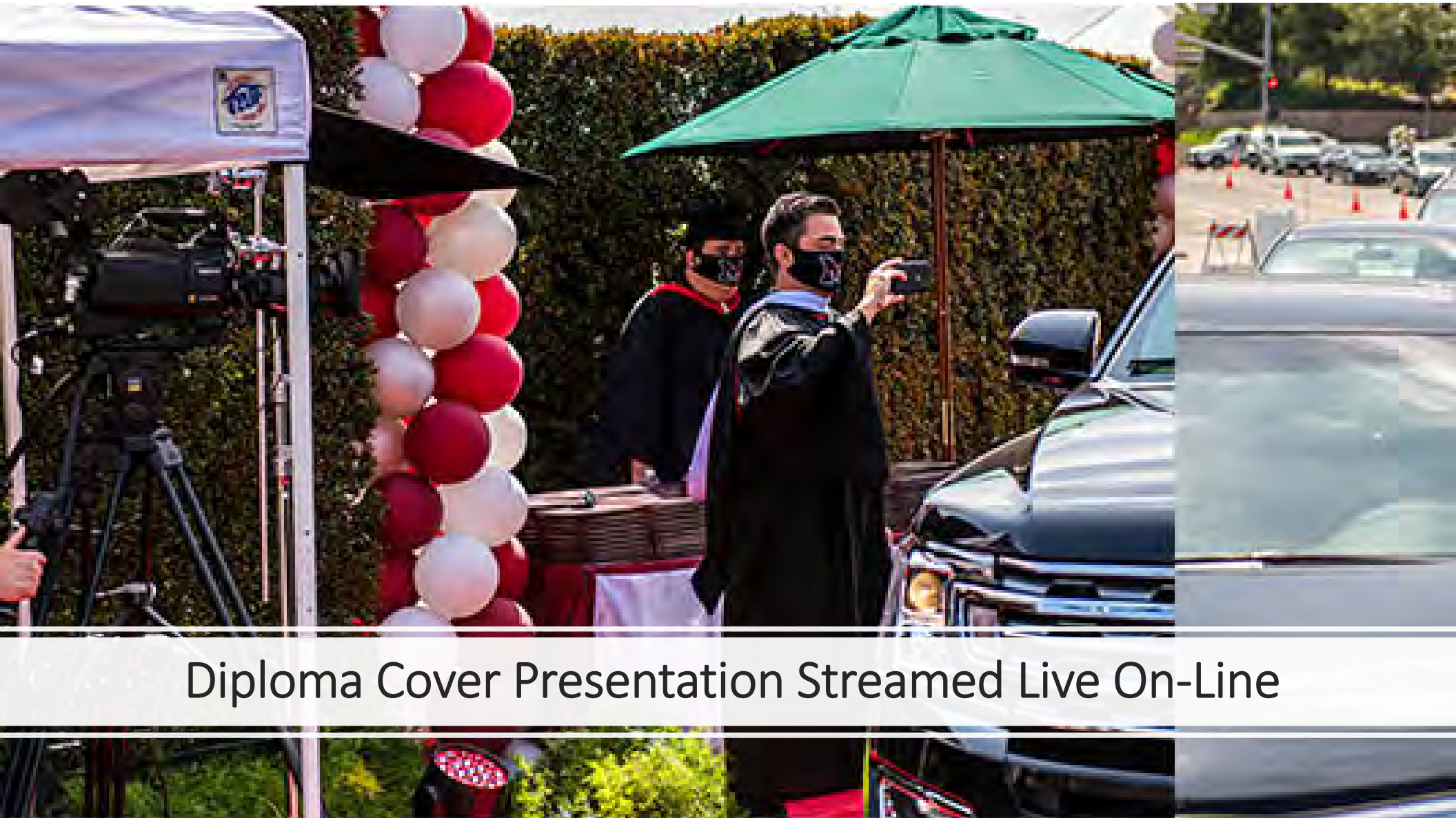


The World-Famous Mountie Commencement Cheer Squad



# Rolling Across the "Red Carpet"





Diploma Cover Presentation Streamed Live On-Line



Celebration with Family and Friends



# Triumph in the Face of Adversity

# Transformation: Revealing/discovering new ways of practicing

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- **Transformation:** *an act, process, or instance of transforming- change in structure, outward structure... (Merriam Webster)*
- See the Silver Lining within the crisis:
  - Still learning, still feeling our way through, but there is a sense that transforming is coming
  - College is not just brick and mortar – it is about relationships
  - Continue using Ethic of Care as framework to do our work

Ethic of Care at  
the Heart of  
Serving Our  
Students





A large, irregular orange watercolor splash on the left side of the slide, with some smaller splatters extending to the right.

What does  
transformation  
look like at your  
college?

Q & A

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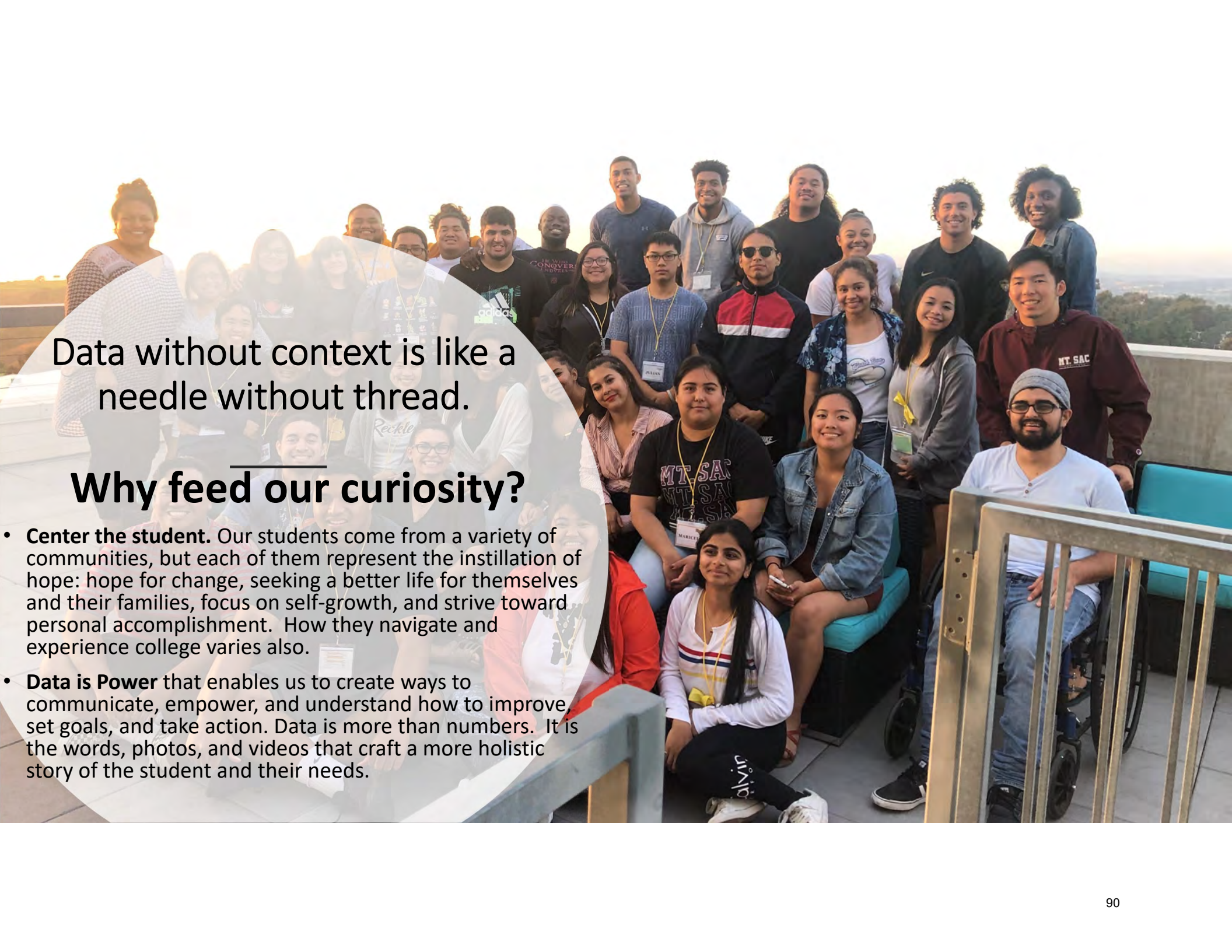
# Arise Program's ASAP!

The Power of Our Data:  
Feeding our Curiosity  
*Dr. Aida Cuenza-Uvas*

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*Friday, April 16, 2021*





Data without context is like a  
needle without thread.

## Why feed our curiosity?

- **Center the student.** Our students come from a variety of communities, but each of them represent the instillation of hope: hope for change, seeking a better life for themselves and their families, focus on self-growth, and strive toward personal accomplishment. How they navigate and experience college varies also.
- **Data is Power** that enables us to create ways to communicate, empower, and understand how to improve, set goals, and take action. Data is more than numbers. It is the words, photos, and videos that craft a more holistic story of the student and their needs.

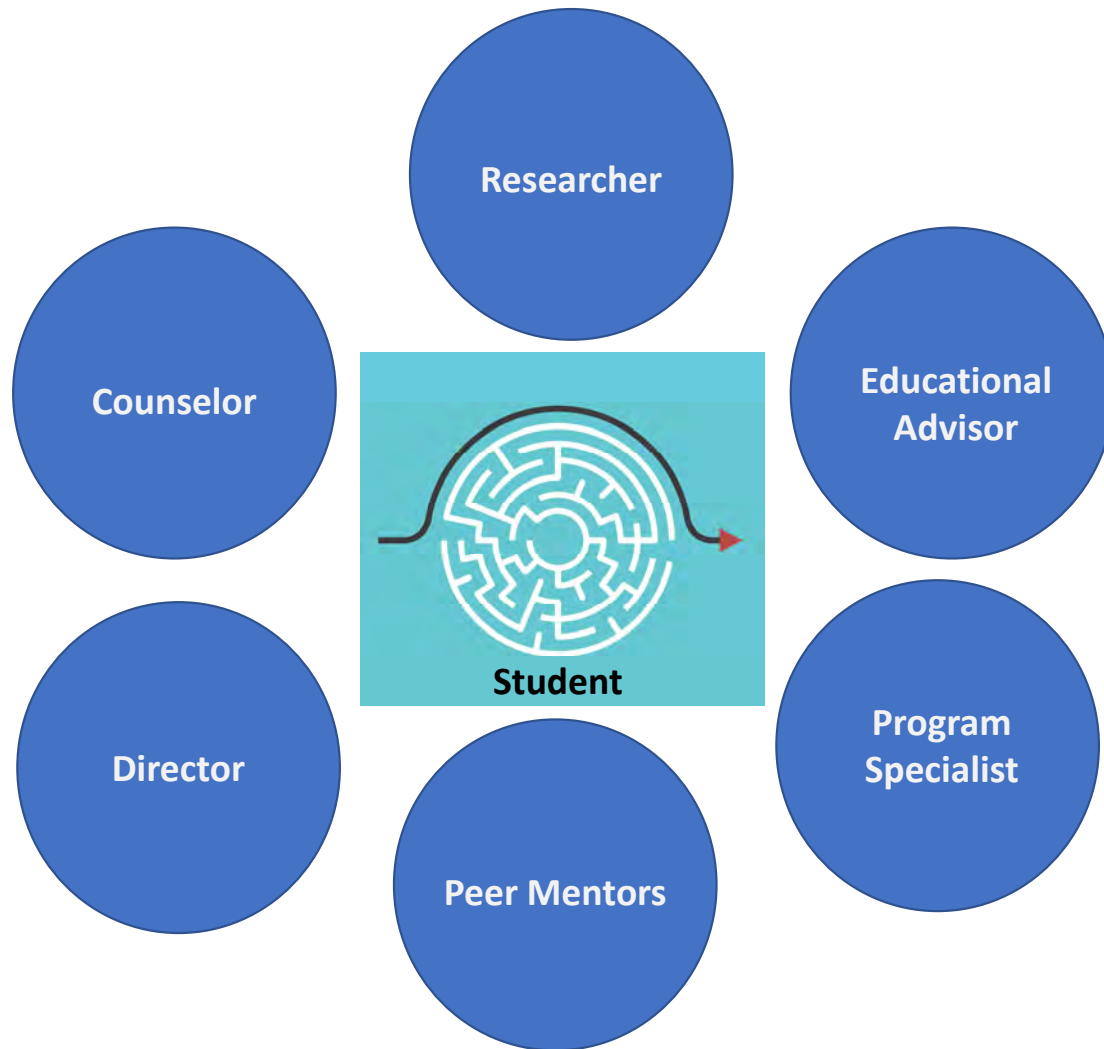
# Arise Program Background

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- AANAPISI Title III Federal Grant
- A support program for Asian Americans and Pacific Islander students
- Culturally-relevant programming and counseling/advising strategies
- Case management & cohort-tracking (ASAP!)



# The Arise Community & ASAP!



## What's in it for the students?

- Progress checks
- Self-awareness
- Self-Efficacy
- Navigation Capital (Yosso, 2005)
- Resources

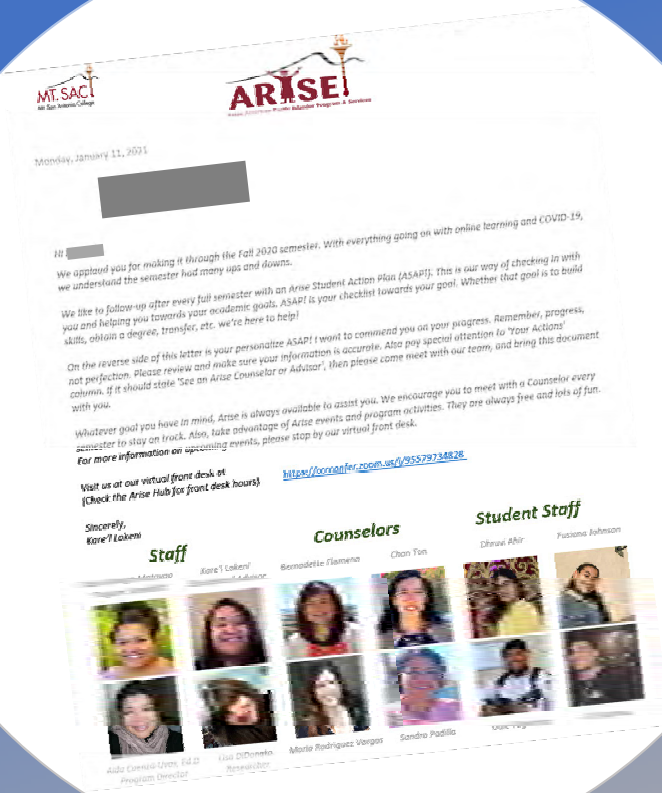
## What's in it for staff?

- Access
- Compile
- Understand
- Interpret
- Follow-Up
- Evaluate

# ASAP!

## Arise Student Action Plan!

- Personalized letter
- Academic Progress report
- Encouragement and support
- Major Terms: Fall and Spring
- E-Letters Sent after Fall 2020 (most recent)



# ASAP!

## Arise Student Action Plan!

- “Kaleidoscope”
  - Individual & Group data
  - Patterns, observations, anomalies
    - Creative Uses: That’s Major Career Exploration
- Using Data for Case Management
  - Reach out to Under 2.00 GPA
  - No Ed Plan





# ASAP! Arise Student Action Plan!

- Individual Data
  - Key markers
  - Recommended Target (Program/Counselor/Advisor)
  - Actual data for each student “Profile Status”
  - Recommended Action/ “Kudos”
- “Group data”
  - GPA Distribution
  - English & math completion



**Personalized ASAP! Report for [REDACTED]**

Your Arise Peer Mentor is Uale Togotogo

Student ID: [REDACTED] Your declared major is: Nursing

Keep moving towards graduation and/or transfer ASAP!

Report after posting of Fall 2020 grades.

Student Progress Marker	Recommended Target	Your Profile Status	Your Actions
Mt. SAC Overall GPA*	2.50	3.80	Keep up the good work!
Mt. SAC Overall Units Enrolled/Completed	70% earned	82/86	Keep up the good work!
		95%	
Fall 2020 term GPA	2.50	4.00	Keep up the good work!
Fall 2020 term units Enrolled/Completed	70% earned	6/6	Keep up the good work!
		100%	
English Writing Requirements	English Placement	English Placement or AQ Taken	Placement Complete!
	English Class Taken	Attempted English class	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed English 1A		
	Passed English 1C	Passed English 1C	You're on your way to finishing!
<b>Congratulations! Your English Requirements for Transfer are Complete!</b>			
Math Requirements	Math Placement	Math Placement or AQ Taken	Placement Complete!
	Math Class Taken	Attempted math class	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed Math 71		
	Passed Math 100+	Passed Math 100 or Higher	You're on your way to finishing!
<b>Congratulations! Your Math Requirements for Transfer are Complete!</b>			
Ed Plan (Mountie Academic Plan-MAP)	Have an active ed plan on file	Has an Ed Plan	Update your ed plan every semester.

\*\*Mt. SAC GPA is based exclusively on units earned at Mt. SAC.

If you have questions regarding your ASAP! Please come to the Arise Program office to meet with program staff. Call (909) 274-6622 or stop by the Equity Center, Bldg. 16E.

**All About Arise Students Fall 2020**

Fall 2020 Arise Student Overall GPA



Completed English 1A and/or 1C



Completed Math 100 or higher



**Personalized ASAP! Report for [REDACTED]**

Your Arise Peer Mentor is Dhruvi Ahir

Student ID: [REDACTED] Your declared major is: Psychology

Keep moving towards graduation and/or transfer ASAP!

Report after posting of Fall 2020 grades.

Student Progress Marker	Recommended Target	Your Profile Status	Your Actions
Mt. SAC Overall GPA*	2.50	2.17	See an Arise Counselor or Advisor
Mt. SAC Overall Units Enrolled/Completed	70% earned	23/43	See an Arise Counselor or Advisor
		53%	
Fall 2020 term GPA	2.50	1.38	See an Arise Counselor or Advisor
Fall 2020 term units Enrolled/Completed	70% earned	8/14	See an Arise Counselor or Advisor
		57%	
English Writing Requirements	English Placement	English Placement or AQ Taken	Placement Complete!
	English Class Taken	Attempted English class	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed English 1A		
	Passed English 1C		
<b>Congratulations! Your Math Requirements for Transfer are Complete!</b>			
Math Requirements	Math Placement	No Math Scores Found	See an Arise Counselor or Advisor.
	Math Class Taken	Attempted math class	You're on your way to finishing!
	Passed Math 71		
	Passed Math 100+	Passed Math 100 or Higher	You're on your way to finishing!
<b>Congratulations! Your Math Requirements for Transfer are Complete!</b>			
Ed Plan (Mountie Academic Plan-MAP)	Have an active ed plan on file	No Ed Plan	See an Arise Counselor or Advisor

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## What students think . . .

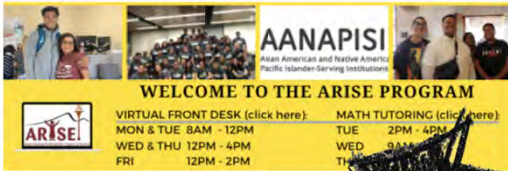
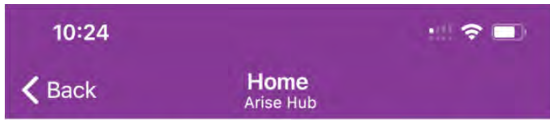
“ASAP letter seems very helpful to stay on track. This workshop made me feel like transferring officially started.” Arise Student, Fall 2019 Welcome Back event

“I learned about ASAP to help me revise my progress.” Arise Student, Fall 2019 Welcome Back event

“There are ASAP letters that can help you.” Arise Student, Fall 2019 Welcome Back event

The impact of data on a student's mindset . . .

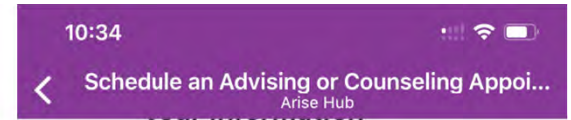
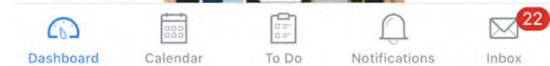
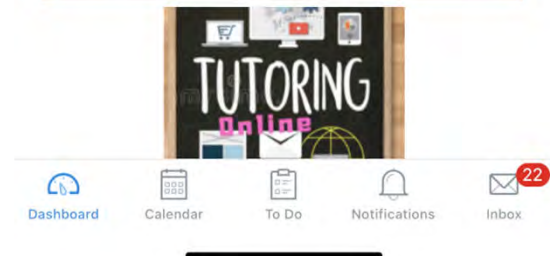
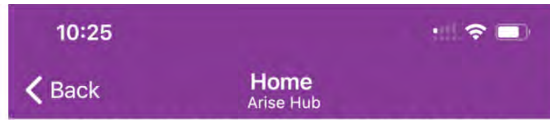
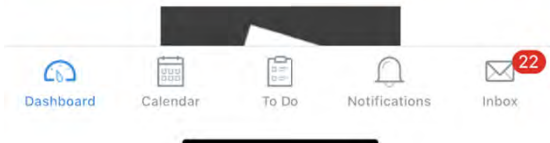




The Mission of the Arise Programs is to support all students committed to their holistic development, addressing their cultural, personal, student, academic and leadership potential in a safe space that promotes respect, accountability, and integrity.

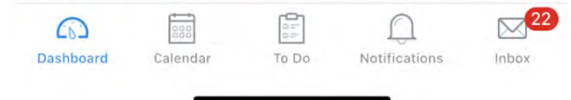
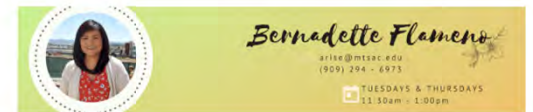
Tell us about our Hub, use our '[Suggestion Box](#)' to leave an anonymous comment, idea, critique, or suggestion.

PLEASE SCROLL DOWN & CLICK ON EACH CATEGORY FOR MORE INFORMATION.



**\*PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH: Your NAME, A#, date and time of your request.**

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## Here are a few facts about the program:

### Students Served

**1,997**

**835**

students completed applications during the first grant.

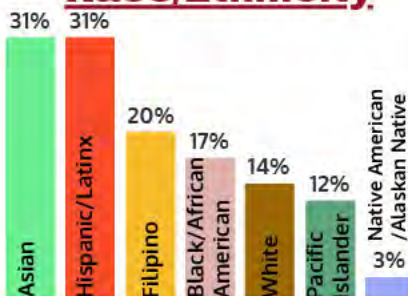
**1,160**

new students completed applications during the second grant.

### Gender

**48%** Female    **50%** Male    **2%** Unknown

### Race/Ethnicity



### Graduation and Transfer



**39% have earned a degree or certificate (n=776).**

**70% have transferred to a 4**

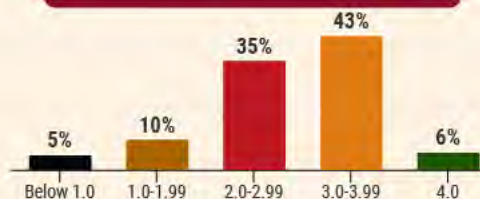


### New Arise Students



Average Number of New Students Annually = 283

### Cumulative GPAs



### Student Voices

#### Leadership Retreat

"A leader is humble, but still able to accept praise. Our experience on the ropes course brought this concept up because the people I was supporting and encouraging told me thank you after our experience together. I had a hard time genuinely accepting their thanks, but I realized that part of leadership is acknowledging your own strengths."

"I got emotional during the workshop because I put smoke in front of others but inside I struggle a lot and go and tend to cry at times."

#### Talking Circles

"We speak our language, because when language dies, culture dies."

"What motivates me? My goal, to make my parents proud regardless of going through community college."

"My mom pulled me aside and told me to don't worry about her, go to school and get my future."

"I know I will pick my family over anything, even school. They sacrifice so much for me to be here."

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Data helps us understand our students and how we may help.

- Quantitative and Qualitative
- Case management
- Fact sheet
- Annual Performance Report

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# Thank You! Questions?

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<http://mtsac.edu/arise>

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*Grads & Transfers Spring 2020 . . . During a Pandemic!*

# Discussing Asian American Violence and Hate through Social Theory



# NBC 4 Article on Thao: Who was the Asian American Police Officer charged with the Murder of George Floyd?

- The Highlighting of the complex Asian American and Black Relationship
- Thao, who has a history of being involved in use-of-force incidents, is being described by activists as a symbol of Asian American complicity in anti-blackness following the death of Floyd, a black man who begged for his life while then-Officer Derek Chauvin dug his knee into his neck for more than eight minutes.
- <https://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/national-international/officer-who-stood-by-as-george-floyd-died-highlights-complex-asian-american-black-relations/2446974/>



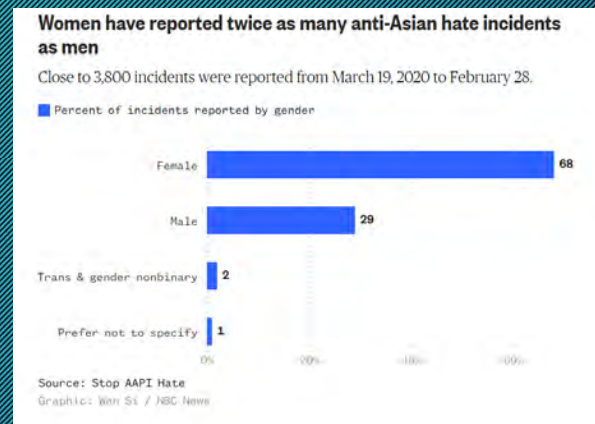
# The Atlanta Spa Shootings that killed 6 Asian Women



# Anti-Asian Violence and Hate



- [There were 3,800 anti-Asian racist incidents, mostly against women, in past year \(nbcnews.com\)](https://www.nbcnews.com)
- New data has revealed over the past year, the number of anti-Asian hate incidents — which can include shunning, slurs and physical attacks — is greater than previously reported. And a disproportionate number of attacks have been directed at women.



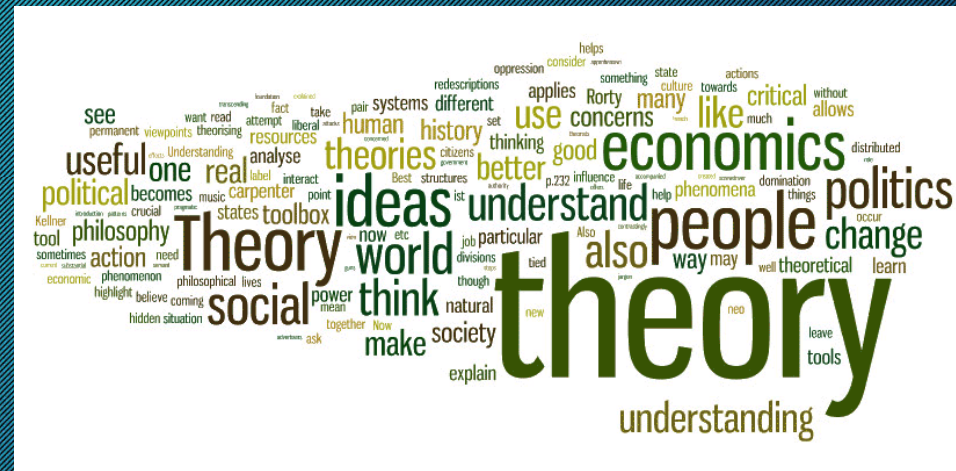
# Anti-Asian Violence and Hate: Dr. Russell Jeung

- Russell Jeung, professor of Asian American studies at San Francisco State University
- ...the coalescence of racism and sexism, including the stereotype that Asian women are meek and subservient, likely factors into this disparity.
- “There is an intersectional dynamic going on that others may perceive both Asians and women and Asian women as easier targets,” he said.
- “I think there are separate trends, the violence that we're seeing now and the racism we saw last year, but they are related,” Jeung said.
- Avoiding the term surge, this has always been a pervasive issue in the community



# Introduction to Social Theory

- What is social theory?
  - Intends to explain and analyze objects of social reality
  - Connections between individual concepts in order to organize and substantiate sociological/social knowledge
  - Kim: Racial Triangulation of Asian Americans
  - Kawai: Stereotyping Asian Americans: The Dialectic of the Model Minority and the Yellow Peril
  - Crenshaw: Intersectionality
- Racial thinking is conditioned by European ethnological frameworks
  - Ethnology is the study of different people
  - Mostly through a visual representation that is definable
- White opinionmakers construct these theories
- There are distinct and independent group trajectories for each race



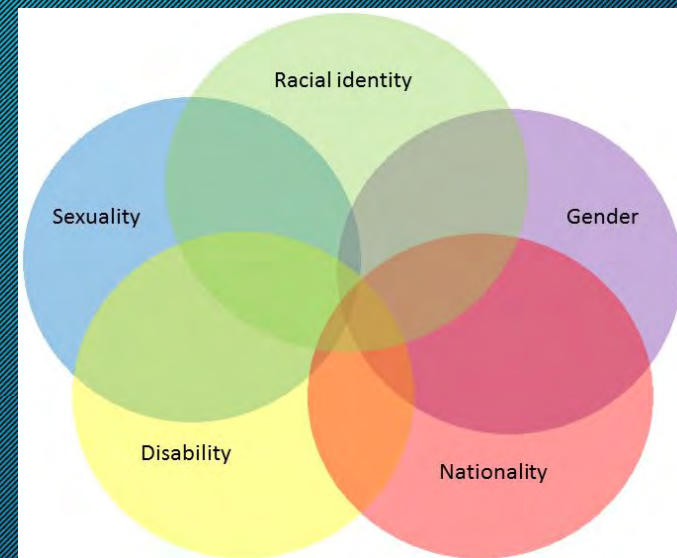
# Intersectionality as Critical Theory



**TABLE 1.1**

Intersectionality's Paradigmatic Ideas

CORE CONSTRUCTS	GUIDING PREMISES
Relationality	(1) Race, class, gender, and similar systems of power are interdependent and mutually construct one another.
Power	
Social inequality	(2) Intersecting power relations produce complex, interdependent social inequalities of race, class, gender, sexuality, nationality, ethnicity, ability, and age.
Social context	
Complexity	(3) The social location of individuals and groups within intersecting power relations shapes their experiences within and perspectives on the social world.
Social justice	
	(4) Solving social problems within a given local, regional, national, or global context requires intersectional analyses.

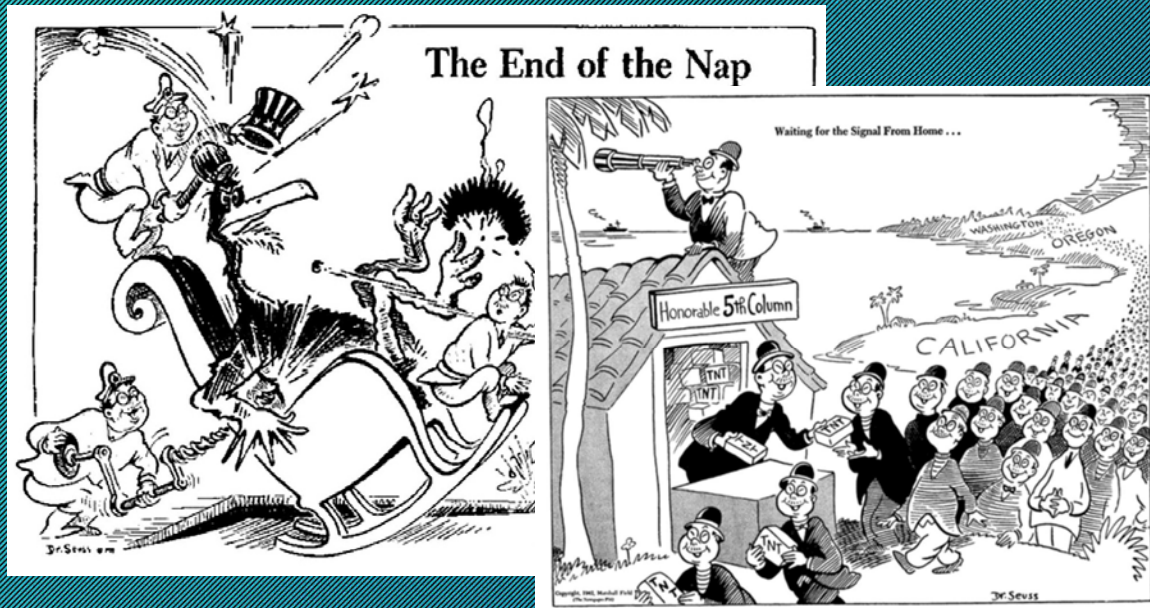


# Looking Beyond Black and White



# Yellow Peril and the Model Minority

- Who is constructing these discourses (debates/dialogue)?





# Yellow Peril



# The Model Minority



## Kim claims... through racial triangulation

- 1) “...that the public discourse about racial groups and their relative status generates a field of racial positions”
  - Cultivated by major opinionmakers which reinforces White dominance
  - 2 axes are defined: superior/inferior and insider/foreigner

Table 1

*The Model Minority Versus the Underclass*

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The Model Minority

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Diligence  
Discipline  
Strong family values  
Respect for authority  
Thriftiness  
Morality  
Self-sufficiency  
Respect for education

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The Underclass

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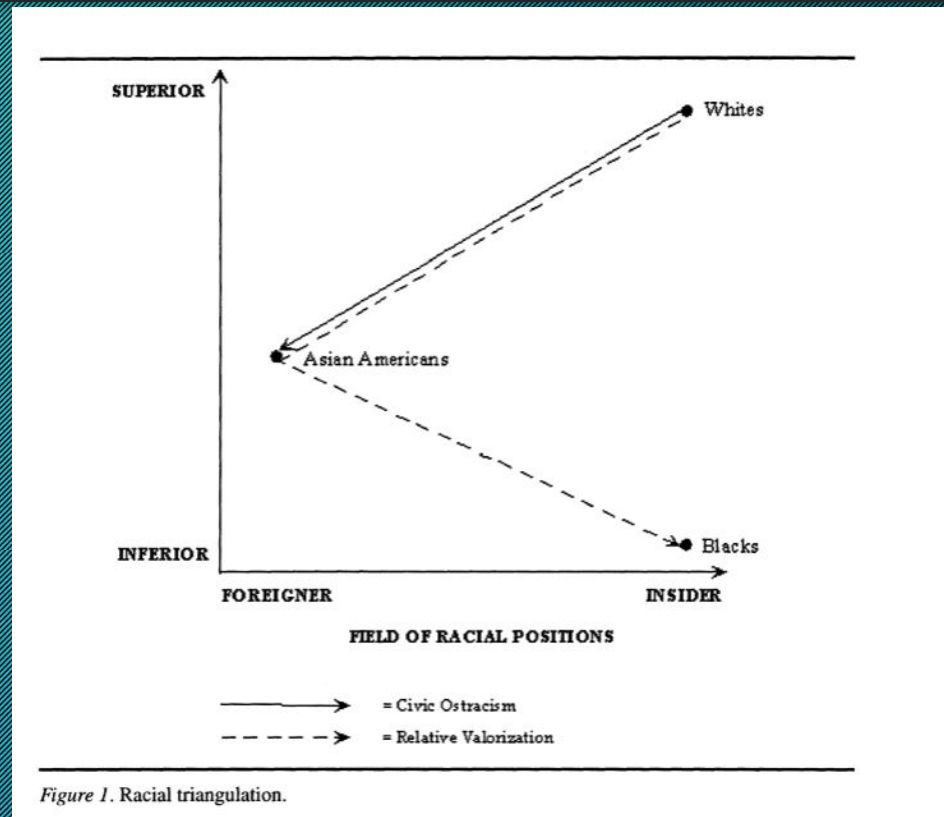
Laziness  
Lack of discipline  
Weak family values  
Criminal inclinations  
Inability to defer gratification  
Deviance  
Dependency  
Tendency to drop out

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## Kim claims...

- 2) Asians have been racially triangulated vis-a-vis Blacks and Whites
  - 1) Processes of “relative valorization’ Group A (Whites) valorizes/ascribes subordinate Group B (Asian Americans) relative to subordinate Group C (Blacks) on cultural and/or racial grounds in order to dominate both groups, but especially Group C”
  - 2) “Civic Ostracism whereby dominant group A (Whites) constructs subordinate Group B (Asian Americans) as immutably foreign and unassimilable with Whites on cultural and/or racial grounds in order to ostracize them from the body politic and civic membership”
- “Culture is conceived (and is)...a fixed property of social groups”
- An extension of racialization

# Racial Triangulation Figure

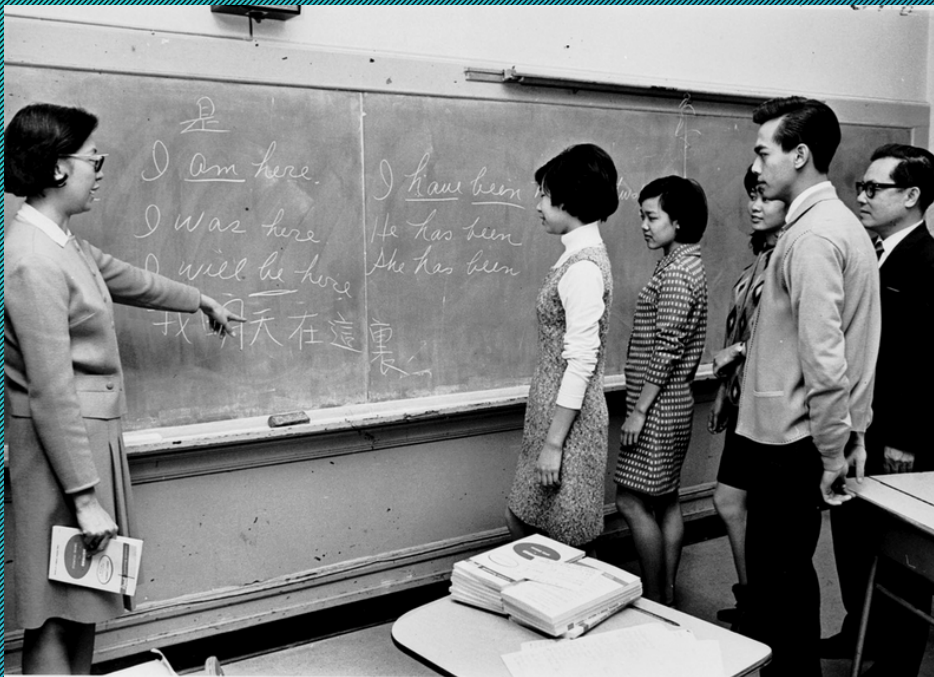


# Open Racial Triangulation: 1850-1950



- “Asian immigrants were seen as both unfit; were the only group in American history to be legally rendered ‘aliens ineligible to citizenship’.”

# Coded Racial Triangulation



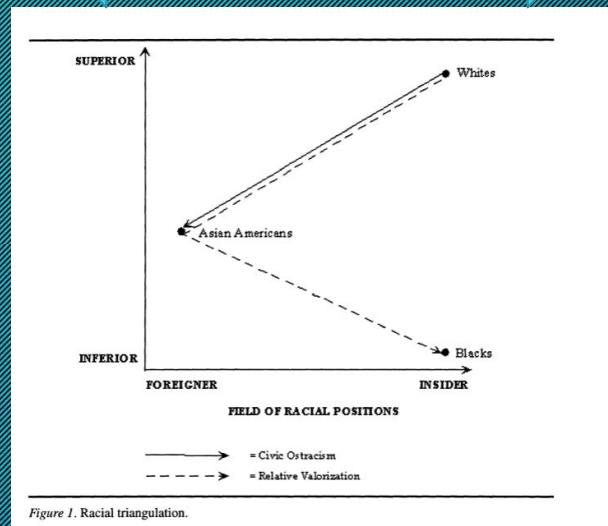
- Model Minority: where Asian American cultural values are superior to blacks—this is instilled through White Supremacy, major opinionmakers, media etc.



# Yellow Peril and Model Minority is Dialectically Intersectional

Yellow Peril

Model Minority



# Open and Coded Racial Triangulation 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century



# How we are still seen as Yellow Peril and the Model Minority today



# Violence by Individuals and the State



# How do we combat this?



ARISE!  
Asian American Pacific Islander Program & Services

Hotline (during this pandemic)   
909-703-3388



# Discussion Questions

- How have you experienced racism/ethnocentrism in the past?
- How does this relate to the AAPI community struggles?
- How have your views on AAPI folks changed over the course of this discussion?
- Did this discussion complicate matters for you even more?
- What are your thoughts on combatting racism and hate-crimes against not only the AAPI community but also the different BIPOC communities?



## Arise Financial Literacy Quiz Results

The AANAPISI grant at MT. SAC aims to provide a networked link of services and activities to improve the academic achievement and personal development of its students. The sudden closure of our campus in the spring 2020 term required the program to develop new methods of delivering services. One such method was utilizing Canvas software to develop the Arise Student Hub. One objective of this grant was to enhance our students' knowledge of financial literacy. One of the approaches we implemented was an online quiz in the Arise Hub. This report provides a summary of the outcomes of the quiz.

*This report is only possible because of the insight and assistance provided by IT, Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Aida Cuenza-Uvas, and the Arise grant staff. When you are referring to the data from this report, please remember to acknowledge that it was done through the Research and Institutional Effectiveness office in collaboration with the aforementioned persons and that it was completed on 3/3/2022.*

# Arise Financial Literacy Quiz Results

## Quiz Summary

Section Filter ▾

Student Analysis

Item Analysis

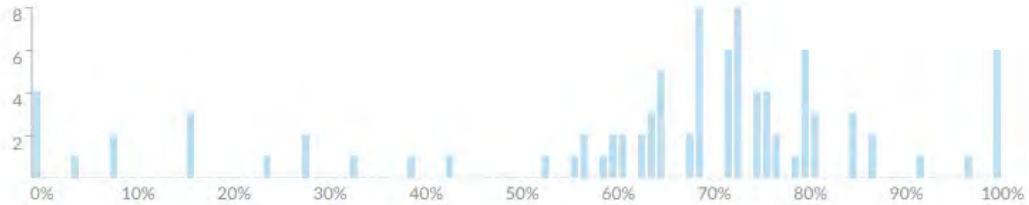
Average Score  
**64%**

High Score  
**100%**

Low Score  
**0%**

Standard Deviation  
**24.93**

Average Time  
**51:30:56**



## Question Breakdown

Attempts: 90 out of 92

**+0.36**

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**THE PURPOSE OF MONEY IS TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO...?**

A 51 bill's average lifespan is 6.6 years and will be used about 8000 times before it wears out.

Currency: Japanese Yen (JPY)

Buy things and others	7 respondents	8%	█
Buy and sell goods and services more easily	81 respondents	88%	█ ✓
Not have to work	2 respondents	2%	█
Be greedy		0%	█
No Answer	2 respondents	2%	█

88% answered correctly



Attempts: 88 out of 92

+0.04

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# WHAT IS A FIXED EXPENSE?

In the frontier days, deerskins (buckskins) were traded for goods. US currency replaced animals skins, but the 'buck' remained as slang for the \$1 bill.



Currency: United States Dollar (US\$)

Car payment	54 respondents	59 %	<div style="width: 59%;"></div>	✓
Credit card payment	9 respondents	10 %	<div style="width: 10%;"></div>	
Phone bill	15 respondents	16 %	<div style="width: 16%;"></div>	
Food	10 respondents	11 %	<div style="width: 11%;"></div>	
No Answer	4 respondents	4 %	<div style="width: 4%;"></div>	

59% answered correctly

Attempts: 88 out of 92

+0.3

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# TWO MAIN TYPES OF BANK ACCOUNTS ARE CALLED?

The most counterfeited bill in the US is the \$20.



Currency: Tongan Pa'anga (T\$)

Debit and Credit	6 respondents	7 %	<div style="width: 7%;"></div>	
Mortgages and Loans		0 %	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>	
Checking and Debit		0 %	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>	
Checking and Savings	82 respondents	89 %	<div style="width: 89%;"></div>	✓
No Answer	4 respondents	4 %	<div style="width: 4%;"></div>	

89% answered correctly

Attempts: 87 out of 92

+0.58

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**CHECKING ACCOUNTS ARE USED FOR STORING MONEY...?**



Currency: Philippine Peso (₱)

PIN (like your ATM PIN) stands for Personal Identification Number.

Short-term	72 respondents	78 %	<div style="width: 78%;"></div>	✓
Forever	2 respondents	2 %	<div style="width: 2%;"></div>	
For the week		0 %	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>	
Long-term	13 respondents	14 %	<div style="width: 14%;"></div>	
No Answer	5 respondents	5 %	<div style="width: 5%;"></div>	

78% answered correctly


Attempts: 85 out of 92

+0.3

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**SAVINGS ACCOUNTS ARE USED FOR STORING MONEY...?**



Currency: Chinese Yuan (元/¥)

The numerical range for credit scores is 300 - 850.

For the year		0 %	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>	
Long-term	79 respondents	86 %	<div style="width: 86%;"></div>	✓
Short-term	2 respondents	2 %	<div style="width: 2%;"></div>	
Forever	4 respondents	4 %	<div style="width: 4%;"></div>	
No Answer	7 respondents	8 %	<div style="width: 8%;"></div>	

86% answered correctly

Attempts: 83 out of 92

+0.27

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**MONEY IS THE PRIMARY WAY BANKS GENERATE PROFITS.**



Currency: Indian Rupee (₹)

Currency paper is composed of 25 percent linen and 75 percent cotton.

Transferring	3 respondents	3%	
Loaning	46 respondents	50%	
<b>Lending</b>	<b>31 respondents</b>	<b>34%</b>	✓
Mortgaging	3 respondents	3%	
No Answer	9 respondents	10%	

34% answered correctly

Attempts: 83 out of 92

+0.4

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**\_\_\_ IS A RATE THAT BANKS CHARGE FOR LENDING.**



Currency: Vietnamese Dong (đ/đ)

Credit card minimum payments are usually around 2-3% of the total balance.

Loan	2 respondents	2%	
Withdrawal	2 respondents	2%	
<b>Interest</b>	<b>79 respondents</b>	<b>86%</b>	✓
Deposit		0%	
No Answer	9 respondents	10%	

86% answered correctly

Attempts: 83 out of 92


+0.41

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**APR STANDS FOR?**

APR is the interest you are charged on your credit card purchases.



Currency: Samoan Tālā (WSS)

Automatic Prime Rate	0 %	
Automatic Performance Rate	2 %	2 respondents
<b>Annual Percentage Rate</b>	<b>86 %</b>	79 respondents
Annual Performance Rate	2 %	2 respondents
No Answer	10 %	9 respondents

86% answered correctly

Attempts: 83 out of 92

+0.15

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**HOW MANY FREE CREDIT REPORTS DO YOU GET PER YEAR?**

The main credit bureaus used in the US are Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion.



Currency: South Korean Won (₩)

<b>3</b>	<b>37 %</b>	34 respondents
1	39 %	36 respondents
2	10 %	9 respondents
0	4 %	4 respondents
No Answer	10 %	9 respondents

37% answered correctly

Attempts: 83 out of 92

+0.23

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**2 BIGGEST INFLUENCES ON YOUR CREDIT SCORE ARE?**



Currency: Pakistani Rupee (Rs)

FICO Score is a type of credit score. Different companies use different methods for credit scores. Fair Isaacs Corporation is a company that created the FICO Score.

Amount of debt and new credit	1 respondent	1 %	
Credit history length and payment history	40 respondents	43 %	
New credit and credit history length	2 respondents	2 %	
<b>Payment history and amount of debt</b>	<b>40 respondents</b>	<b>43 %</b>	
No Answer	9 respondents	10 %	

43% answered correctly

Attempts: 81 out of 92

+0.46

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**FAFSA STANDS FOR?**



Currency: Thai Baht (฿)

It is best practice to submit your FAFSA every year by or before March 2nd.

<b>Free Application for Federal Student Aid</b>	<b>62 respondents</b>	<b>67 %</b>	
Financial Aid for Students Application	14 respondents	15 %	
Financial Application for Free Student Aid	5 respondents	5 %	
Free Aid for Students Application		0 %	
No Answer	11 respondents	12 %	

67% answered correctly

Attempts: 81 out of 92

+0.11

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**MT.SAC CATEGORIZES FINANCIAL AID INTO WHAT 3 TYPES OF MONEY?**



Currency: Indonesian Rupiah (Rp)

Mt.SAC Financial Aid link:  
<https://www.mtsac.edu/financialaid/types-of-aid/types-of-aid.html>

Free money, Earned Money, Borrowed Money	18 respondents	20 %	<div style="width: 20%;"></div> ✓
Grants, Loans, Scholarships	60 respondents	65 %	<div style="width: 65%;"></div>
Dollars, Coins, Checks		0 %	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>
Free money, Grants, Earned money, Work study	3 respondents	3 %	<div style="width: 3%;"></div>
No Answer	11 respondents	12 %	<div style="width: 12%;"></div>

20% answered correctly

Attempts: 81 out of 92

+0.1

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**HOW MANY TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID CAN YOU RECEIVE?**



Currency: Cambodian Riel (៛)

99% of students nationwide complete the FAFSA online.

3	40 respondents	43 %	<div style="width: 43%;"></div>
4	30 respondents	33 %	<div style="width: 33%;"></div> ✓
1	4 respondents	4 %	<div style="width: 4%;"></div>
2	7 respondents	8 %	<div style="width: 8%;"></div>
No Answer	11 respondents	12 %	<div style="width: 12%;"></div>

33% answered correctly

Attempts: 80 out of 92

+0.45

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**WHAT ARE THE 4 TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID?**



Currency: Malaysian Ringgit (RM)

On average, it takes 24.13 minutes to complete the FAFSA from start to finish.

Grants, Scholarships, Loans, Cal Grants	10 respondents	11%	
Grants, Scholarships, Student Loans, Work-Study	59 respondents	64%	
Grants, Pell Grants, BOG Waiver, Loans	11 respondents	12%	
Grants, BOG Waiver, Loans, Work		0%	
No Answer	12 respondents	13%	

64% answered correctly

Attempts: 80 out of 92

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**WHICH TYPE OF BANK ACCOUNT OFFERS NO INTEREST?**

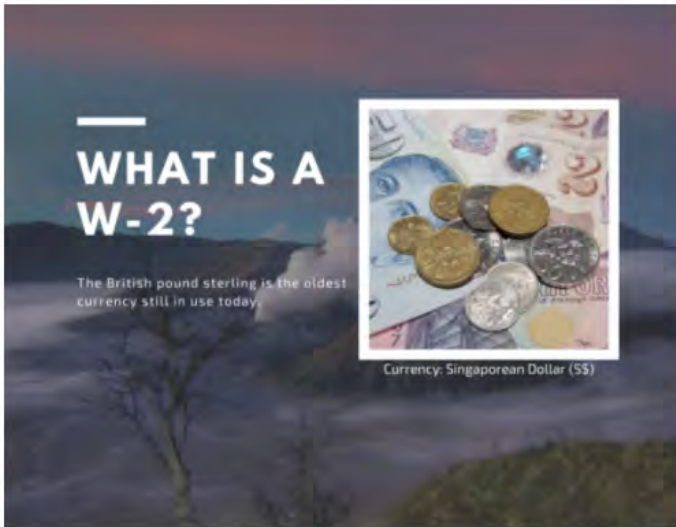


Currency: Papua New Guinean kina (K)

Only 21% of students aged 16 to 22 said they have taken a personal finance course in school.

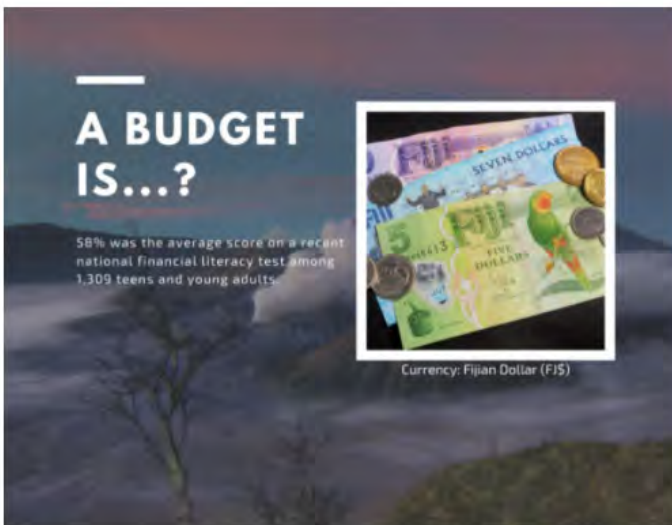
Money Market	5 respondents	5%	
Loan	3 respondents	3%	
Savings	9 respondents	10%	
Checking	63 respondents	68%	
No Answer	12 respondents	13%	

68% answered correctly



A form that an employer determines how much tax to withhold from a paycheck	26 respondents	28 %	<div style="width: 28%;"></div>
A life insurance policy	1 respondent	1 %	<div style="width: 1%;"></div>
<b>A form that an employer must send to an employee and the IRS at the end of the year</b>	51 respondents	55 %	<div style="width: 55%; background-color: #28a745;"></div> ✓
A paystub	2 respondents	2 %	<div style="width: 2%;"></div>
No Answer	12 respondents	13 %	<div style="width: 13%; background-color: #6c757d;"></div>

55% answered correctly



A money math problem	1 respondent	1 %	<div style="width: 1%;"></div>
Adding and subtracting money	1 respondent	1 %	<div style="width: 1%;"></div>
<b>A plan for all of your money - including money for fun stuff</b>	76 respondents	83 %	<div style="width: 83%; background-color: #28a745;"></div> ✓
A plan for never spending money	2 respondents	2 %	<div style="width: 2%;"></div>
No Answer	12 respondents	13 %	<div style="width: 13%; background-color: #6c757d;"></div>

83% answered correctly



Attempts: 79 out of 92

+0.27

Discrimination Index:



# WHAT IS FINANCIAL LITERACY?

The average debt of students when they graduated from college rose from \$18,550 (in 2004) to \$28,950 (in 2014), an increase of 56 percent.



Currency: Tuvaluan Dollar (T\$)


Investing and taking risks with money		0 %	<div style="width: 0%;"></div>
Being knowledgeable of financial terms	9 respondents	10 %	<div style="width: 10%;"></div>
Knowing how to manage your money including borrowing & saving money, and how to invest and plan for the future	69 respondents	75 %	<div style="width: 75%;"></div> ✓
Understanding finance problems	1 respondent	1 %	<div style="width: 1%;"></div>
No Answer	13 respondents	14 %	<div style="width: 14%; background-color: #ccc;"></div>

75% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 79

# WHAT IS A LIABILITY?

The penny is the only coin that the president faces the right.



Currency: French Pacific CFP Francs (F)

Bank debt	32 respondents	41 %	<div style="width: 41%;"></div> ✓
Money paid to insurance company	19 respondents	24 %	<div style="width: 24%;"></div>
Money owed to another person or institution	66 respondents	84 %	<div style="width: 84%;"></div> ✓
Wages owed	41 respondents	52 %	<div style="width: 52%;"></div> ✓
No Answer	13 respondents	16 %	<div style="width: 16%; background-color: #ccc;"></div>

23% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 92

+0.39

Discrimination Index



**WHAT IS AN NOT AN ASSET?**

The official term for the 'heads' side of the coin is 'obverse.'



Currency: Nauru Australian Dollar (AUD)

Personal cash	6 respondents	7%	
Money going into your pocket	2 respondents	2%	
<b>Money going out of your pocket</b>	<b>59 respondents</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b></b> ✓
Anything of value that can be converted into cash	12 respondents	13%	
No Answer	13 respondents	14%	

64% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 92

+0.1

Discrimination Index



**DEBT IS...?**

The official term for the 'tails' side of the coin is 'reverse.'



Currency: New Zealand/Kiwi Dollar (NZD)

<b>All the above</b>	<b>38 respondents</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b></b> ✓
Bad	1 respondent	1%	
Something, typically money, that is owed or due	39 respondents	42%	
Good	1 respondent	1%	
No Answer	13 respondents	14%	

41% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 92

+0.21

Discrimination Index



# WHAT IS NOT A LIABILITY?

Living people are banned from appearing on US coins or banknotes.



Currency: Lao Kip (₭)

Student loan	2 respondents	2 %	
<b>Paycheck</b>	<b>69 respondents</b>	<b>75 %</b>	✓
Credit card balance	7 respondents	8 %	
Auto loan	1 respondent	1 %	
No Answer	13 respondents	14 %	

75% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 92


-0

Discrimination Index



# TAXES ARE...?

More Monopoly money is printed every year than real money.



Currency: Myanmar Kyat (K)

Required only if you get a refund		0 %	
Not required for students		0 %	
<b>Money that people have to pay to the government</b>	<b>78 respondents</b>	<b>85 %</b>	✓
Voluntary	1 respondent	1 %	
No Answer	13 respondents	14 %	

85% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 79

**A EXAMPLE OF A TYPE OF TAX IS... (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)?**



Currency: Brunei Dollar (B\$)

8% of the world currency exists in physical cash. Meaning the majority is in some digital format.

Estate Tax	67 respondents	85 %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sales Tax	72 respondents	91 %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dollar Tax	17 respondents	22 %	<input type="checkbox"/>
Income Tax	74 respondents	94 %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No Answer	13 respondents	16 %	<input type="checkbox"/>

63% answered correctly

Attempts: 79 out of 92

**+0.1**

Discrimination Index



**A STOCK IS...?**

On the US \$5 bill, all 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial.



Currency: Sri Lankan Rupee LKR (Rs)

A place for investing	8 respondents	9 %	<input type="checkbox"/>
Used to talk about investing only		0 %	<input type="checkbox"/>
A market	2 respondents	2 %	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fractional pieces of publicly traded companies	69 respondents	75 %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No Answer	13 respondents	14 %	<input type="checkbox"/>

75% answered correctly



***Anti-Asian American Pacific  
Islander Hate in the Time of  
COVID-19***

***Dr. Russell Jeung***

# A Litany of Lament

- Customer began screaming at me for no reason while in line and correctly distanced at 6 feet. I am mostly Chinese and my family has been in San Luis Obispo since the 1860's. I am 4th generation in San Luis Obispo, but guess I will never be an American. (71 y.o., San Luis Obispo, CA)
- Waiting to cross the street, I felt something on my head and it turned out to be spit all over my hair and back of my coat. I was repeatedly spit on by a big white guy. (67 y.o., New York, NY)
- I was standing in an aisle at [a hardware store] when suddenly I was struck from behind. Video surveillance verifying the incident in which a white male using his bent elbow striking my upper back. Subsequent verbal attacks occurred with "Shut up, you Monkey!", "F\*\*k you Chinaman", "Go back to China", "...bringing that Chinese virus over here". (67 y.o., San Francisco, CA)

# A Litany of Lament

- On my daily walk in my hometown Sausalito wearing a face mask, a white woman yelled at me, "I hate Chinese people! Why do they come to this country!" when she passed me. I was stunned by her words and caused me to fear and be more alert of my surroundings. (71 y.o., Sausalito, CA)
- My wife and I were taking a walk minding our own business when two dogs tried to attack us. When the woman owner came to us she said: "the reason the dogs are afraid of you is because you eat dogs"! Then said: "you need to go back from where you came from!" We were shocked to hear this. (67 y.o., Sammamish, WA)
- Waiting to enter [pharmacy] to get prescription, group of construction workers not doing social distancing, made fun of me, faking coughing, spitting and made slant eyes. No one else called this person out. (68 y.o., Oakland, CA)

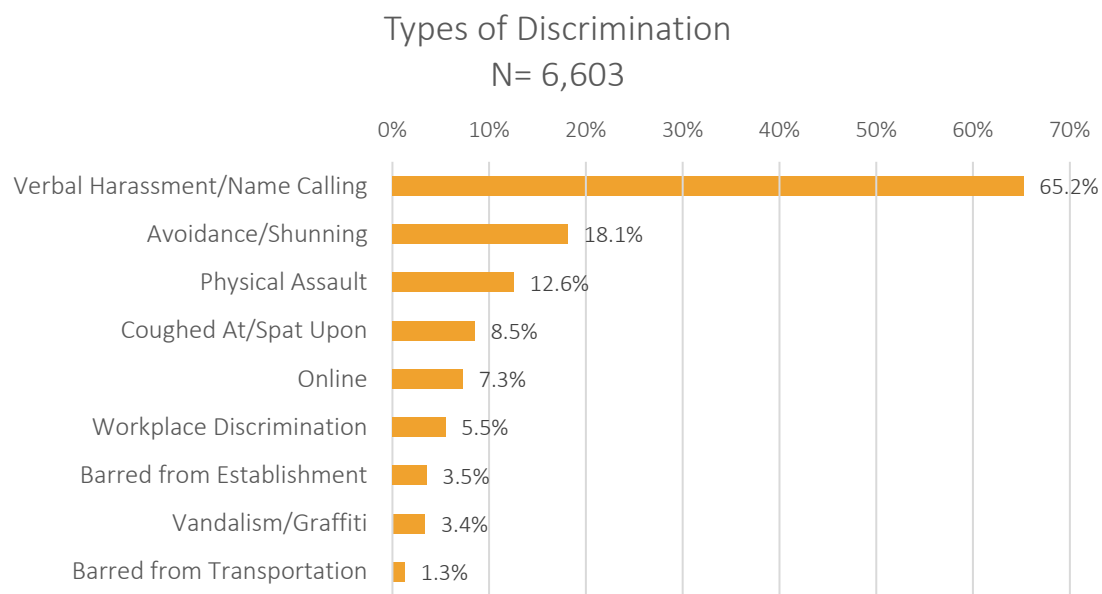
# A Litany of Lament

- I was shopping & child grabbed my arm. Child said I should, “Go back to my country!” & I was the “reason his father died.” Mother came up & put her hand on my arm, but she didn't try to help me. Bakersfield occasionally has ignorant people who make fun of how I talk and look and tell me to go home. But this is scariest & saddest experience I've had in US since about 1977. (70 y.o., Bakersfield, CA)
- As I was leaving the restaurant, white male stormed up to me and verbally harassed and terrorized me -- screaming "return to China you f\*\*\*ing Asian" and other hateful, racial slurs... threatening me physically. A clear case of racial hatred towards me. I gave a verbal account to an officer who arrived later. I have not heard back from anyone. (67 y.o., Alamo, CA)



# A Moment of Silence

- Pak Ho, 75 y.o. Chinese American robbed and killed in Oakland on 3/9/21
- Juanito Falcon, 74 y.o. Filipino American of Phoenix, AZ, was punched in the face, fell to the ground on 2/21/20 and died two days later
- Vicha Ratanapakdee, 84 y.o. Thai American of San Francisco, was shoved and killed on 1/28/21
- Christian Hall, 19 y.o. Chinese American, shot seven times and killed by police in Monroe Co, PA on 12/30/20
- Angelo Quinto, 30 y.o. Filipino American of Antioch, killed by the police with a chokehold on 12/23/20
- Those shot in Atlanta GA and Indianapolis IN



## Type of Discrimination

- 12.0% are under 18 y.o.
- 6.6% over 60 y.o.
- Women attacked twice as often as men

# POLITICAL RHETORIC

NEWS 18

**'The Plague Came Over': Trump Rips into China for its Failure to Contain Coronavirus**

abc NEWS CORONAVIRUS GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

## Pompeo pushes 'Wuhan virus' label to counter Chinese disinformation

*But he failed to convince G7 allies to adopt the term during a recent summit.*

### Donald Trump Explains Why He Called Coronavirus 'China Virus,' Lies About Taking Outbreak Seriously

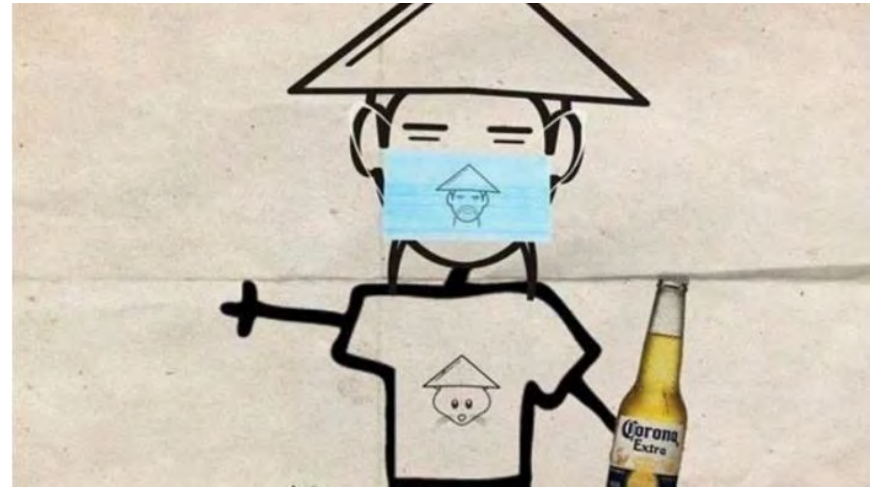
The New York Times

## *Faced With Crisis and Re-election, Senate Republicans Blame China*

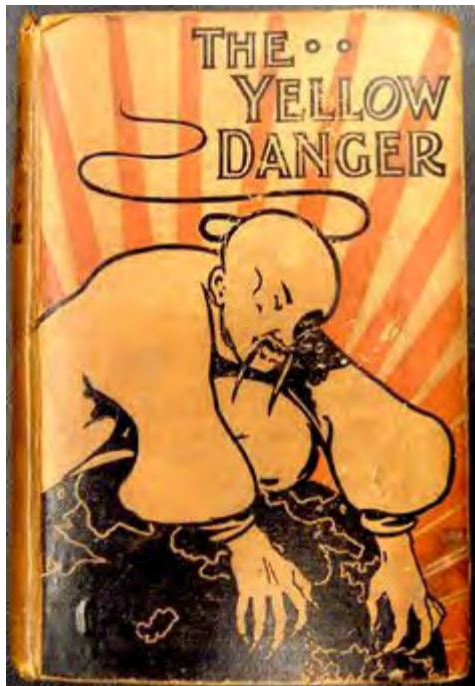
Politically endangered Republicans are scrambling to make their contests referendums on China rather than the coronavirus pandemic.



"China is to blame for this pandemic and the death of thousands of Americans," said Senator Martha McSally, Republican of Arizona. Anna Moneymaker/The New York Times



## Media Representations



The Yellow Peril:  
Racialized  
stereotype that  
Asians are a  
threat to the  
West



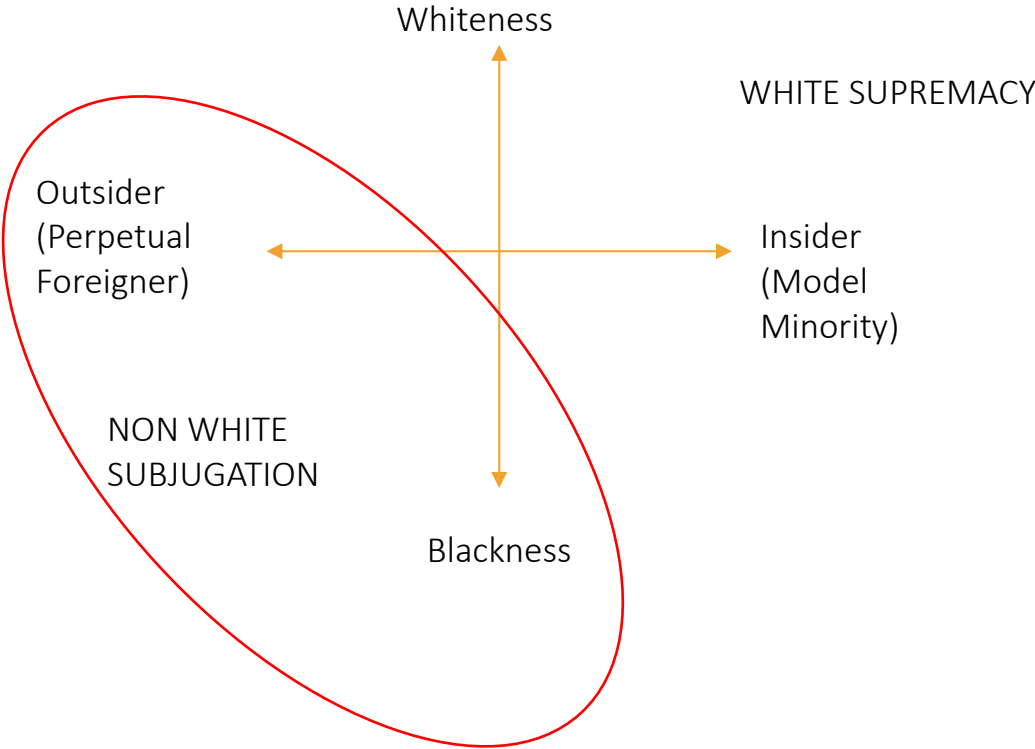


## San Francisco's bubonic plague epidemic has eerie parallels to modern day

By Katie Dowd, SFGATE Updated 2:28 pm PDT, Thursday, April 9, 2020



# Racialization of Asian Americans





# Intersectional (Race X Gender) Objectification of Asian American Women



Outsider  
(Perpetual  
Foreigner/ Dragon  
Lady)



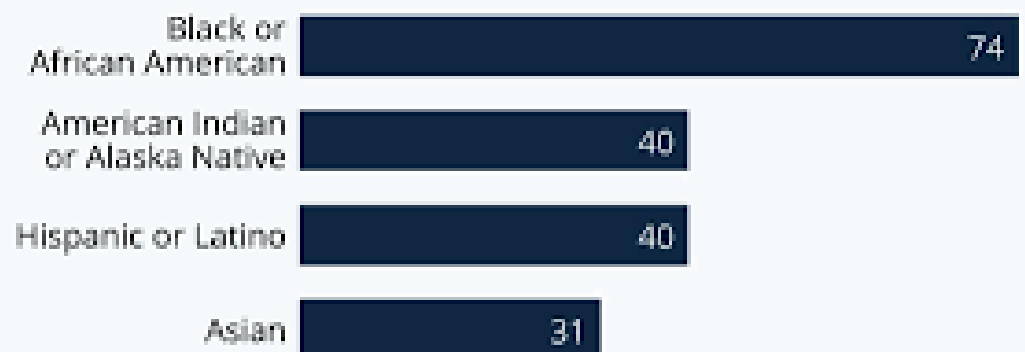
Insider  
(Model  
Minority/China  
Doll)



# COMMUNITY IMPACTS

## The Pandemic's Racial Disparity

Covid-19 deaths per 100,000 people in the U.S.  
by race or ethnicity (as of July 30, 2020)



155% increase in depression

94% increase in stress

93% increase in anxiety

78% increase in somatic symptoms<sup>2</sup>

# MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH

## How COVID-19 Can Impact Asian American Mental Health

Nina K. Billingsley, M.A. [Follow](#)  
Jun 29 · 6 min read



<sup>2</sup> Liu, Charles and Tao Liu, (2020). Depression and Anxiety as a Result of COVID-19 Anti-Asian Racism. Unpublished paper, Wheaton College, IL

10.7% unemployment

75% of nearly 2 m. small businesses can't access govt assistance

233,000 Asian-owned businesses closed from Feb – April, a 28% decline<sup>3</sup>

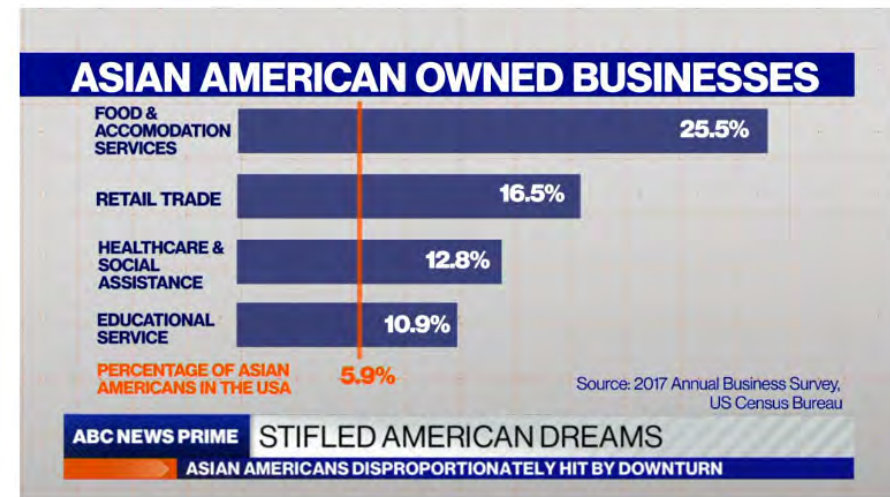
## UNEMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS CLOSURES

### Community left behind: Asian American businesses affected by COVID-19

*Asian American unemployment has quadrupled since the pandemic hit.*

By Jason Kuang, Imtiaz Delawala, and Allie Yang

September 10, 2020, 4:40 PM • 8 min read



Asian Americans facing slower economic recovery

<sup>3</sup>Mar, Don and Paul Ong. (2020). COVID-19's Employment Disruptions to Asian Americans. *UCLA Center for Neighborhood Knowledge*.

IMMIGRATION

## Trump's COVID-19 visa bans may alter the face of American immigration beyond the pandemic

The president's executive orders barring several types of visas and green cards will most affect immigrant hopefuls from Asian, African and Latino countries.

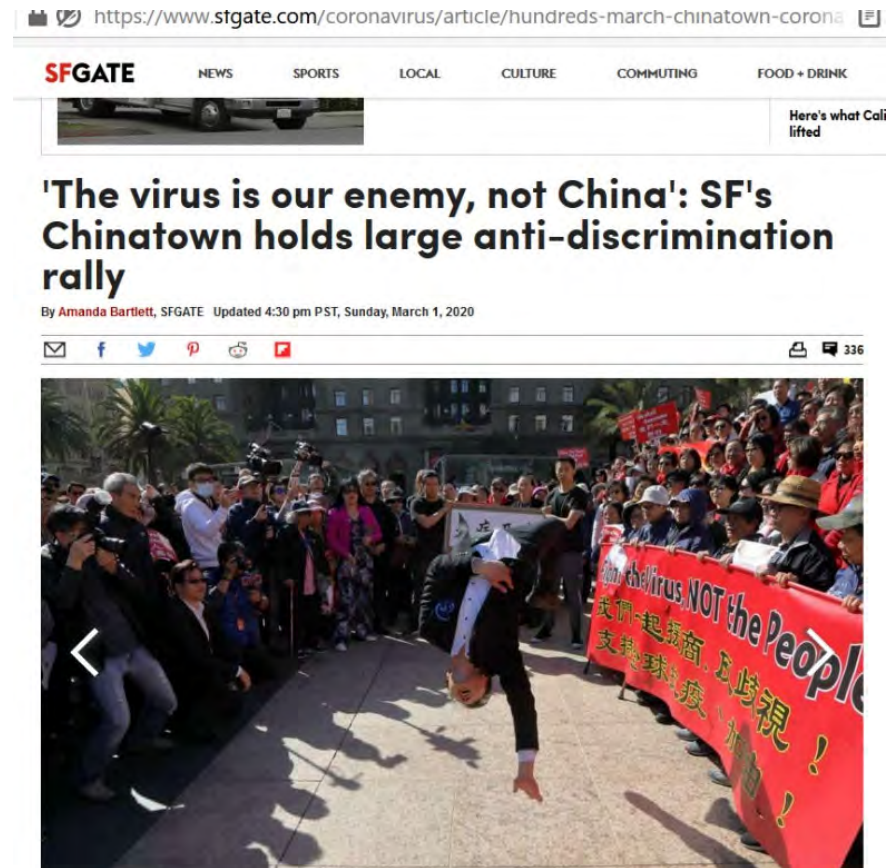
## ANTI-IMMIGRANT POLICIES

### How Trump's WeChat ban cuts off a lifeline for Asians, could cost him support

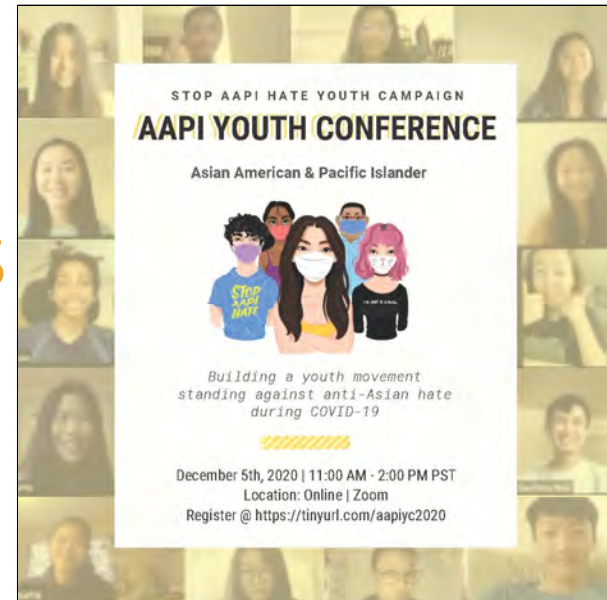
"Facebook is banned in China. ... We might go back to the old phone cards."



# COMMUNITY RESISTANCE



# Youth Campaigns



NBC Bay Area

## San Mateo Girl Organizes Rally to Denounce Hate Crimes Against Asian Community

They want Asian-American victims to not be afraid of reporting crimes, something organizers say is crucial to making progress. "I do think that a lot

...



# Social Media Campaigns

 **Tweet**

 **ESPN**  
@espn

"Being a 9 year NBA veteran doesn't protect me from being called 'coronavirus' on the court."

Jeremy Lin detailed the racism that he and other Asian Americans have experienced. [#StopAsianHate](#)

(via @jlin7)




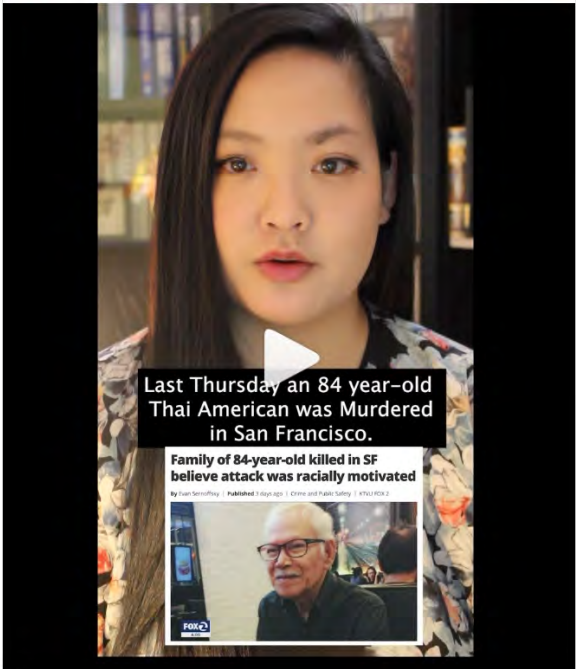
Lin? Something is changing in this generation of Asian Americans. We are tired of being told that we don't experience racism, we are tired of being told to keep our heads down and not make trouble. We are tired of Asian American kids growing up and being asked where they're REALLY from, of having our eyes mocked, of being stereotyped as nerds or being told we're inherently unathletic. We are tired of the stereotypes in Hollywood affecting our psyche and limiting who we think we can be. We are tired of being invisible, of being mislabeled for our colleague or told our struggles aren't as real.

I want better for my elders who worked so hard and sacrificed so much to make a life for themselves here. I want better for my race and my future and future kids. I want better for the next generation of Asian American athletes than to have to work so hard to just be "respectably nerdy."

Being an Asian American doesn't mean we don't experience poverty and racism.  
Being a 9 year NBA veteran doesn't protect me from being called "coronavirus" on the court.  
Being a man of faith doesn't mean I don't fight for justice, for myself and for others.

So here we are again, asking how we feel. IS ANYONE LISTENING??


 **amandangocnguyen**  
Original Audio [View Profile](#)



Last Thursday an 84 year-old Thai American was Murdered in San Francisco.

Family of 84-year-old killed in SF believe attack was racially motivated

By Ivan Serrano | Published 3 days ago | Crime and Public Safety | 17/03/21





# Chinatown Rallies



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[www.stopaapihate.org](http://www.stopaapihate.org)



## Year 5 Virtual Events Montage

The AANAPISI grant at MT. SAC aims to provide a networked link of services and activities to improve the academic achievement and personal development of its students. The sudden closure of our campus in the spring 2020 term required the program to develop new methods of delivering services. As a result the Arise program developed methods of serving students through virtual events. This report provides a brief overview of many of the events that were held in year five of the grant.

Prepared by, P. Tutasi Asuega Program Specialist II, Arise Program (AANAPISI), Student Services

*This report is only possible because of the insight and assistance provided by IT, Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Aida Cuenza-Uvas, and the Arise grant staff. When you are referring to the data from this report, please remember to acknowledge that it was done through the Research and Institutional Effectiveness office in collaboration with the aforementioned persons and that it was completed on 3/8/2022.*

# Fall 2020 Events



Anticipating the very first, virtual semester, our Peer Mentors decided a Spirit Week was needed. They selected themes for each day then encouraged students to participate and post on the Arise Hub

This Fall Fono was centered around learning your Learning Style. Kristina Alvarado from from the Academic Support and Achievement Center, shared helpful insight with our students.



# Fall 2020 Events



MT.SAC ARISE PRESENTS

## "TIME IS MONEY"

COME AND LEARN ABOUT  
FINANCIAL AND TIME MANAGEMENT

### FALE FONO

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 7TH, 2020  
3PM-4PM

ZOOM CODE: 950 5797 7318  
PASSWORD: 10620

GUEST SPEAKER  
KARE'L LOKENI  
ARISE EDUCATIONAL ADVISOR

TO REQUEST DISABILITY RELATED ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CONTACT US AT LEAST 5 DAYS IN ADVANCE, TUTASI ASUEGA | PASUEGA@MTSAC.EDU

Our Educational Advisor, Kare'l Lokeni, virtually led our students through an event that emphasized the importance of financial responsibilities as a student and as an adult.

We invited Gio Rodriguez (Coordinator, Student Activities) from Student Life to share insights on national and local ballot measures.





## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT FALE FONO

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COME LEARN WHAT WE'LL BE  
VOTING FOR!

.....

**OCTOBER 21st**  
**3pm-4pm**  
**Zoom Meeting ID:**  
**955 7973 4828**

**The future of the nation rests in your hands.  
Come learn and prepare for Election Day.**

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# Fall 2020 Events



**MUSIC & MOTIVATION  
FALE FONO**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH  
FROM 3PM-4PM**

**ZOOM LINK: 955 7973 4828**

**JOIN US AS WE LISTEN AND JAM OUT  
TO DIFFERENT TUNES!**

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A centering event around music that gave needed motivation.

Our annual collaboration with the International Student Program was focused around gratitude. Peer Mentors from both programs presented.



**ARISE IN COLLABORATION WITH  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM**

*present*

**"THANKS AROUND  
THE WORLD"**

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US  
AS WE SHARE AND DISCUSS HOW  
DIFFERENT CULTURES EXPRESS  
THANKS, RESPECT & GRATITUDE.**

**WEDNESDAY  
NOVEMBER 18TH  
3PM - 4PM**

**ZOOM ID: 955 7973 4828**

**(ARISE FRONT DESK)**

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Spring 2021

# Rising Up Against Anti-Asian Hate & Violence

March 23, 2021

**RISING UP AGAINST  
ANTI-ASIAN  
HATE AND VIOLENCE**

The Arise Program will be holding a safe space for our Mt. SAC students. If you are feeling concerned or fearful for yourself or loved ones, we are here to offer support, tools, resources, and breakout rooms for counseling.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 23RD  
AT 5PM  
ZOOM LINK: 95579734828  
(ARISE VIRTUAL FRONT DESK)**

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Tatali Asuega-pasewaga@mtc.edu

After the Atlanta shootings on March 16, 2021, the Arise Program wanted to create a safe space for our students to feel supported and offer counseling resources.

95 people were in attendance.

Spring 2021

# That's Major: Nursing Edition

March 24, 2021

That's  
**MAJOR**  
career exploration with Arise  
**NURSING**  
edition

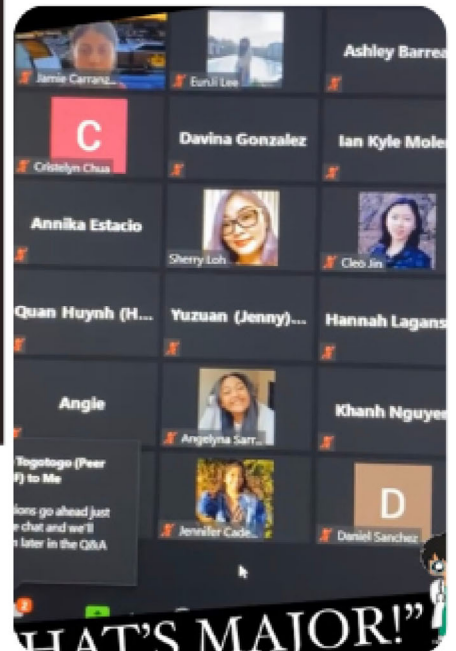
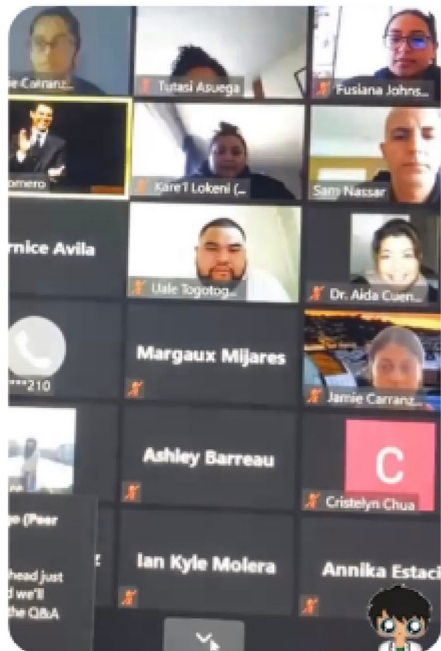
Learn more about your major and others. Hear from the department, counselor, and experienced professionals in your field.

Sam Nassar, Counselor of Nursing  
Oscar Romero, Professor of Nursing  
Bernice Avila-Hernandez & Alexia Avila  
Alexia Avila in PPE gear

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24TH**  
**4PM-5PM**  
**ZOOM: 955 7973 4828**  
(Arise Virtual front desk)

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Tatiana Asuega psuega@msac.edu

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*Department Representative*  
**Oscar Romero**

- RN for 30 years
- Teaching at MSAC Nursing for 15 years
- Worked in Intensive Care Unit (ICU) ER, Med Surg, Orthopedics, and Oncology.
- Credentials include Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) and Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP).

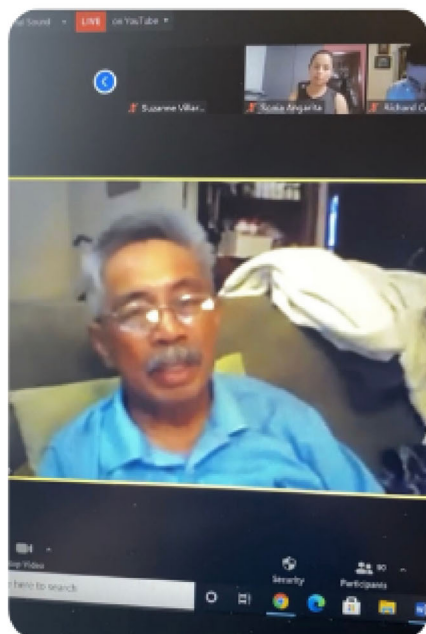
"That's Major" is a career exploration event that was created during the pandemic. This event encouraged students to explore a variety of majors and motivated them to stay focused on their goals.



Spring 2021

# The Farmworkers Movement & the Untold Stories

March 30, 2021



Arise collaborated with El Centro for an event centered around the Farmworkers movement. Special guests from Delano, Alex Edillor and Roger Gadiano with Mt. SAC professor, April Tellez, were able to share inspirational stories and experiences.

Spring 2021

# That's Major



That's  
**MAJOR**  
career exploration with Arise

**UNDECIDED**  
edition

Learn more about your major and others. Hear from the department, counselor and experienced professionals in your field.



Sandra Padilla,  
Counselor

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7TH**  
**3PM-4PM**  
**ZOOM: 955 7973 4828**  
(Arise Virtual front desk)

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Counselor, Sandra Padilla continues our "That's Major" series by discussing tools and resources that can help students who are undecided about their major.

Zooming in from Hawaii, Falefia Fuamatu shared his experience as an Arts Major in college. Counselor, Sara Mestas, and professor of the Arts, Sunil Thankamushy, were able to help students navigate this major.



That's  
**MAJOR**  
career exploration with Arise

**ARTS**  
edition

Come learn more about your major and others. Hear from the department, counselor and experienced professionals in your field.



Sara Mestas,  
Counselor of Arts

Falefia Jr. Brandon  
Fuamatu,  
Events and Productions  
Manager

Sunil Thankamushy,  
Professor of Arts

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21ST**  
**4PM-5:30PM**  
**ZOOM: 955 7973 4828**  
(Arise Virtual front desk)

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Spring 2021

# Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month



**ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER**  
*Heritage Month*

**LIBRARY RESEARCH GUIDE**  
[mtsac.libguides.com/apai](https://mtsac.libguides.com/apai)  
Guide contains information, virtual case videos, and e-books.

**MAY 5TH**  
4PM - 5:30PM  
Zoom: 95579734828  
That's Major: Business Award Winning Chef, Sam Choy

**MAY 6TH**  
5PM - 6:30PM  
Zoom: 95579734828  
"Who's Afraid of Asians? Understanding 'Yellow Peril' (Anti-Asian Racism) in the U.S., Then and Now

**MAY 13TH**  
4:30PM - 6PM  
Link: [bit.ly/equitytalksmay2021](https://bit.ly/equitytalksmay2021)  
Equity Talk: Anti-Asian Racism & the rise in Violence during the Pandemic, Dr. Russell Jeung

**MAY 19TH**  
4PM - 5:30PM  
Zoom: 95579734828  
That's Major: STEM Twitter Software Engineer, Andrew Taelain

**MAY 27TH**  
6PM - 7:30PM  
Zoom: 95579734828  
Cultural Night Arise Student, Staff, and Faculty, share their API heritage.

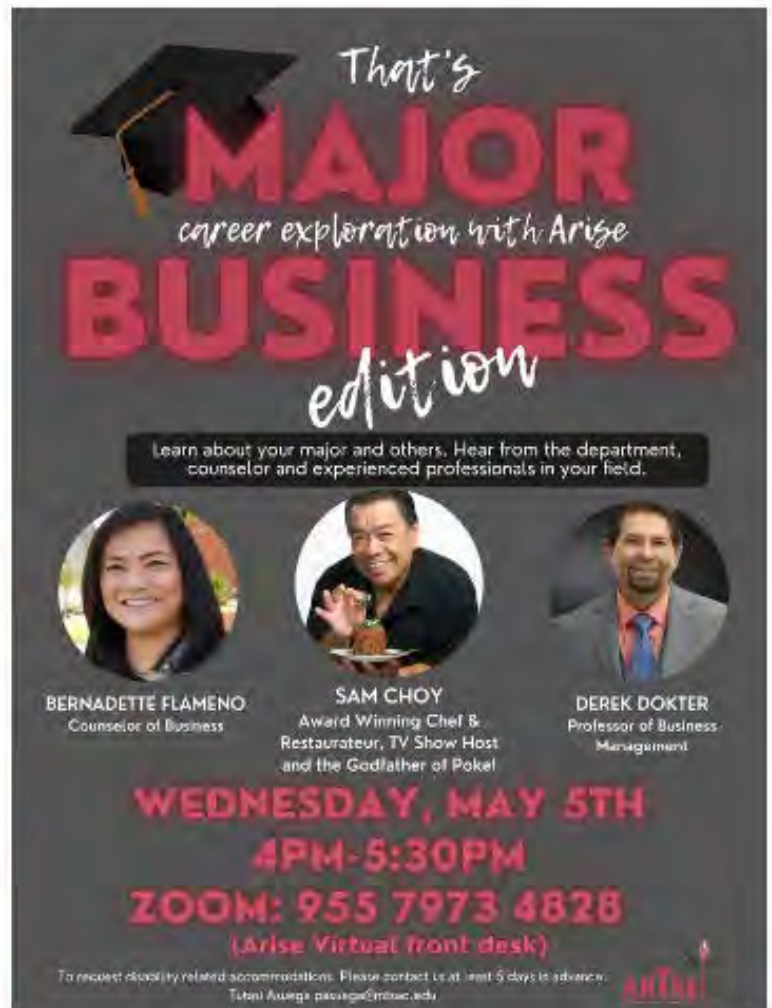
**SOCIAL MEDIA Padlet Link**  
[Arise Instagram](#)  
API Heritage short stories, featuring four Arise Students

How do you celebrate API Heritage month?  
History of Arise  
"What does it mean to you to be an API educator?"

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Arise celebrates Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month



That's **MAJOR BUSINESS** edition  
career exploration with Arise

Learn about your major and others. Hear from the department, counselor and experienced professionals in your field.


**BERNADETTE FLAMENO**  
Counselor of Business

**SAM CHOY**  
Award Winning Chef & Restaurateur, TV Show Host and the Godfather of Pokel

**DEREK DOKTER**  
Professor of Business Management

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 5TH**  
4PM-5:30PM  
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Award Winning Chef, Sam Choy was able to share his experience in Business and offer advice to the Arise students. Mt. SAC's Business counselor and Business professor were able to share as well.

# Spring 2021

**WHO IS AFRAID OF ASIANS?**  
**UNDERSTANDING "YELLOW PERIL"  
(ANTI-ASIAN RACISM) IN THE U.S., THEN AND NOW**

THURSDAY, MAY 6TH

Arise Virtual Front Desk:

APRIL PEREZ, Professor of History  
KEVIN KIM, Professor of Sociology  
JESSALYN TANAKA, Professor of Sociology

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ARISE

Arise collaborated with the Mountie Mentor Program : to have Dr. Russell Jeung present to our students about Anti-Asian Racism & the rise in violence during the pandemic.

Mt. SAC professors shared about "Yellow Peril" in the United States and its affect on our past, present, and future.

## Mountie Mentor Program

### EQUITY TALKS



Anti-Asian Racism & the Rise in Violence during the Pandemic

Dr. Russell Jeung  
Professor,  
Asian American Studies  
San Francisco State University &  
Co-Founder of stopaaphate.org

Thursday  
May 13th  
4:30pm-6:00pm

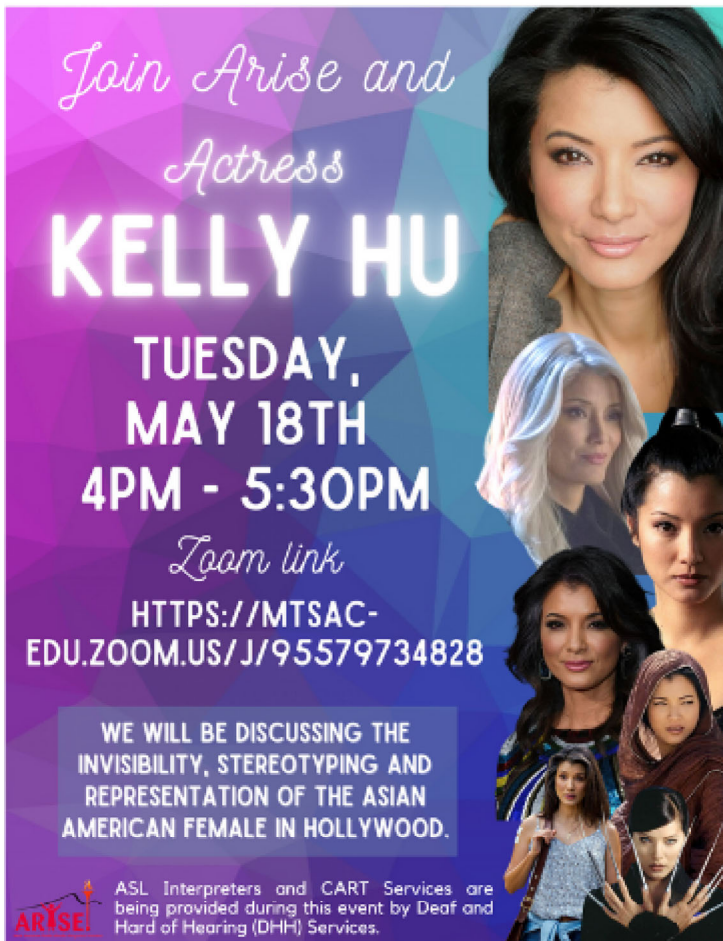
Zoom link:  
<https://bit.ly/equitytalkmay2021>

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Need a helping hand?



# Spring 2021



Join Arise and  
Actress  
**KELLY HU**  
TUESDAY,  
MAY 18TH  
4PM - 5:30PM  
*Zoom link*  
[HTTPS://MTSAC-  
EDU.ZOOM.US/J/95579734828](https://mtsac-edu.zoom.us/j/95579734828)

WE WILL BE DISCUSSING THE  
INVISIBILITY, STEREOTYPING AND  
REPRESENTATION OF THE ASIAN  
AMERICAN FEMALE IN HOLLYWOOD.

ASL Interpreters and CART Services are  
being provided during this event by Deaf and  
Hard of Hearing (DHH) Services.



Celebrity  
Actress, Kelly  
Hu, joined the  
Arise Program  
via zoom to  
share about  
her experience  
as an Asian  
American  
female in  
Hollywood.

Closing out our "That's  
Major" series for the  
semester, Andrew  
Taeoali'i from Twitter,  
shared his experience as a  
STEM major in college. Mt.  
SAC STEM counselor and  
coordinator, shared  
resources.



That's  
**MAJOR**  
*career exploration with Arise*  
**STEM**  
*edition*

Learn about your major and others. Hear from the department,  
counselor and experienced professionals in your field.

**Jason Hayward**  
Counselor of STEM

**Andrew Taeoali'i,**  
Senior Software  
Engineer at Twitter

**James Reed**  
Project/Program  
Coordinator-STEM

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 19TH**  
**4PM-5:30PM**  
**ZOOM: 955 7973 4828**  
**(Arise Virtual front desk)**

To request disability related accommodations, please contact us at least 5 days in advance.  
Tatai Auwaga pawaga@mtsac.edu

Equity Center Presents:

## Mt. SAC Scholarship Marathon

We are hosting a month long event breaking down the scholarship application for you. Financial Aid & Scholarship Specialists, Equity Center Staff, and Writing Center Tutors will be here to assist you through every step of the process.

Mt. SAC Scholarship: <https://www.mtsac.edu/scholarships/>

### Workshop Dates & Times:

Each workshop will cover a specific aspect of the scholarship application. Workshops will be recorded for later viewing.

Overview of Scholarship Application	Monday March 29, 5:00-5:45 PM
Overview of Essay Question #1	Monday April 5, 5:00-5:45 PM
Overview of Essay Question #2 & #3	Monday April 12, 5:00-5:45 PM
Overview of Essay Question #4	Monday April 19, 5:00-5:45 PM
Day of Deadline Application Review	Monday April 26, 5:00-11:59 PM

### Application Review Drop-In Hours:

Support staff will be available during these times to review all or parts of your scholarship application.

Thursday April 8, 12-1PM	If these times do not work for you, you can schedule an appointment with a counselor by visiting <a href="http://bit.ly/equitycounselor">bit.ly/equitycounselor</a> or email <a href="mailto:scholarships@mtsac.edu">scholarships@mtsac.edu</a> to meet with a Scholarship Specialist
Thursday April 15, 3-4PM	
Thursday April 22, 12-1PM	

**Zoom Link for all sessions:**  
<http://bit.ly/ecscholarship21>

Contact Info:

Email: [equitycenter@mtsac.edu](mailto:equitycenter@mtsac.edu)

Call/text: 909-784-5255

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The scholarship marathon and individual appointments to assist students in completing their scholarship applications aided in this outcome.

# Arise Student Scholarship Application Support

87 Arise students applied



Resulting in 66 scholarships for

# 36 Arise Students

Totaling

# \$52,000



## Arise Student Hub Usage

The AANAPISI grant at MT. SAC aims to provide a networked link of services and activities to improve the academic achievement and personal development of its students. The sudden closure of our campus in the spring 2020 term required the program to develop new methods of delivering services. One such method was utilizing Canvas software to develop the Arise Student Hub. This brief summary provides some information about usage and outcomes for the students who utilized this new platform.

*This report is only possible because of the insight and assistance provided by IT, Audrey Yamagata-Noji, Aida Cuenza-Uvas, and the Arise grant staff. When you are referring to the data from this report, please remember to acknowledge that it was done through the Research and Institutional Effectiveness office in collaboration with the aforementioned persons and that it was completed on 3/3/2022.*

# Arise Hub Usage

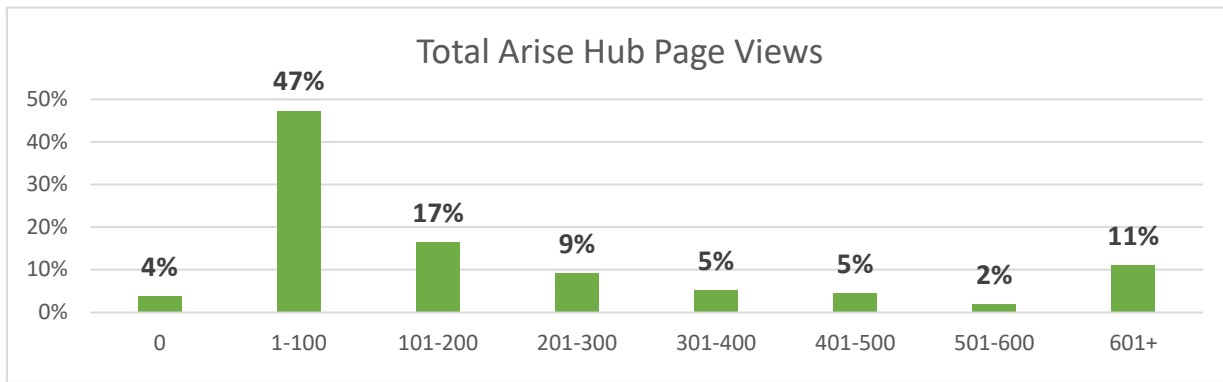
The debut of the Arise Hub to Arise students began the week of April 5th, 2020. Since that time, 655 students were invited to join the Arise Canvas Hub. 95% or 621 Arise students joined.

## Hub Usage April 5, 2020 - February 22, 2022

Total Views	Count	Percent
0	24	4%
1-100	294	47%
101-200	103	17%
201-300	58	9%
301-400	33	5%
401-500	28	5%
501-600	12	2%
601+	69	11%

96% of the Arise students who accepted the invitation to join the Arise Hub viewed at least one since joining.

**Total                      621                      100%**



**Total                      Weekly**  
**Total Hub Page Views    201,687                      2079**

### Average Views

	All	Weekly*
Mean Views	338	3
Median Views	96	1
Mode Views	13	0

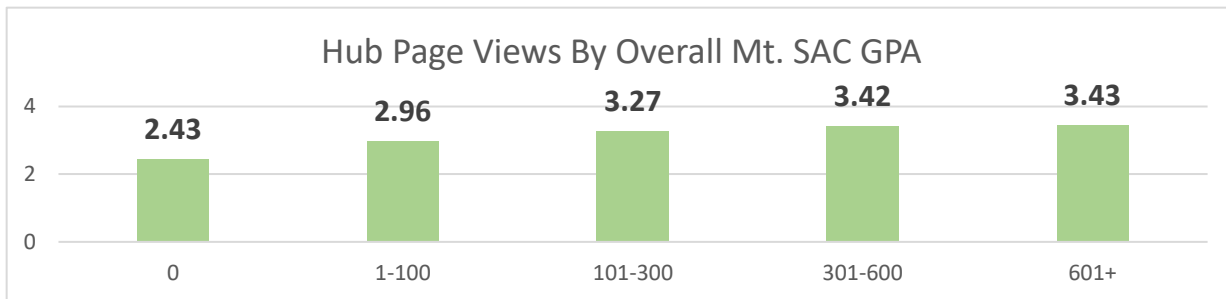
The Arise Hub has been available to students for 97 weeks. During this time, the students logged 201,687 page views. Weekly this means that students viewed an average of 2079 pages. This includes all weeks including when classes were not in session. The mean or average number of views by all of the students who accepted an invitation to the Hub was 338.

\*97 weeks includes periods where classes were not in session.

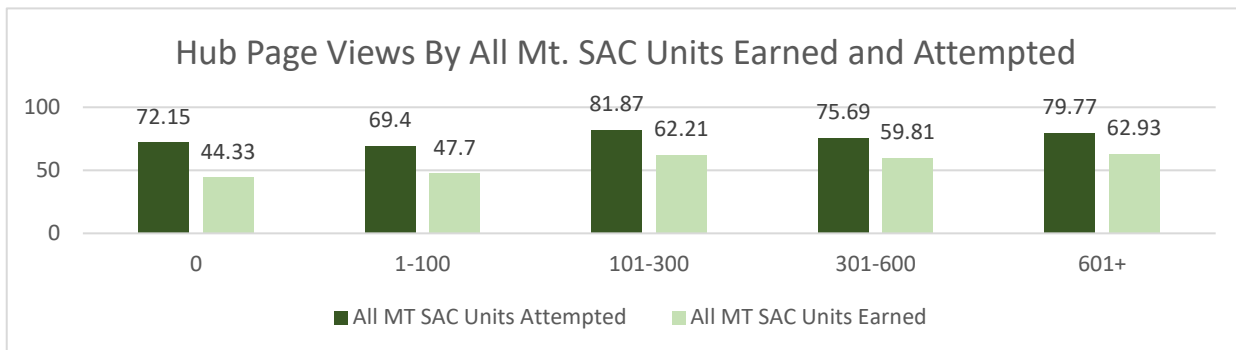


## Hub Page Views by GPA, Units Attempted and Earned

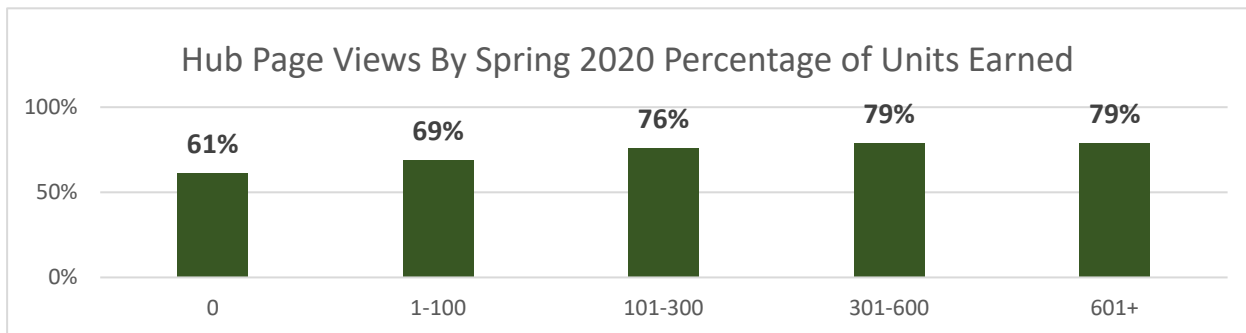
Total Page Views	Count	Percent	Mean or Average			
			Overall MT SAC GPA	All MT SAC Units Attempted	All MT SAC Units Earned	Percent Earned
0	24	4%	2.43	72.15	44.33	61%
1-100	287	47%	2.96	69.4	47.7	69%
101-300	157	26%	3.27	81.87	62.21	76%
301-600	72	12%	3.42	75.69	59.81	79%
601+	69	11%	3.43	79.77	62.93	79%
<b>Total</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2.59</b>	<b>10.98</b>	<b>7.517</b>	<b>66%</b>



The average overall GPA of units attempted at Mt. SAC among the credit Arise students was higher among the student who had higher numbers of page views on the hub.



The Hub participants with the highest average Mt. SAC units attempted were those who viewed 101-300 pages they also had one of the highest average units earned at 62.21 units.



The average percentage of units earned to those that were attempted was higher among the students who logged the most page views.

# Stop Anti-Asian Hate

This is a safe and brave space to share your thoughts, feelings, or anything you feel moved to on this topic. Your post is anonymous.

**ARISEPROGRAM** MAR 19, 2021 05:01PM

**POST PROMPT: We invite you to share your experience, words, sayings, imagery, or any creative action regarding this topic.**

**TO POST:**

Add your opinion by using the pink "+" sign in the right lower corner below.

After you post, you are able to change your post color by clicking on the three dots on the top right.

**GROUND RULES:**

- o This is a safe space/brave space.
- o Be respectful. Demonstrate Respect.
- o Be open to other perspectives.

**REPORTING:**

To report any anti-AAPI hate incident, please visit <https://stopaapihate.org/>.

## Color Code

- Red = About History
- Blue = Resources | Action
- Orange = Statements
- Purple = Expressions | Feelings

## Remembering BOT Resolution 19-26, A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SCROGGINS

"We stand with APIA communities"

### A Message From the President - Please Read

Classes scheduled for Wednesday March 18 and Thursday, March 19 will be suspended

MTSAC



## Anti-Asian Hate

<https://youtu.be/9oMPsYwOvDg>

## May 13, 2020

### Board of Trustees (BOT) Resolution 19-26:

have been reported in the United States as of April 29, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, some national leaders have used divisive and inflammatory rhetoric, referring at times to the COVID-19 virus as the "Chinese virus," and "Kung-Flu"; and

**WHEREAS**, such rhetoric is inaccurate and stigmatizing, tends to incite fear and xenophobia, and may put Asian-Pacific Islanders at risk of retaliation; and

**WHEREAS**, scientists have confirmed that the COVID-19 disease does not respect borders and is not caused by ethnicity, and the World Health Organization has cautioned against using geographic descriptors because they can fuel ethnic discrimination; and

**WHEREAS**, as the COVID-19 virus has spread, numerous Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have reported experiencing microaggressions, racial profiling, hate incidents and, in some cases, hate violence; and

**WHEREAS**, at Mt. San Antonio Community College District, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders make up nearly 23% of our student population, 17% of our employee population, and almost 16% of the population of Los Angeles County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mt. San Antonio Community College District Board of Trustees wishes to affirm its commitment to the well-being and safety of Asian-Pacific Islander community members and ensure they know they are not alone and that they can speak out to help stop the spread of bigotry; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Mt. San Antonio Community College District denounces xenophobia and anti-Asian sentiment and does not support the rhetoric and racist remarks of some national leaders regarding the COVID-19 virus. The District joins fellow community colleges, cities, counties, and states across the country in affirming its commitment to the safety and well-being of Asian

### ATTACHMENT-Resolution 19-26 - Denouncing Xenophobia and Anti Asian Sentiment Due to COVID-19

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## Daniel Dae Kim Testifies

Before Congress on AAPI hate



**Daniel Dae Kim testifies before U.S. Congress about Anti-Asian hate in America**  
by 88rising  
YOUTUBE

### A 'History of Exclusion, of Erasure, of Invisibility.' Why the Asian-American Story Is Missing From Many U.S. Classrooms

"K-12 American history texts reinforce the narrative that Asian immigrants and refugees are fortunate to have been 'helped' and 'saved' by the U.S. ... The story does not begin with U.S. imperialist wars that were waged to take Asian wealth and resources and the resulting violence, rupture and displacement in relation to Asian lives. Few realize that there is an Asian diaspora here in the U.S. because the U.S. went to Asia first."

#### Why the Asian-American Story Is Missing From U.S. Classrooms

Educators tell TIME that anti-Asian racism is directly linked to how the AAPI community is often depicted in U.S. history lessons



TIME

### Kareem Abdul-Jabbar: Hollywood Must Do More to Combat Asian Stereotypes

"... the national pattern of violence is a symptom of a deeper malady, which is the degrading perception of Asian Americans by the non-AAPI community. This perception, which infantilizes women and emasculates men, creates an environment, both conscious and subconscious, that tacitly permits the persecution of those considered somehow less worthy of respect than whites."

#### Kareem Abdul-Jabbar: Hollywood Must Do More to Combat Asian Stereotypes



Back in the late '60s when I was a student at UCLA studying martial arts under Bruce Lee, he spoke often and passionately about the harmful way Asian Americans were portrayed on television shows and in movies.

THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER



"Under the sky, under the heavens, there is but one family." - Bruce Lee  
#StopAsianHate

### A2MEND, APAHE, COLEGAS

Major Higher Ed Organizations & Solidarity Statement



#### Statement from The Coalition Condemning and Combating Racism, Xenophobia, and Intolerance Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders

With the COVID-19 pandemic and the deliberate actions of some political leaders, inflammatory and xenophobic rhetoric has put Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) persons, families, communities, and businesses at risk. Despite public outcry, and increasing racism against AAPI persons, some of our nation's leaders continue to choose nomenclature for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), such as the "Chinese Virus" and the "Kung Flu," which adversely impacts and endangers the lives of the most rapidly growing ethnic group in the country. Accordingly, this has led to increasing rates of bullying, harassment, assault, and other hate crimes (including killings) against AAPI persons.

There has been a surge of xenophobic violence against Asian American and Pacific Islanders, with 3,795 documented anti-AAPI hate incidents across the country between March 19, 2020 and February 28, 2021. We recognize that many more go unreported. We further recognize that these issues are not entirely new, as AAPI communities have been subjected to violence, discrimination, and stereotyping throughout U.S. history.

The Coalition recognizes that anti-AAPI prejudice is one form of systematic racism that continues to permeate our nation, and in all its institutions. Together, we will work to activate every member of our organization to take a stand against the structures that perpetuate and fuel discrimination and assaults on Asian American and Pacific Islander persons, and to identify actionable ways to address this and all

#### COALITION AAPI STATEMENT 3 19 21

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## The long, ugly history of anti-Asian racism and violence in the U.S.

A gunman killed eight people at three Atlanta-area spas Tuesday night; six of the victims were women of Asian descent, sparking fears among advocacy groups that the killings may have been racially motivated. Anti-Asian hate crimes have spiked 150 percent since the pandemic began, according to a recent study.



WASHINGTON POST

QAnti-Asian violence is not new! – ANONYMOUS

## sadness

i felt nauseous when i read the details of the shootings. these hate crimes are unavoidable and random. when i enter into public spaces, i feel that i am next, and look for the nearest exit. i'm very afraid, i don't feel confident in the political and historical changes to be made unless white supremacy, US nationalism, and sinophobia is erased.

## CORA Equity in Education Certificate Program--Open to all Mt. SAC students and staff

<https://www.mtsac.edu/titlev/cora.html>

I really enjoyed the Racial Microaggression training. I hope to take the Unconscious Bias training soon!

## Mt. SAC Associate in Arts in Social Justice Studies for Transfer program

If you are interested in social justice, social equity, and social change, Mt. SAC has an Associate in Arts in Social Justice Studies for Transfer program:

<https://catalog.mtsac.edu/programs/programsaz/social-justice/aa-social-justice-transfer/>  
<https://catalog.mtsac.edu/programs/programsaz/social-justice/aa-social-justice-transfer/>

## Learning from history

First they came for the socialists, and I did not speak out—  
Because I was not a socialist.

Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out—  
Because I was not a trade unionist.

Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out—  
Because I was not a Jew.

Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.

Martin Niemöller (1892–1984)

## Dismantling Racism and White Supremacy is my work and our work.

White Supremacy, White institutions, White Ideologies, and Whiteness has been perpetuated by this nation and every institution within this nation (and I can argue globally). So many identities continue adding value to these practices because it is what we all have been conditioned to value. It pins people against people... We need to do work individually and collectively to dismantle Whiteness as the standard of wealth, knowledge, life, and being... we need to start adding value to our own identities. We also need to dismantle systems of oppression in our own cultures (colorism, anti-indigenous, persecuting religious minorities, gender oppression, homophobia, etc.). As a mestizo Latinx individual, I understand I can and should only speak from the identities I ascribe to. It is my role to put on my critical lens, I need to seek to understand and practice respect. I also believe we need to build coalition with others to dismantle something so toxic like White Supremacy.



### Give Nothing To Racism

by NZ Human Rights Commission

YOUTUBE

love him. this made me laugh – ANONYMOUS



"Under the sky, under the heavens, there is but one family." - Bruce Lee  
#StopAsianHate

### Buenavista - Model Undocumented Minorities copy.pdf

by Madeleine Villanueva

GOOGLE DRIVE



## Racial protests are inevitable as long as conditions of racial injustice prevail.

### Bitter Fruit

The Politics of Black-Korean Conflict in New York City  
Claire Jean Kim  
Format: Paper View  
Inside Price: \$32.00  
Our shopping cart only supports Mozilla Firefox. Please ensure you're using that browser before attempting to purchase.  
Cloth Conflict between Blacks and Koreans has increased in American cities during the past two decades.

YALE



## Farmworkers Movement & the Untold Stories

Join this event next Tues., March 30th to learn more about the Filipino Labor Organizers who led the Strike in Sept. 1965.



**Farmworkers Movement Tuesday March 30 3\_00PM - 5\_00PM link**

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## birthright citizenship, thank you Asian immigrants

<https://www.civics101podcast.org/civics-101-episodes/usps-addt5-9wsgj>

## Model Minority Myth Video

I like this close-captioned video that introduces the model minority myth, and why it is harmful.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PrDbvSSbXk8>

### What Is the Model Minority Myth?

When I was halfway through the 11th grade, my pre-calculus teacher pulled me out into the hallway. He wanted to talk about my latest test. "You can do better than this," he said. "I'm so surprised by grades like this from someone like you." Someone like you?



LEARNING FOR JUSTICE

Model (undocumented) minorities and "illegal" immigrants: centering Asian Americans and US carcerality in undocumented student discourse

Thank you for posting this. — ANONYMOUS

## Fighting racism is not just about food and arts ; a BIPOC comic once said, "they love our culture but not our people". I agree, appreciation of culture/food/arts is important but not enough.

Yes! When we focus only on the food, culture, and arts, we tokenize cultures. — ANONYMOUS



## TIPS FOR SAFETY

Review this for suggestions.

### Safety Tips for Those Experiencing or Witnessing Hate

STOPAAPIHATE



## How I grew up...

My childhood was humble but full of love. Love in my household and love in my surrounding community. I was highly blessed by growing up around people of different nationalities and ethnicities. I am a Latina that grew up learning from and appreciating the cultures of my Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, and Vietnamese friends and families. Not just the tokenized food and clothing, but the diverse values, history, and cultural practices. What a blessing it was to grow up surrounded by people from so many cultures including African-Americans, Ethiopians, Indians, and Armenians. I will ALWAYS stand in solidarity and love, with BIPOC communities (Black, Indigenous, People of Color). To my Asian and Asian American brothers and sisters, know that YOU ARE LOVED for everything that you are :)

## Art is a healing medium

See Kyoko Takenaka's film HOME

### Film & Documentary

In "Home," artist and filmmaker Kyoko Takenaka unveils a visual and sonic portrait of belonging and memory in four chapters. Calling upon the experiences that underline their otherness as an Asian-American, the film chronicles their contemplations through original song and poetry, as well as video clips, audio recordings and digital conversations captured from real-life experiences over the span of seven years.

2020



## radical gratitude

you are enough  
your work is enough  
you are needed  
your work is sacred  
you are here  
and i am grateful

### radical gratitude spell

a spell to cast upon meeting a stranger, comrade or friend working for social and/or environmental justice and liberation: you are a miracle walking i greet you with wonder in a world which seeks to own your joy and your imagination you have chosen to be free, every day, as a practice.

ADRIENNEMAREEBROWN



it makes me mad that folks have to think about the hate that might be displayed when they are just trying to live their authentic selves

Asian Women in the Media

## How the Media's Depiction of Asian Women Harms Them

With news of the shootings in Georgia targeting Asian employees of massage parlors, it's time to look at how media, particularly Hollywood, has perpetuated harmful stereotypes of Asian women.



@diet\_prada

I encourage Mt. SAC to not only look at how to return to campus safely re: Covid but also how to return to campus safely re: social injustices/racism. Lots has happened since we have been closed (BLM, capital riot, increase in hate crimes, etc.), yet we haven't fully addressed these incidences. Students are sharing that they are worried about returning to campus and how they will be treated as BIPOC.

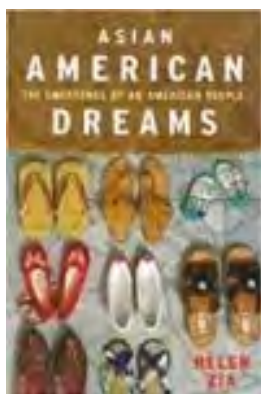
*Asian brothers and sisters we are here in unity. Times are tough but together as one community we will get through. – ANONYMOUS*

## Asian American Dreams

### Asian American Dreams

Asian American Dreams Excerpts and Reviews of Asian American Dreams: The Emergence of an American People: Link to Chapter 1: Asian American Dreams New York Times: March 5, 2000 By SOMINI SENGUPTA elen Zia, the American-born child of Chinese immigrants, is talking with two high school friends, one a black girl named Rose, the other a white girl named Julie.

HELENZIA



"SOMETIMES I WONDER IF THE ASIAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE IS WHAT IT'S LIKE WHEN YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT EVERYONE ELSE, BUT NO ONE IS THINKING ABOUT YOU!!"

– STEVEN YEHN

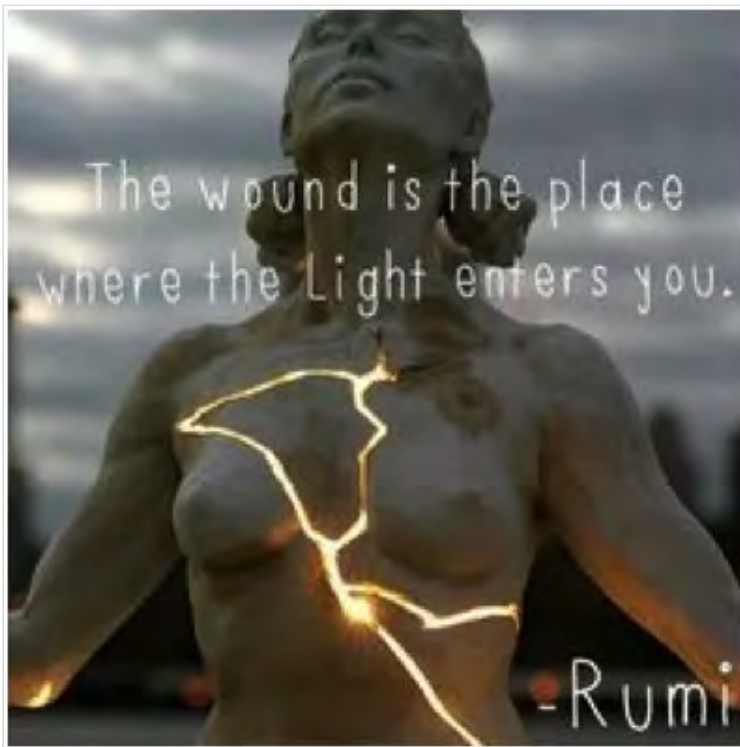
@BENNYLLAMA

**As we engage in this conversation, let's remember that change happens at home. Home is not just the physical space where we reside; it is also inside our bodies, our minds, and our hearts. If we really want to do anti-racist, anti-Asian hate, anti-homophobic, anti-islamaphobic, etc. work, then that change, that revolution starts at home. Let's stop, reflect, and notice to truly show up in solidarity for each other.**

### Safety Tips for Those Experiencing or Witnessing Hate

STOPAAPIHATE





I also worry for my friends and their families and my peers, I worry for their safety for their mental health

Us at the Mt. SAC Pride Center stand with you against the hate. We will support you in any way we can!



<https://stopaapihate.org/actnow/>

#### Act Now - Stop AAPI Hate

ACT NOW Encourage those who experience or witness acts of hate towards the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities to report an incident at our website. The reporting form is available in 11 languages, with more on the way. Reporting incidents helps us understand what is happening and guides us in developing policies to advocate [...]



STOP AAPI HATE

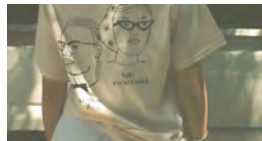
*As a symbol of our solidarity and of the allyship/co-conspiratorship we intend to practice to the Asian/Asian American communities, the Pride Center created an icon to use as our Zoom profile picture for the event today. We acknowledge that this is merely a symbol of what we intend to do - our current and future actions uplifting and protecting the Asian and Asian American communities - and we also acknowledge that using this image as a temporary profile picture is not, in itself, true allyship or co-conspiratorship. We will meditate on and hold discussions about how we will uplift and/or protect these communities and stand up against racism and white supremacy. In community <3 - ANONYMOUS*

## Asian American Girl Club

Yuri Kochiyama w Malcolm X

#### Yuri + Malcolm Special Edition Tee x Carolyn Suzuki - Charity Campaign

The story of Yuri Kochiyama and Malcolm X is a reminder of the vital importance of coming together during times of resistance. We are so excited to come together with artist Carolyn Suzuki to design two shirts in collaboration with Asian American Girl Club that furthers this narrative and gives back.



ASIAN AMERICAN GIRL CLUB

*Our Pride Family, seeing this gives us so much strength. We've always felt your support, but feel it even more now. We stand with you. - ANONYMOUS*

**Thank you for using 'white supremacy' to define what anti-asian hate is, let's call it what it is! Let's not be afraid to name it!**

**Dear Asian Americans**

*I love Yuri Kochiyama she is someone I look up to <3 - ANONYMOUS*

## Bystander Training for those interested

<https://www.ihollaback.org/harassmenttraining/>



## Dear Asian Americans on Apple Podcasts

Dear Asian Americans is a podcast for and by Asian Americans, focusing on authentic storytelling rooted in origin, identity, and legacy. Host Jerry Won brings on guests from diverse backgrounds and career paths to celebrate, support, and inspire the Asian American community. New episodes air every T...

APPLE PODCASTS



white supremacy = tells folks that all BIPOC are threats regardless of who they are

capitalism = property must be protected over protection of people

patriarchy = teaches that masculinity needs to be proved through aggression (bell hooks, 2000)

this really speaks to me because these 3 are the reasons why what has happened was allowed and its something that we dont hear about ... the own police dept. wouldnt call this a hate crime...

*like it really bothers me that folks (the media + police) tries so hard to defend white supremacy ... like no this is not okay* – ANONYMOUS

## Sandra Oh I am honor to be Asian T shirt

I would like to have courage to wear this out and be proud & feel safe walking on the street!

**"IT'S AN HONOR JUST TO BE ASIAN." DEFY HATE, Supporting EAST-WEST PLAYERS INC**

This is a sad and frightening time for our community. East West Players stands united with other organizations who are fighting anti-Asian hate and serving and advocating for the victims of anti-Asian violence. Hundreds have reached out and asked us to reopen our t-shirt campaign, so that they can wear a visible symbol of defiance against...

CUSTOMINK



## sad

I remember noticing that asian hate crime were occurring much more a year ago, when I mentioned it though everyone told me who cares, BLM. Not that I'm saying BLM isn't important or that it takes away from the important of the asian hate issue, but that I feel like its a flavor of the month type thing and people only rally behind a good cause when its posted everywhere and news outlets are reporting it

## The importance of recording

The Hate Crimes Reporting Gap is the significant disparity between hate crimes that actually occur and those reported to law enforcement. It is critical to report hate crimes not only to show support and get help for victims, but also to send a clear message that the community will not tolerate these kinds of crimes. Reporting hate crimes allows communities and law enforcement to fully understand the scope of the problem in a community and put resources toward preventing and addressing attacks based on bias and hate.

## I don't know what's stronger: my fear of being racially profiled or the pandemic?

It's been getting so hard to live day to day knowing that something so intangible could put me in danger. #StopAAPIHate #BLM #StopRacism



so true – ANONYMOUS

## Question(s) to a Resolution.

Do you think being quarantined made people irritable to provoke hate? How can we manage and de-escalate the temperament of others?

*I think people are more irritated because of quarantine but at the same time is not our job to hide our identities to de-escalate temperaments?* – ANONYMOUS

# I'm tired of seeing the ongoing violence against communities.

This is a colonial legacy of trauma that is continued to present. The virus is racism, colonialism, neoliberalism, patriarchy, capitalism. These are all legacies of white rage.



Which Side Are You On? REMIX - Rebel Diaz ft. Dead Prez and Rakaa Iriscience

by Rebel Diaz

YOUTUBE

## The Importance of Reporting

I think it's so important to have a space like this where we can air our grievances, our experiences etc. It is so important to document and have data to

## Mt. SAC Faculty Academic Senate Resolve to Support Asian and Asian American Students

Whereas, the College of Mount San Antonio provides to support and empower all students in achieving their educational goals in an environment of academic excellence with our core values of integrity, equity and diversity, community building, student focus, social justice, lifelong learning, and positive spirit; and,

Whereas, schools should be places for the practice and enforcement of equity, for the building of understanding, creation of knowledge, and for the active engagement of all in creating pathways to freedom and justice for all people.

Resolved, the Mt. San Antonio College Academic Senate expresses support for and affirms the rights of Asian and Asian American students, staff, faculty, administrators, and communities to be treated with respect and dignity; and,

Resolved, we will continue to work to address institutional racism on our campus by supporting and facilitating professional development work related to race and other challenging topics and invite faculty across disciplines and content areas to use resources that are inclusive of all of our diverse learners; and,

Resolved, we encourage ongoing critical reflection, and we encourage staff, faculty and administrators to have difficult and honest conversations concerning systemic racism, social injustice, and racial and ethnic bias as we commit to acting towards anti-racism.

Contact: Kelly Rivera, Mt. SAC Academic Senate Co-Vice President and Legislative Liaison and Professor of Political Science

Last updated: K. Rivera 3.18.2021

Last updated: Input from C. Uyeki, L. Heard, and S. Nichols 3.18.2021

Perfect and Voted for by Acclamation by the Mt. San Antonio Academic Senate on 3.18.2021

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i've seen conversations online about how Black and Latinx folks need to be here in support of Asian/PI communities. This is important, and it is also important to think about the greater picture - we wouldn't need allyship if we did not have a common oppressor.

yes, we need co-conspirators - ANONYMOUS

This reminds me of Dr. Bettina Love's talk last week where she stressed the importance of collaboration and working together with other minoritized/oppressed groups and areas of the social justice movements to be stronger together <3 - ANONYMOUS

## #StopAAPIHate #BLM #StopRacism

## The Importance of Reporting

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## Enter title here.

Glad to be here.

#StopAsianHate

### Asian Americans | PBS LearningMedia

Asian Americans is a five-hour film series that delivers a bold, fresh perspective on a history that matters today, more than ever. As America becomes more diverse, and more divided, while facing unimaginable challenges, how do we move forward together? Told through intimate and personal lives, the series will cast a new lens on U.S.



PBS LEARNINGMEDIA

## I didn't fully appreciate or understand the value that these spaces provide.

Thank you for allowing me to mourn and be vulnerable. I thought I was fine, but I was just numb. Sandy Hook was the worst and everything since has been a shadow of that grief. But I can see now that I am indeed sad and need to mourn and grieve.

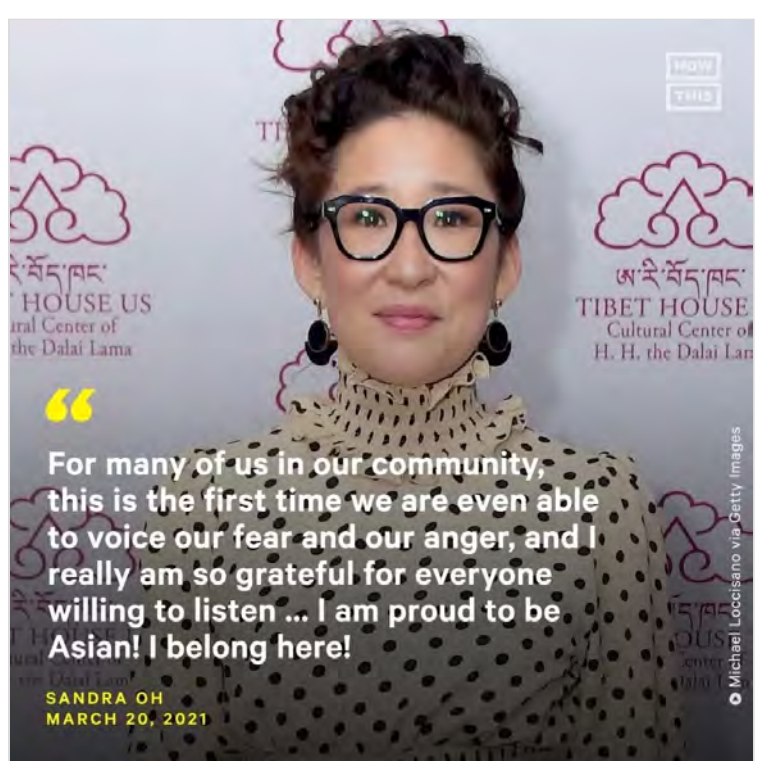
## AAPI Womxn & Perpetuated Violence

Shared at a Womxn's Empowerment Talking Circle:

As violence continues to be perpetuated on womxn, stand in solidarity with our Asian and Asian American womxn who have been murdered, attacked, and victimized in ways that are inextricably bound to contempt for their existence.

We name these connections to the exoticization (fetishing) of Asian women, anti-Asian racism, white supremacy, misogyny, and xenophobia (to name a few).

Aida Cuenza-Uvas, Ed.D.,  
Arise Program (AANAPISI Grant), Mt. SAC



I love her work and passion and presence. — ANONYMOUS

*Aida is such an amazing leader and scholar. So honored to learn from her and be in spaces with her. Her words are on point here, and I hope we all can reflect on this message and do better.*

— ERIOSALVARADO

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# HUMANS OF ARISE

Arise Program. One story at a time. One student at a time. One graduate at a time. Scroll down each month and connect with your Arise family.

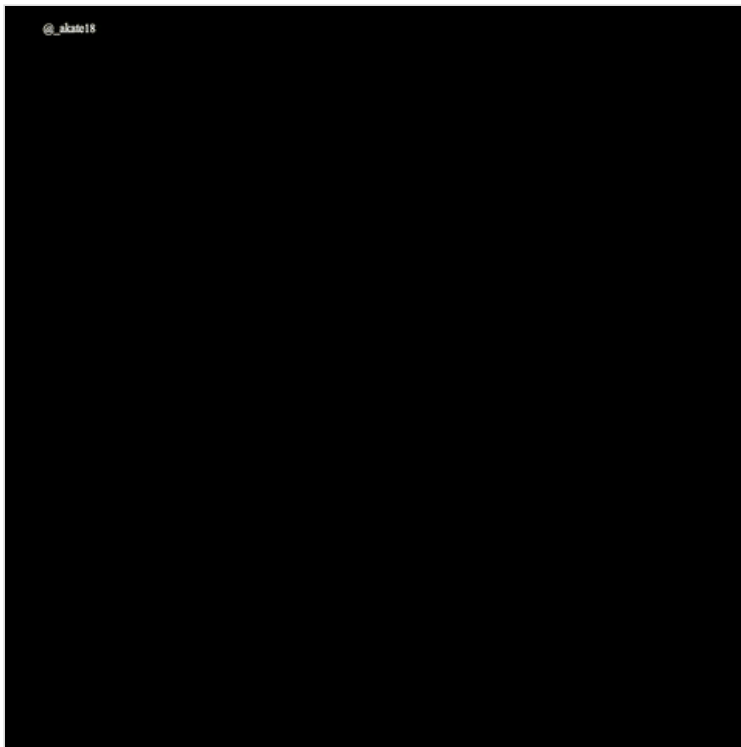
**ARISEPROGRAM** SEP 28, 2020 09:01PM

## August

### THEME: COVID-19 Life

*Prompt: How has COVID impacted you as a student? As a worker? At home? And how have all 3 interacted with each other in one space .*

### Welcome to 2020-2021



### Dhruvi (Major: Architecture)

Due to this COVID pandemic, people are going through a lot of challenges. I am lucky because I'm not facing challenges like others. I have been hearing that a lot of students are dropping out from school but as [for] me, I hold the strength to learn new things and I keep growing for a bright future. I know as an Indian girl being home, it's good to have family around us so we can help each other out and at the same time it can be a distraction from

studying but at the end of the day they still motivate me to do my work and I am thankful for having them supporting.



### Uale (Major: Sociology)

COVID has impacted me as a student in a huge way. I rather much be in a class setting rather than learning virtually, but I had to quickly adapt to online learning because one I had no other choice. I had difficulty because alongside with being a student, COVID has made work life a little more challenging as well. In my line of work [as a PM], being able to have such an involved, caring, and loving community in person then comes the question how does that look now virtually? One positive I was able to point out of this whole global pandemic though was being able to be around my family more now that I'm home. All three coming

together started off a bit difficult having to change on the fly but overtime you start to slowly adapt so if anything it's been getting better with time.



### **Shanita: (Drone Camera Operator)**

At home, I have risen to be the major provider of essentials to my Mom and other elders in my family. Since most of my family live in food deserts like south Los Angeles, google it.

I became displaced, as a worker. I worked full time in the gig economy but when the Covid pandemic hit and lockdown was issued statewide and millions become out of work. The gig economy exploded with too many drivers and not enough work. Placing me out of work.

I was able to save gas and travel time by staying home and working online as a student. But I had to work to stay connected to the college community to overcome isolation. Arise helped me do this and, keep going! It can feel lonely but out of thousands of Mounties, you are not alone!! Some other student feels you or understands what you're going through.



### **Fusi (Major: Undecided)**

As a student, a lot has changed. We are online and there is no social classroom aspect - I miss that. But I've reached out to friends more and made more effort to participate and be active in Arise. Missing that social aspect and being more active in Arise actually got me a job, so now I can work and it's awesome. At home, it's actually brought my family closer, we are around each other even more now, and being able to spend quality time together is so amazing even if we drive each other crazy sometimes. All these aspects of my life now interacting is interesting [and] I've had to make space for them. Other ways I've made space is making sure my mental health is taken care of and while we are physically distancing for safety. We need that support from loved ones and friends from them now more than ever. So while COVID has had many negatives and brought so much sadness, I'm trying to adapt and stay positive with this new normal.



### **KJ (Major: Kinesiology & Fire Technology)**

Having to learn through online classes has never been my first option. I tend to procrastinate often when it comes to online learning. Since there is no way of avoiding the situation we are in, I have made the best out of the worst. I have been consistent and diligent in my course work more than ever (most likely because there is nothing else to do).

I technically have two and a half jobs and I am an army reservist. The one job that I am blessed to continue working at is the Arise. Even though our campus facility has temporarily been shut down. Fortunately for my other job I have not been laid off. The restaurant I work for is taking serious precautions and is bringing workers back in phases, so in other words I am on standby until further notice. As for the army my drilling days have also moved towards online operations.

During this quarantine, I was able to visit my biological family and I was even able to get myself a car. The only negative is that I am stuck at home but at least I am stuck with family.



### **Virginia (Major: Sociology)**

My main issue has always been figuring out how to adjust my space and have a balanced routine. I grew too comfortable in my room - a place that's not meant to be a class, an office, a gym, or therapy session - but I had to force it to become THAT type of room. To me, online classes make learning in general very stale. It feels like I'm trying 3x more than regular class. Weirdly, I loved working from home! It's just an Arise vibe really. Even if it was a tsunami of virtual activities, it was needed by most of us - students. While all that is happening, I'm blessed to be sheltered with care at home. All together, it was crazy at first: disorganized and confused. If anything, Covid has really challenged me in questioning and disciplining myself better. As life continues to move forward, I'm constantly finding ways to change up my space and help me stay mentally grounded. Since I'll be transferring to UCR this year, it'll be a whole new level of adjustment, but this time around - I am willing. able. and ready. BlesssssGooooo!!!



## September

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### THEME: AANAPISI Week

It's **AANAPISI** week. [Check out our IG](#) to learn more about it. And hear from our former students who have transferred below. Click 'open in new window' for full screen.

### Ashley (Major: Public Health)

UC San Diego.  
Class of '20



Hello everyone. Um, if you guys don't know me, my name is Ashley Ceralde and I am Filipino.

#### Ashley with captions

1:31 video

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### Junnica (Major: Business Economics with minor in Accounting)

UC Irvine.  
Class of '19



Hi. My name is Junnica Ceralde. I'm Filipino. Uh, my major was Business Administration.

**Junnica with captions**

1:16 video

PADLET DRIVE

### **Chris (Major: International Development Studies) & Thai (Major: Marine Biology)**

Chris - UC Los Angeles.

Class of '17

Thai - San Francisco State.

Class of '16



**Chris and Thai.MOV**

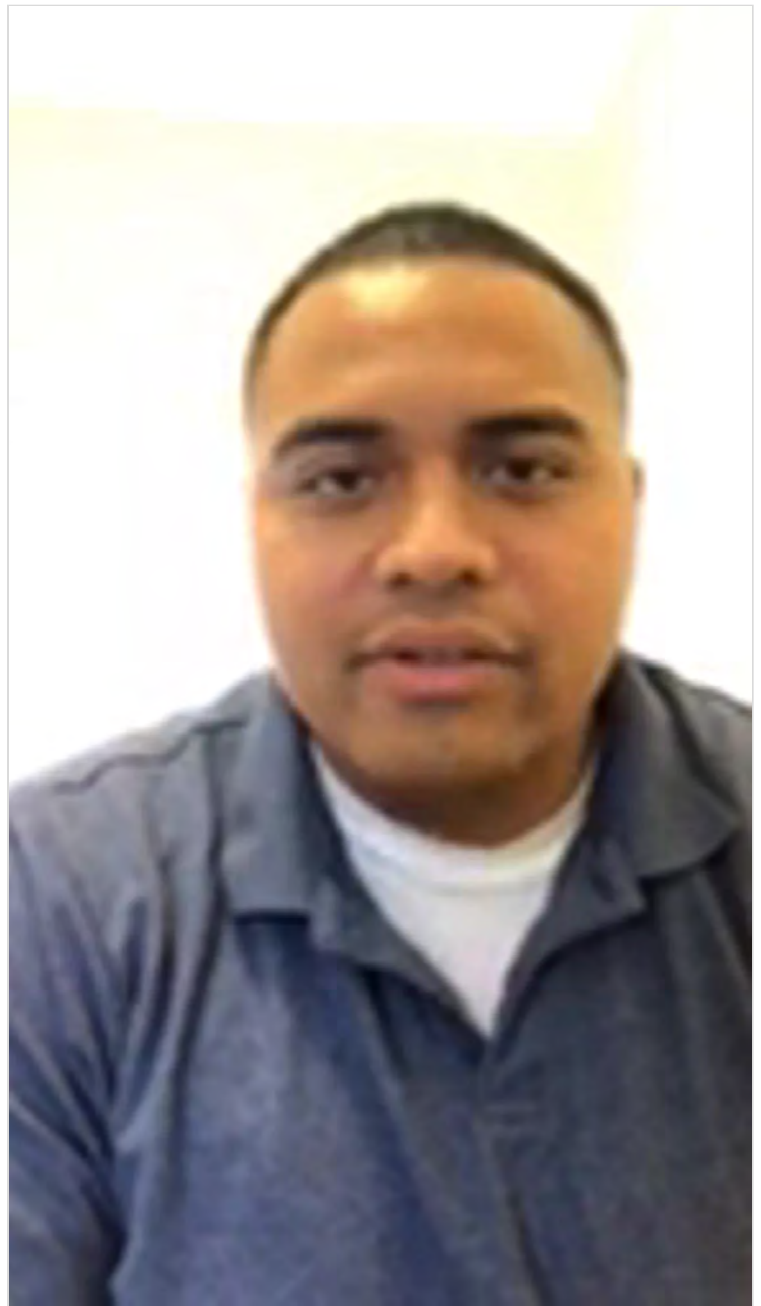
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### **Bruce (Major: Civil Engineering)**

University of San Diego.

Class of '22



**Bruce**

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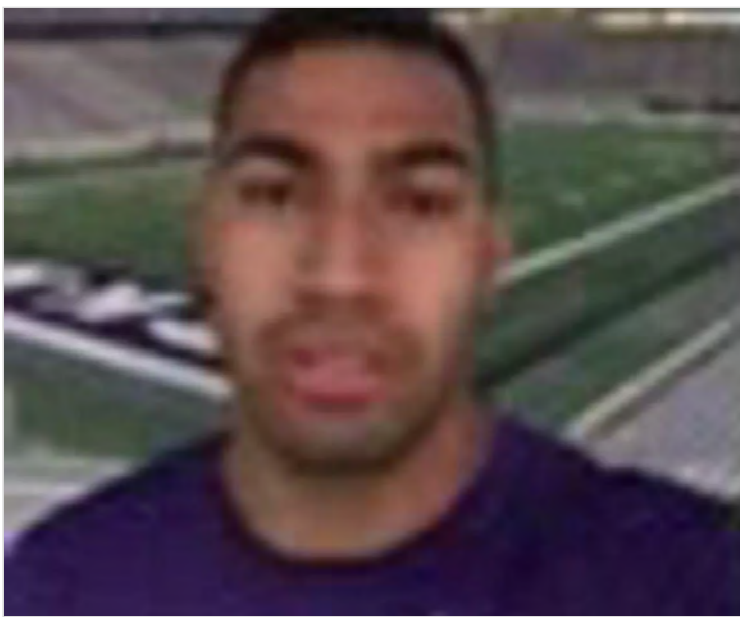
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### **Tyrone (Major: Biochemistry)**

Kansas State University.

Class of '23





**Tyrone**  
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Before anything, as a mainland Filipino who grew up there for 19 years, I think that the term Filipinx is valid despite the consensus of Metro-Manilans that it isn't.

I identify as anyone of those, and it doesn't matter to me what I'm called- as long as "She" is part of it.

I've been living here for 3 years now. It took me a year to adjust to the fact that this will be my new home. It took me only this year to realize that this is my home, and feel that it is my home now.

Sometimes when I think about the past and what I grew up with, or thinking about visiting the Philippines, I feel like I have two different lives, two different reputations. I tend not to think about it, because I enjoy what's given to me now. The only thing that matters to me is that I want all of my immediate family and pets to be here, living with me, and also that I get to see my friends from the Philippines a lot.

## October

### THEME: Filipinx-American History Month



**Humans of Arise Invitation**  
A story told with Adobe Spark Video.  
ADOBE SPARK



### Kaelie (Major: Psychology)

What it means to me to be Filipina is to hold the values that my family and ancestors have held before me, to keep a tradition going, a mindset intact, and keeping your loved ones in mind and in your heart. To me being Filipina is who the people are who came before me, and what I want it to mean in the future. It will always hold meaning with family!

### Heidi (Major: Small Business Management)



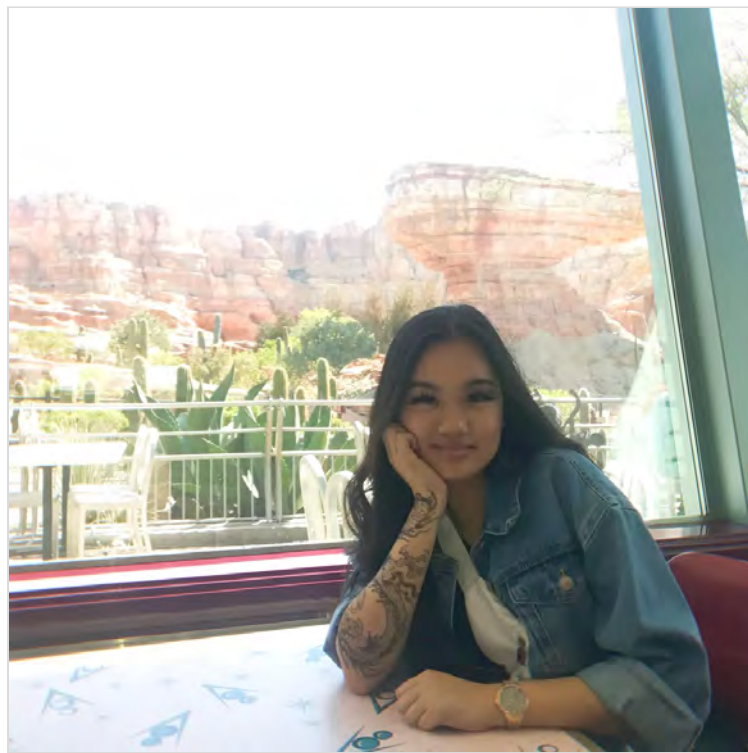
## Mihkaela (Major: Nursing)

To identify as a Filipina-American is truly one of my proudest aspects of my being.

The Filipino culture and ideals are what shaped me into becoming who I am as a person and instilled ethics and morals that I find important to have in the world today. Other than the amazing food, being a Filipina-American gives me an instant familial bond with any Filipino, which gives us a place to belong and be understood.

In my first seven years in the Philippines, I grew up in Las Piñas in a house that never gets quiet. The homemade food cooked by my grandmother is something I still long for every day. I always remembered the sticky heat that would make me want to shower every five minutes but it didn't stop me from playing outside with the other village kids. I miss the bustling streets that can only be compared to the Las Vegas strip on a Friday night. Everywhere you

turn there's a Sari Sari store (a small convenience store) where I used to buy chips and a small plastic bag filled with coke and straw. Even though my life was simple, it felt like the Philippines was full of life. Moving to America at age seven was an easy adjustment for me; however looking back, it was difficult for my mother. First off, my mother and I immigrated by ourselves. Yes, we did have family here but we did have to make a new life by ourselves. My mother was a single parent so she was always forced to leave me at my cousin's house when she was at work. I remember her catching the bus every morning for a two hour journey to work and when she came home, I felt so excited because it felt like forever since I last saw her. Eventually, my mother moved up in her job and was able to provide for us both and get a place of our own. I feel proud of my mother's endurance throughout our journey in making it in America. Our immigration into the United States allowed me to witness the perseverance and hard work it takes for one to make it into a foreign place and provide for their family. It made me realize all the sacrifices my mother had to make to get us the luxury we have today. It inspires me to do better and work for a better life for my mother and my future family. Our story ingrained the values that have and always will be stuck with me for my entire life. It is because of my mother's courage and strength that I am given the opportunity to live a better life.



## November

### THEME: Pasifika Family Day

*Last year we had our inaugural Pasifika Family Day in honoring our Pacific Islander (PI) graduates. This year, we're having our PI families share why education is important.*

## Tutasi & Dad

Tutasi - Bachelors in Communications from CSULA



### Tutasi & Dad

0:45 video

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### The Master's Calling

Deborah Joy Winans

SPOTIFY

## December

### THEME: Gratitude

We have our Arise family share their gratitude posts.

### Arise Family

Thankful for our Arise Family



### Music

A universal language - I'm thankful for music for expressing all the emotions

## January

### THEME: New Goals for 2021

Instead of being cliché with new year's resolutions, we wanted to focus on new goals for Winter or Spring 2021 semester.

### Samantha

My new goals for this winter semester is to focus and ask questions when I need help and never hold back also to take opportunity of the office hours when I have time. My New Years resolutions are eating healthier everyday and enjoying life that I can. I'm looking forward to go to college in person hopefully to see the campus and see the Professors and counselor to meet them in person. (:

*Those are wonderful goals Samantha!* — ANONYMOUS

### Han

My goals are speaking English fluently, getting good grades for my subjects, and understanding my major more.

I'm applying to a program about writing research to learn more about research.

I would like to take care of my health, manage my time better, and speak more with my classmates to fulfill my goals. 193



## Dhruvi

Some goals that I would want to achieve are getting better at pursuing my dreams and working out more often to maintain good health and shape. This year I started yoga for my mental well-being.



## Vita (Major: Social Behavioral Sciences)



## Fusi

My goals are to stay healthy physically and mentally. I want to spend an hour every day going outside, working out, or going on a walk. Since we've been online I find that I spend a lot of time indoors, so I want to get outside more.



## Uale

I don't have any new goals because they are the same as last year. I just want to maintain and get better in all aspects of life. The goals that I want to keep working on are to improve my GPA and get a new car.



## February

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### THEME: Love Language

Meet some of your Equity Center friendly staff, faculty, and managers as they share their Love Language. There are 5 love languages, and you can learn more about them [here](#).

### Betzabel Martinez - Equity Center Program Specialist

My love language is gift giving and receiving as well as words of affirmation. I get so much joy giving gifts to my closest friends and family – a simple written note or letter is my favorite to give and to receive. Sometimes the gifts are words of affirmation – I not only enjoy encouraging my friends and family, but I appreciate words of encouragement from others. A simple “You’re doing a great job!” can go along way. When I think about love, I want others to remember that there is no shame in how you prefer to be loved and how you express love.

### Sandra Padilla - Counselor

I define love as a feeling of wholeness, it is a continuous circle where it begins with you (self-love) then that same energy of love will emit on to others.

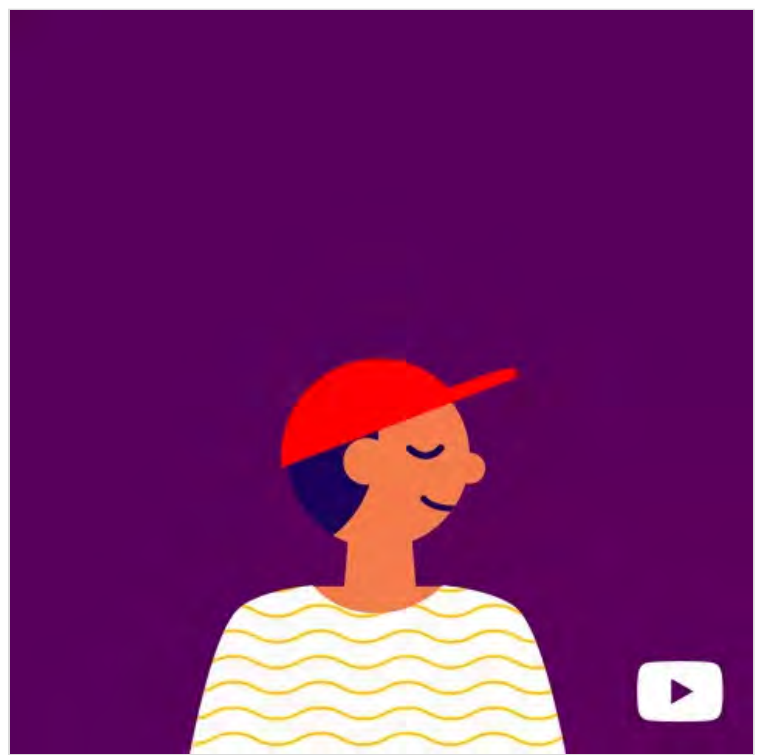
My love language: I like to receive and offer love through language/words. I want people to feel good about themselves in my presence, I like to offer words of encouragement, affirmations, and compliments and I like to hear the same from my family and friends. Don Miguel Ruiz’s 1<sup>st</sup> agreement “Be Impeccable With Your Word” taught me to redirect my word towards love and truth.



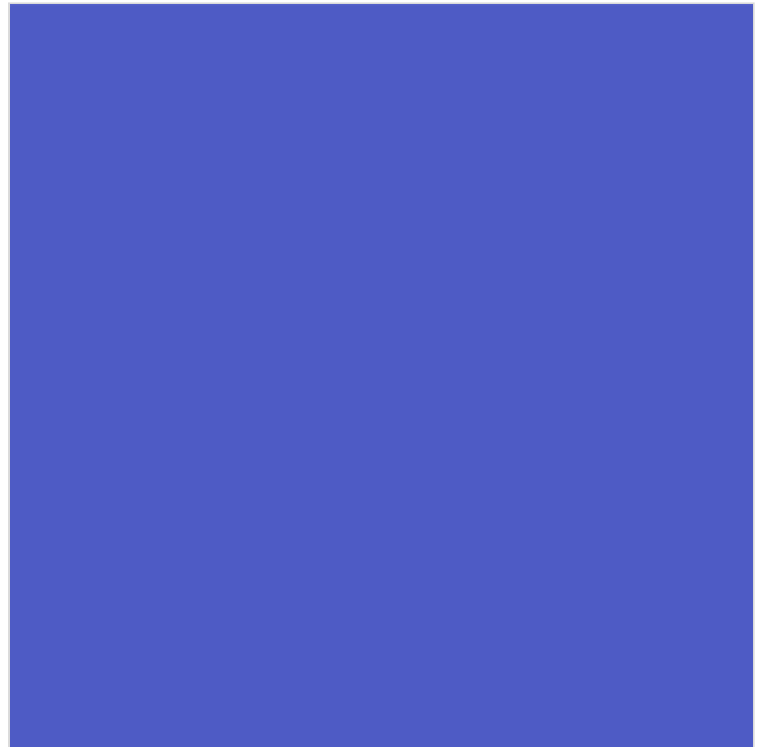
### Jeze Lopez - Director for REACH Program

My love language is Acts of Service as I define love as providing service to others and help make their lives joyful, especially those

in need. So when someone does something for me that they did not have to do I truly value and cherish it.



**Don't Count the Days, Make the Days Count.**



## **March**

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### **THEME: March madness**

*We're getting to the mid-way point for the semester. We're rooting for you. Here are some inspiring words to continue through the semester.*

**Breath In, Breathe Out. You got this.**



**The Show Goes On - Lupe Fiasco**



**The Show Goes On**  
Lupe Fiasco  
SPOTIFY

## April

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### **THEME: Admin Appreciation**

We would like to recognize our administration professionals. You are the heart beat of the work we do. Huge appreciation to our Admin professionals below.



## Stacy Lee - Counseling



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*My favorite part of my job is being a part of a community where I am able to contribute to making a difference and helping students in their educational journey.*

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**STACY LEE**

## Lucy de Leon - VPSS



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*The favorite part of my job is serving others. I am grateful to get the opportunity to impact and assist students and colleagues. I strive every day to have the mindset of who needs me and how can I help them in any area of their life. “Only a life lived in the service to others is worth living.” ~ Albert Einstein*

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**LUCY DELEON**

## Cathi Alvarado - AVPSS



**CATHI ALVARADO**

WE LOVE OUR  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
PROFESSIONALS



## Cathi cont.

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*There are so many reasons, hard to pin point to one thing. Coming from Corporate and going into Higher Education, has been a huge transformation. Learning about our campus, the culture, and most important, our students has been very educating and rewarding at the same time. Being a reliable resource for our students, Student Services staff and across campus is very fulfilling. My success, comes from doing what I love; and loving what I do these past (12) years. Although, we are still in a Pandemic state, the support system has never stopped. I look forward to the day we will all come together on campus without any concerns, etc. Till then, we all need to be safe.*

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**CATHI ALVARADO**

## Gabrielle Quiroz - Student Life





GABRIELLE QUIROZ



THANK YOU TO OUR  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
PROFESSIONALS!



ERIC LARA

"Catherine,  
Thank you  
for being  
YOU."

Thank you Dr. Lara! – ANONYMOUS

### Gabrielle cont.



My favorite part about my job is being able to help students in any way that I can. I was a student at Mt. SAC for 7 years and kept to myself most of the time. It wasn't until I got a job on campus as a Student Worker at the Student Life Office that I started to build connections with students, staff, and faculty. As a Student Worker, I learned about the campus and what it had to offer and was surprised by the resources and opportunities that were available to all students. The more I helped my fellow students that would walk through the door or call in, the more I began to develop a passion for helping others. Now that I have grown from a Student Worker to a Student Services Program Specialist, I love that I am able to continue to help students whether that's locating a building, finding a program that meets their needs, or just simply getting engaged on campus. I will always be here to help in any way that I can.

GABRIELLE QUIROZ

### Catherine cont.



Catherine,  
Thank you for being YOU. You have not only helped and supported me from day one but also our entire Equity Center family. Your work, dedication, and enthusiasm is incredible and I'm happy you are part of the team. Thank you for always supporting all the projects, ideas, and questions I have and for supporting our students, the way you do!

ERIC LARA

### Catherine Parks

Dr. Eric Lara, Equity Center Director, recognizes Catherine.

### Raelyn Alvarez - ISP



**RAELYN ALVAREZ**



THANK YOU TO OUR  
Administrative  
Professionals!



**JEZE LOPEZ**

"I don't tell you this enough, but thank you for joining us on this journey and being my partner every day at REACH. "

### Raelyn cont.



*My favorite part of my job is interacting with students, guiding, and supporting them in any educational capacity. I enjoy helping students understand the content of higher education and love seeing the connection of what students learn and how they apply it to their fields of study. Working in Student Affairs has been a life changing experience for me and I love that I am able to work with students and shape their experiences in higher education. Working on the administrative side of Student Affairs, I'm also able to be involved in orientations, on and off campus event programming as well as student clubs and I get the pleasure of meeting students from all over the world! My job has truly become my passion and I'm honored to work alongside amazing individuals.*

**RAELYN ALVAREZ**

### Maddy Stute

Melinda Bowen, Pride Center Coordinator, recognizes Maddy Stute



Maddy, your partnership in the Pride Center has been life-changing for our students and for me. I feel so blessed to have this opportunity to team up with you. Much Love

**MELINDA BOWEN**

### Briselda Maciel

Jeze Lopez, REACH Director, recognizes Briselda Maciel

### Briselda cont.



“Briseida, since the first day you came to REACH you immediately made an impact and made us better. Your mindset and approach are the perfect balance between being student-centered and holding students accountable to support their growth. I don’t tell you this enough, but thank you for joining us on this journey and being my partner every day at REACH. You ask for nothing in return when you do your job, but we all owe you so much regardless.”

JEZE LOPEZ



*My favorite part of my job is collaborating with all the amazing students, staff, faculty, and administrators at Mt. SAC to create events that bring students together in community. I call myself the “behind-the-scenes” person because a lot of the work I do is not seen from an outside perspective. My favorite part of the job when we are IN PERSON is welcoming everyone who comes in the Equity Center...I really miss that!*

BETZABEL MARTINEZ

### Betzabel Martinez - Equity Center



### Betzabel cont.

Dr. Eric Lara, Equity Center Director, recognizes Betzabel.



**"Betzabel, Thank you for all that you do and for taking on any challenge given to you."**

ERIC LARA

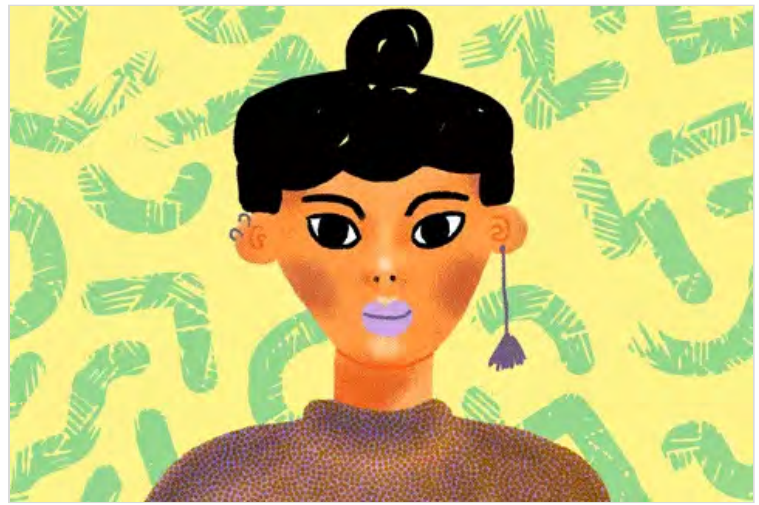
### Betzabel cont.

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Betzabel,  
 Thank you for all that you do and for taking on any challenge given to you. I appreciate the love and passion you bring to your job every single day, your work ethic and dedication does is greatly appreciated. You've done so much for our center and students this past year and we wouldn't have transitioned as smoothly without you!

ERIC LARA



## Our Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month padlet

Click on the image below to take you to our month long event padlet to download your own zoom background and many more resources.

## May

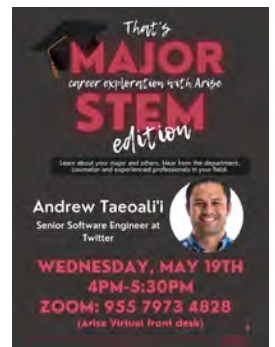
### Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Happy APIHM of May! Join us and check out all our events. We're excited to share our API cultures with all of our campus community.

#### Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month (APIHM)

May 2021: Our virtual collage of our month long celebration and resources to honor our Asian Pacific Islander heritages.

PADLET



## June

### Graduation Highlights



# Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month (APIHM)

May 2021: Our virtual collage of our month long celebration and resources to honor our Asian Pacific Islander heritages.

**ARISEPROGRAM** APR 22, 2021 09:52PM

## Events

**PASUEGA** MAY 05, 2021 09:07PM

### APIHM Calendar

Make sure to check the calendar below for event dates and times. Click this [link](https://mtsac.edu.zoom.us/j/95579734828) for all events (except May 13th): <https://mtsac.edu.zoom.us/j/95579734828>.

**ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER Heritage Month**

<p><b>MAY 5TH</b> 4PM - 5:30PM</p> <p>That's Major: Business Award Winning Chef and API, Sam Choy, shares his journey in business. Zoom: 95579734828</p>	<p><b>MAY 27TH</b> 6PM - 7:30PM</p> <p>Cultural Night Arise Student, Staff, and Faculty, share their API heritage. Zoom: 95579734828</p>
<p><b>MAY 6TH</b> 5PM - 6:30PM</p> <p>"Who's Afraid of Asians? Understanding "Yellow Peril" (Anti-Asian Racism) in the U.S., Then and Now Zoom: 95579734828</p>	<p><b>LIBRARY RESEARCH GUIDE</b></p> <p>Link TBA</p>
<p><b>MAY 13TH</b> 4:30PM - 6PM</p> <p>Equity Talks: Anti-Asian Racism &amp; the rise in Violence during the Pandemic Zoom: 95579734828</p>	<p><b>SOCIAL MEDIA</b></p> <p>API Heritage short stories, featuring four Arise Students See APIHM padlet and Arise Instagram</p>
<p><b>MAY 19TH</b> 4PM - 5:30PM</p> <p>That's Major: STEM Twitter Software Engineer, Andrew Taeolali'i, shares his journey in STEM Zoom: 95579734828</p>	<p>How do you celebrate API Heritage month? See APIHM padlet</p> <p>History of Arise See APIHM padlet and Arise Instagram</p> <p>"What does it mean to you to be an API educator? See APIHM padlet and Arise Instagram</p>

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**PASUEGA** MAY 13, 2021 10:50PM

### 5/27: Cultural Night

Arise invites you to a virtual

# Cultural Night

**Thursday, May 27th**  
6pm - 7:30pm

Zoom: 95579734828

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**ARISEPROGRAM** MAY 10, 2021 04:32PM

### 5/5: That's Major! Career Exploration

AAPIs in Business: TV Personality & Chef, Sam Choy!  
Resource Links: [Books](#) | [Cooking videos](#) | [Instagram](#)

That's


# MAJOR

career exploration with Arise

# BUSINESS


edition

Learn about your major and others. Hear from the department, counselor and experienced professionals in your field.



**Sam Choy**  
Award Winning Chef & Restaurateur, TV Show Host and the Godfather of Poke!

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 5TH**  
**4PM-5:30PM**  
**ZOOM: 955 7973 4828**  
(Arise Virtual front desk)



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## 5/6: History and Sociology Faculty Panel Talk on "Yellow Peril"

Learn about the roots of anti-Asian racism. Knowledge is power.

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# WHO IS AFRAID OF ASIANS?

**UNDERSTANDING "YELLOW PERIL" (ANTI-ASIAN RACISM) IN THE U.S., THEN AND NOW**



**THURSDAY, MAY 6TH**  
**5PM-6:30PM**

Zoom link: **95579734828**  
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## 5/13: Stop AAPI Hate!

Data tracking of the rise during the pandemic and reporting tool. Click on zoom link to register.

**Register Here:**

<https://mtsac-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAqdu-rrz4uHtb15vBmBb1R1gZDabeZEpj6>


Asian American Studies  
San Francisco State University & Co-Founder of stopaapihate.org

**Thursday**  
**May 13th**  
**4:30pm-6:00pm**

**Zoom link:**  
<https://bit.ly/equitytalkmay2021>

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### 5/18: Guest Kelly Hu

Arise is excited to add another event to celebrate APIHM!! We welcome Actress Kelly Hu, to share her journey and her experiences as an Asian American female in Hollywood. TUESDAY, May 18th at 4pm on the Arise Virtual Front Desk.

Join Arise and Actress **KELLY HU**

**TUESDAY, MAY 18TH**  
**4PM - 5:30PM**

Zoom link  
**HTTPS://MTSAC-EDU.ZOOM.US/J/95579734828**

WE WILL BE DISCUSSING THE INVISIBILITY, STEREOTYPING AND REPRESENTATION OF THE ASIAN AMERICAN FEMALE IN HOLLYWOOD.

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### 5/19: That's Major Career Exploration

AAPs in STEM with Senior Software Engineer at Twitter!  
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That's **MAJOR** career exploration with Arise **STEM** edition

Learn about your major and others. Hear from the department, counselor and experienced professionals in your field.

**Andrew Taeoli'i**  
Senior Software Engineer at Twitter

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 19TH**  
**4PM-5:30PM**  
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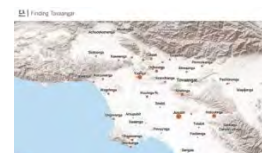
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### Land respect to the Tongva & Kizh people

We would like to acknowledge that Mt. SAC is geographically situated on traditional lands of the Tongva and Kizh people. We strive to honor and respect the first nations' rights and cultures. We acknowledge and thank them as the traditional caretakers of Tovaangar (the Los Angeles Basin, So. Channel Islands), what we now call our Mt. SAC home. We would also like to pay our respects to the Honuukvetam (Ancestors), 'Ahihirom (Elders), and "Eyoohiinkem (our relatives/relations) past, present and emerging. For more information, please click on the image below.

#### Gabrielino-Tongva Indian Tribe - A California Indian Tribe know as San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians

By SEAN GREENE and THOMAS CURWEN  
MAY 9, 2019 The original people of Los Angeles, the Tongva, defined their world as Tovaangar. It extended from Palos Verdes to San Bernardino, from Saddleback Mountain



GABRIELINOTRIBE

# How do you celebrate API Heritage Month?

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**Please add to the discussion below.**

**ANONYMOUS** APR 30, 2021 05:09PM

I celebrate API Heritage Month by instilling some of my cultural beliefs and values into my every day life. It is so that I may always remember where I come from.



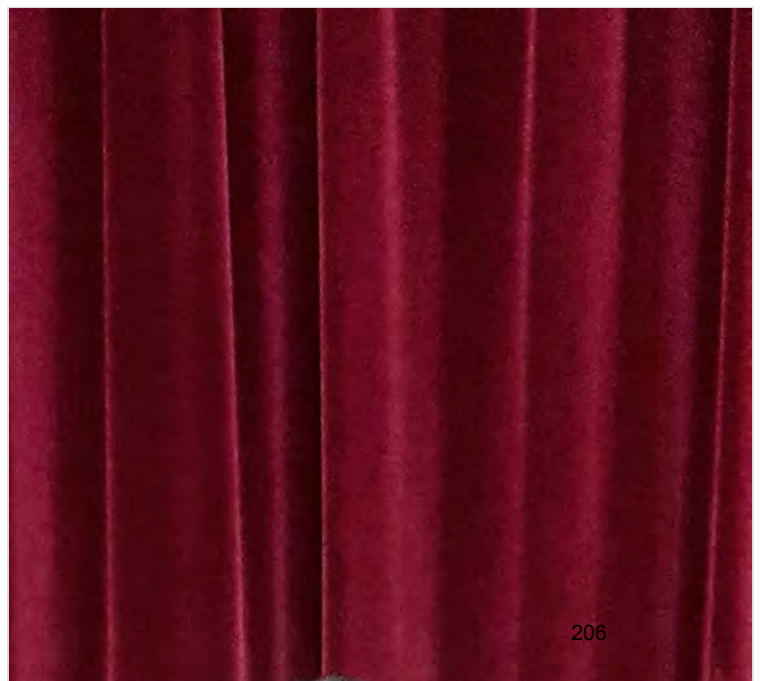
**ANONYMOUS** APR 30, 2021 05:13PM

I celebrate API Heritage Month by learning, listening, and playing cultural music!

**FUSIANA JOHNSON** MAY 07, 2021 04:56PM

## Celebrating API Heritage Month

I celebrate API Heritage Month by learning more about my culture and eating yummy cultural food. I also celebrating by wearing my cultures dress when I go to church.

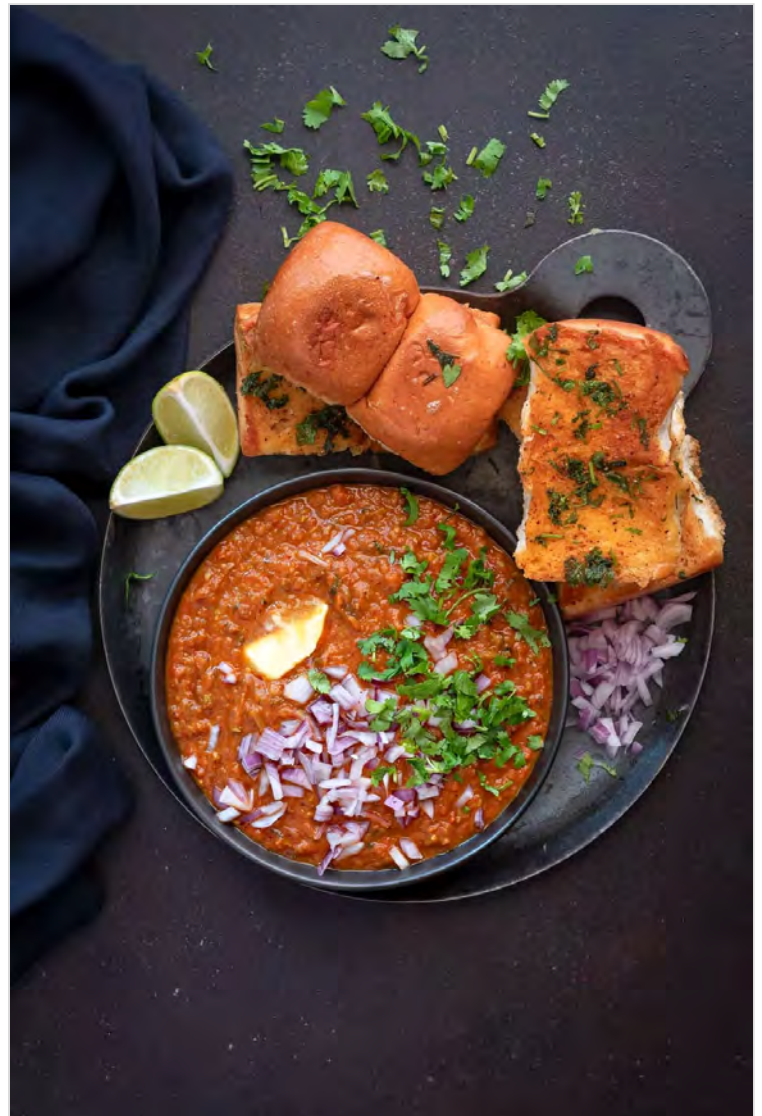






ANONYMOUS MAY 07, 2021 04:56PM

**I am Dhruvi Ahir. I celebrate API Heritage Month by learning more about my culture food and dance. I celebrate the API Heritage Month by making my culture food with my grandma.**



ANONYMOUS MAY 07, 2021 04:56PM

**Dhruvi cont.**



## Dr. Andi Fejeran Sims

Director of Student Life

Andrea "Andi" Fejeran Sims

Director of Student Life  
Chamorro - Filipino

What does it mean to you to be an API educator?  
Role model, mentor, caretaker, motivator.

What advice or words of encouragement would you like to share with our Mt.SAC API students?  
You are not alone, channel the strength of your ancestors and community, we are here!

## What does it mean to you to be an API Educator?

Please add to our discussion below.

## Dr. Audrey Yamagata-Noji

Vice President of Student Services

Audrey Yamagata-Noji

Vice President of Student Services  
Japanese American

It means that I have a tremendous responsibility to understand and advocate for the needs and rights of Asian and Pacific Islander American students and employees. I must be well-educated and well-versed and be able to be a nexus to bring people together to promote both understanding and respect of the histories, cultures, and issues of all APIA groups.

## Dr. Aida Cuenza-Uvas

Director of Arise Program (ANNAPISI Grant)

Aida Cuenza-Uvas

#API STRONG

I AM A PROUD API EDUCATOR, AN AANAPISI LEADER, & A PROUD FILIPINA, ROOTED & RAISED ON GUAM (GUAHAN)

DR. AIDA CUENZA-UVAS

MABUHAY!

HAFA ADAI!

Director of Arise Program  
(ANNAPISI Grant)  
Filipino - Guamanian



Being an API educator means that I represent a part of my community. It is my responsibility to amplify our shared experiences and challenge our higher education system in ways that potentially render groups of API students invisible, unheard, or marginalized. The pursuit of my educational path is possible because of those who joined me and celebrated my milestones. As an API educator, that is the legacy I wish to continue for API students and all other communities. . . to become self-empowered in choosing an education for self-growth while not losing or sacrificing the celebration of one's cultural heritage. Knowledge is power, especially when rooted in the wisdom of your ancestors.

Start with, "Yes, I can." Work hard, stay focused on your purpose. Find meaning in your "why's". You should always know why you are in college, what you hope to accomplish, and constantly check-in with yourself and others who have your BEST INTEREST to see how you're making progress. Don't let anyone deny the wisdom and knowledge of your family's history and lived experiences.

Aida Cuenza-Uvas



Being an API educator, means it's a privilege to work in higher education and helping other API students through their educational journey. It's also a responsibility to ensure that all our voices are heard especially the marginalized within the vast API umbrella.

Live in your truth. Be proud to be Asian and/or Pacific Islander. Education has many ups and downs. Others will only look at your destination, but for you, the journey is most important because it will teach you things about yourself that you will realize you were always an educator to yourself first.

Kare'l Lokeni

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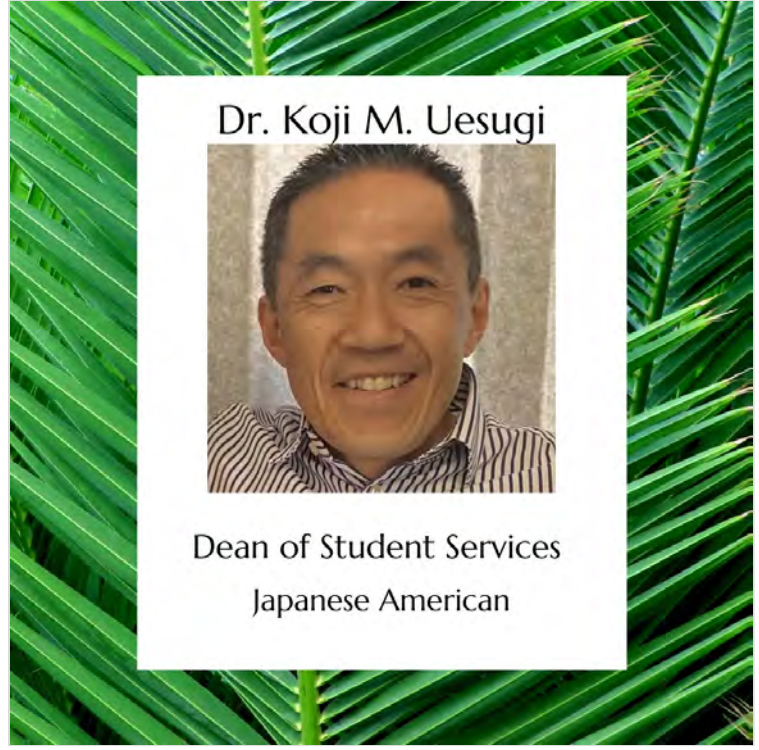
**Kare'l Lokeni**

Educational Advisor Arise Program (AANAPISI)

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**Dr. Koji M. Uesugi**

Dean of Student Services



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I consider my role as an API educator an immense honor and privilege. It also carries with it, a responsibility for me to bring a perspective about the API experience and history in my interactions with students and colleagues. Whether inside the classroom as faculty or administrator in student support services, it essential that API voices are represented in our colleges and universities.

Mt. SAC is enriched by the immense value you, our API students, bring to our campus community. Know that we appreciate the opportunities to celebrate your successes with you as well as support and stand with you during life's challenges.

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**Dr. Koji M. Uesugi**



As an API educator at Mt. SAC, it means I'm able to lead by example and provide resources to Mt. SAC students to reach their educational goals while learning life skills.

To all the Mt. SAC API students: (1) Stay true to who you are; (2) Understand the difference between your emotions and actions; and (3) Everyday is a learning experience about yourself and others so it's okay to update your standards.

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**Catherine Parks**

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**Catherine Parks**

Administrative Specialist IV



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**Baochi Nguyen**

Professor of Mathematics



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API students often have language and cultural barriers. As an API educator my goal is to be available to assist and give guidance to our API student population navigate and successfully complete their college journey.

There are many obstacles that we have to overcome but knowing your roots and utilizing available resources from API community in particular and on campus in general will help you to become a strong and successful student.

Baochi Nguyen



Being in API educator means I show up, be counted, represent, and foreground the presence of the AAPI community in the history/culture of the United States, in the present, and the future. In my spheres of influence, I see it as an honor, a duty, and a responsibility for me to help create and support spaces to foreground the diverse cultures, histories, and contributions of AAPI. There is an even greater urgency to contribute to and invite others – students, faculty, staff, administrators, and our community – to join a wider discourse to confront ignorance and racially motivated hatred directed at the AAPI community. I find strength, camaraderie, and hope by locking arms with members of the AAPI community and the rest of our campus community who passionately live out our core values of diversity, equity, inclusion, social justice and anti-racism. Being an API educator means I will keep working hard to contribute to this work through ongoing learning for everyone, open and direct dialogue, and collaborative strategies to dismantle institutional racism.

Dr. Meghan Chen

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**Dr. Meghan Chen**

Dean, Library & Learning Resources Division



Dr. Meghan Chen

Dean, Library & Learning Resources Division

Chinese American

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Dear API students, The fact that you're here at Mt. SAC says you are a success story. You are resilient, persistent, and strong. You are powered by your family's love for you, faith in you, and eons of proud history and culture that make you who you are. You are imbued with funds of knowledge and ways of learning and working that may not be recognized as legitimate by the dominant culture system. While you may be geographically separated from your family while you're attending Mt. SAC, the Mt. SAC family is your family. We are here for you, cheering you on, and joining you on this quest to learn and grow together. We are here for each other to call upon the wisdom, tools, and advice from our rich histories and the college's resources, and we will support you and each other in our continuous development. So that we can keep showing up, standing tall, speaking up, and advocating for the kind of future to which all belong and in which all are dignified with agency, opportunity, and justice.

Dr. Meghan Chen

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**Sue Ceja**

Counselor, Honors Program/Counseling Dept.

Sue Ceja



Counselor, Honors  
Program/Counseling Dept.  
Chinese

Takahito Tanaka



Professor of Sociology  
Japanese

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Growing up, I didn't quite know where I fit in. I wasn't really Chinese enough. Not quite Cambodian or Vietnamese. I was uncomfortable and a bit embarrassed of who I was and where I came from. I didn't realize until later that there were so many refugees just like me. Being an API educator means being visible to those who share my culture, with hopes that it will bring a sense of belonging to students who feel like I once did.

There is strength and beauty in your culture and heritage. Do not hesitate to share your story because your history and experiences are invaluable and worth being told!

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Sue Ceja

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It means the world to me to be an API educator, but it is also a huge responsibility since I represent more than just me; I represent our whole community. The folx at ARISE and the students continue to inspire me to be a better educator too, where I hope to pay it forward and back to our community and students.

College is challenging but is also a space that can help you grow not only as a person but also as an intellectual as well. Staying focused on your goals and continue to challenge yourself is a key componet! Gannbatte! I know you can do it!

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Takahito Tanaka

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## Takahito Tanaka

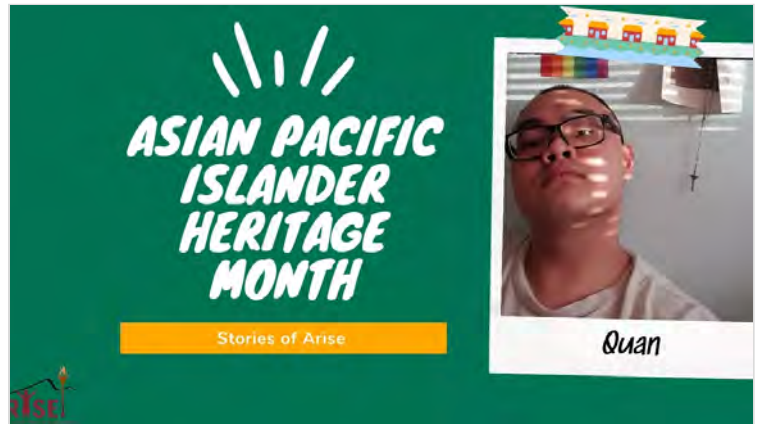
Professor of Sociology

## API Stories of Arise

FUSIANA JOHNSON MAY 13, 2021 08:56PM

## Fusi's Video

### Quan's video



Quan  
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Fusi's API Heritage Video (1)  
1:38 video  
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### Dhruvi's video



Dhruvi's API Heritage Video  
2:28 video  
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### KJ's video



KJ's API Heritage Video  
1:11 video  
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## Download your own APIHM zoom background

### Zoom backgrounds for May 2021 APIHM

We created various zoom backgrounds for you to celebrate with us month long. **Click on the image below and download any or as many backgrounds you would like.**

API Heritage Month Zoom Backgrounds - Zoom Virtual Background by Arise Program

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## #StopAsianHate Padlet

### Join the STOP AAPI HATE Conversation Padlet

This Padlet App has resources, historical info., information links, and personal reflections. Please feel free to add to our padlet. It is an on-going space for everyone.

3.23.21 - Our Mt.SAC community came together to hold a virtual space and share. **Please click on the heart image below for the #stopasianhate padlet.**

## Stop Anti-Asian Hate

This is a safe and brave space to share your thoughts, feelings, or anything you feel moved to on this topic. Your post is anonymous.



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ARISEPROGRAM MAY 01, 2021 11:50AM

## Dr. Aida Cuenza-Uvas stands against racism #StopAsianHate

Director of Arise Program



## Mental Health Resources

AIDA CUENZA-UVAS MAY 10, 2021 05:30PM

### Flyer below & link

Student Health Services' **ACEZ-AAPI Compassion and Empowerment Zone**: Beginning Monday, May 10th, group sessions will be held **every other Monday from 10-11 am**, for students and allies to come forward to share and express their feelings thoughts associated with racism against AAPIs and learn ways to cope with or respond safely to any forms of discrimination.

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## AAPI Compassion & Empowerment Zone (ACEZ)

Every Monday 10:00am - 11:00am

Link: [bit.ly/mtsac-acez](https://bit.ly/mtsac-acez)



With alarming numbers of reported incidents of Asian hate crimes and discrimination occurring nationwide, ACEZ is a safe space created for AAPI students and allies to voice their concerns, seek support, and express compassion to each other through personal stories and experiences with racial discrimination as individuals of AAPI descent. This is a virtual space facilitated by Dr. Diana Chou, a licensed psychologist, twice per month. Please plan to join us in this space to gain support and to empower other AAPI students.

Registration required!  
[bit.ly/mtsac-acez](https://bit.ly/mtsac-acez)

Workshop dates: 5/10, 5/24, 6/7

If you need disability-related accommodations such as sign language interpreter, note taker, captioning, etc., please contact Student Health Services at (909) 274-4400 at least 5 days in advance of event, workshop, or meeting.

### ACEZ Flyer Spring 2021

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## Library Research Guide

ARISEPROGRAM MAY 05, 2021 09:49PM

### APIHM Library Research Guide

For our campus community: **Eva Rios-Alvarado, Equity Librarian**, took the lead and created a Library Research Guide for students, staff, and faculty. With input from Arise and faculty, please use this the guide below for information and resources on our API community to include into your curriculum, events, topics of discussion, etc. **Click on the image below to take you to our APIHM Research Guide.**

### Research Guides: Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month : About AAPI Month

AAPI Month is celebrated every May. It is a month of celebration, homage, awareness, and empowerment of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States. The geographies of the different ethnicities, cultures, and nations which make up the AAPI diaspora are distinct and celebrated during AAPI Month.

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## Arise Hub APIHM May Contest

ARISEPROGRAM MAY 01, 2021 09:29AM

### APIHM Month May Contest

For Arise students only. In our Arise Hub, test your financial money management knowledge. Students have a chance to win an



**FINANCIAL LITERACY**  
CONTEST FOR MAY 2021  
ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

TOP 3 SCORES WILL RECEIVE A  
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See how you fare compared to other students.  
You make take the quiz as many times as you would like!

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## **Favorite Cultural Food, Traditions & Rituals**

**AIDA CUENZA-UVAS** NOV 17, 2021 02:16AM

**As a daughter of Filipino immigrants to Guam, where I was born and raised, I had exposure to both traditions. One tradition was showing respect to our elders by taking their hand and pressing the back of it against our forehead whenever you entered a home or first arrived to a gathering. In the Chamorro culture the ritual is similar, but the hand it pressed against the nose instead of the forehead.**

Showing respect is called “Nginge” in Chamorro. In Tagalog the practice is expressed as “mano po” or referred to as pagmamano.

[https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mano\\_\(gesture\)](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mano_(gesture))

### **Nginge': Showing Respect**

Nginge' is a term that describes the smelling or sniffing of the back part of an elder's slightly raised right hand. Elders, or manâmkö, collectively understood to have wisdom, are called mañaina. The CHamoru practice of smelling or sniffing was a way of taking in the essence of one's spirit and pre-dates colonization.



GUAMPEDIA

## **5/27: Cultural Night**

**PASUEGA** MAY 12, 2021 10:55PM

### **Cultural Night**

If you are interested in signing-up to perform, please scroll down to our forms list below.

Arise invites you to a virtual



**Thursday, May 27th**  
**6pm - 7:30pm**  
Zoom: 95579734828

To request disability related accommodations. Please contact us at least 5 days in advance, Tutasi Asuega, pasuega@mtsac.edu

**ARISEPROGRAM** MAY 05, 2021 09:38PM

**If you are interested, click on the 'microsoft forms' to complete the interest form. Or you may email directly to pasuega@mtsac.edu.**

**FUSIANA JOHNSON** MAY 06, 2021 07:57PM

### **Giving leis <3**

One of my favorite things about my culture is how we show love. We show our love by making leis for special events. Each island has a unique way of making a lei and in Tonga we call it a kahoa and they look like this which is different than a lei than most people think of. There are so many different types of leis and different ways of making them but my favorite is this one because of the effort that goes into it. It's also a favorite because it reminds me of my mom. This picture just reminds me of my mom sitting at the kitchen table carefully weaving and making leis.



On **Thursday, May 13 from 2-3:30 pm**, a panel of university reps from SFSU, CSU Sacramento, and Hunter College (NY) discuss this topic. **Open to anyone.**

**Info Here:**

<https://proctor.gse.rutgers.edu/anti-asian-panels>

**Register here:**

[https://rutgers.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAKcu2tqDMvHtHBO\\_S9gumbyb54h19yGDM\\_X](https://rutgers.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAKcu2tqDMvHtHBO_S9gumbyb54h19yGDM_X)

## Other events

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### Anti-Asian Hate Town Hall

May 7, 2021 10:00 am - 12 pm Noon

**RSVP Here:**

<http://bit.ly/Anti-AsianHateTH>

Student Senate for California Community Colleges

May 7, 2021

**ANTI-ASIAN HATE TOWN HALL**

Keynote Speakers:

Anti-AAPI Hate Townhall (3)  
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AIDA CUENZA-UVAS MAY 05, 2021 09:03PM

### ANTI-ASIAN HATE AND ANTI-ASIAN RACISM IN HIGHER ED

THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021  
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM EDT

JOIN US FOR A ZOOM LIVE DISCUSSION ON

**ANTI-ASIAN HATE AND ANTI-RACISM IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

REGISTER TO JOIN AT [PROCTOR.GSE.RUTGERS.EDU/ANTI-ASIAN-PANELS](https://proctor.gse.rutgers.edu/anti-asian-panels)

MODERATED BY: **Thal-Huy Nguyen**, Policy Researcher at RAND Corporation

OUR PANELISTS:

- Arlene Daus-Magbual**, Director of Asian American & Pacific Islander Student Services, San Francisco State University
- Marcia Liu**, Licensed Counseling Psychologist and Mental Health Coordinator for the Hunter College AANAPISI Project
- Timothy Fong**, Professor, Department of Ethnic Studies, California State University, Sacramento

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Learn more at [proctor.gse.rutgers.edu/anti-asian-panels](https://proctor.gse.rutgers.edu/anti-asian-panels)

## Questions

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# The FARMWORKERS MOVEMENT

## and The UNTOLD STORIES

TUESDAY, MARCH 30TH

3:00PM - 5:00PM

ZOOM: 922 2519 0560

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## Farm Workers Movement & Untold Stories



Find more resources related to the ARISE and El Centro event "The Farm Workers Movement & The Untold Stories".

### Explore!

[Find more information! The Movement & Untold Stories](#)

[Event images](#)

### Find more information! The Movement & Untold Stories

[Online Films & Documentaries](#) | [eBooks+](#) | [Websites](#) | [Arise & El Centro General Information](#)

#### [Cesar Chavez: "The Power of Non Violence"](#)

From American Video in History. This video is a recording of Cesar Chavez's speech about non-violence.

#### [Decision to Become Civil Rights Activist](#)

From Films on Dema in "Born-Again Feminist:" Dolores Huerta. Dolores Huerta discusses receiving the Medal of Freedom and what motivated her to leave teaching and begin organizing farm workers.

#### [Delano Manongs](#)

From PBS's ViewFinder Series. This episode focuses on farm labor organizer Larry Itliong and a group of Filipino farm workers who instigated one of the American farm labor movement's finest hours – The Delano Grape Strike of 1965 that brought about the creation of the United Farm Workers Union (UFW).

#### [Filipinos in the UFW Movement: Agustín Lira & Patricia Wells Solórzano on Larry Itliong](#)

From Smithsonian Folklife. Musicians Agustín Lira and Patricia Wells Solórzano reflect on the work of Larry Itliong in founding and mobilizing the United Farm Workers.

#### [Library streaming videos on United Farmworkers](#)

Selection of videos to explore in Films On Demand.

#### [Little Manila: Filipinos in California's Heartland](#)

From PBS's ViewFinder Series. Filled with chop suey houses, gambling dens, and dance halls, Little Manila was the area in Stockton notoriously called, Skid Row, but it was also the closest thing Filipinos had to a hometown. Narrated by famed Filipino-American producer, Dean Devlin (Independence Day, The Patriot) this documentary tells the immigrant story as Filipinos experienced it.

## Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month



Learn about Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Find resources to explore and think critically about the different communities in the AAPI umbrella. And, connect to the AAPI community at Mt. SAC.

### About AAPI Month

[Asian American Studies](#)

[Learn About the AAPI Diaspora](#)

[eBooks & eMedia](#)

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[Stop AAPI Hate!](#)

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According to the web portal Asian Pacific Heritage, "The month of May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks were Chinese immigrants."

- Read more about [the history of AAPI Month](#) on the U.S. Department of Education website.
- Watch a PBS series "Asian Americans" to learn more about the lives of AAPI peoples.



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