



Honoring Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

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Division of Equity and Inclusion

Dear campus community,

This Asian American & Pacific Islander (AA & PI) Heritage Month, we honor the rich cultures, traditions, and contributions of our AA & PI communities at UC Berkeley and beyond.

The term "AA & PI" historically has been used to encompass more than [50 different ethnic groups](#) – including [24.7 million Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States](#).

Campus Events:

- May 1-June 30, 2025 - [Centering Philippine and Filipinx American Histories: Selections from The Bancroft Library](#).
- May 1, 2025 - [Missing/Disappearing Bodies and Forgotten Geographies: A Korean Argentine Diasporic Viewing of Im Heung-soon's Good Light, Good Air](#)
- June 10-12, 2025 - [Past as Present: Asian Pacific American Religions, Renewal, and Collective Care](#)

Media to Read/Watch:

- [Departures: An Introduction to Critical Refugee Studies Book Talk with The Critical Refugee Studies Collective](#) - via University of California Humanities Research Institute
- [Highlighting Excellence: Building AA & PI Futures at Berkeley](#).
- [New Year, New Reads: Celebrating Sri Lankan Literary Voices](#) and [Critical Pacific Islands Studies Library Guide](#) - via Bancroft Library

Campus Departments:

- [Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies](#), [Asian American Research Center](#), [Asian Studies Research Institutes](#), [Critical Pacific Islander Studies Collective \(CPISC\)](#), [Department of Ethnic Studies](#), [Department of South and South East Asian Studies](#), [East Asian Languages and Cultures](#)
- [Ethnic Studies Library](#)

- [Asian Pacific Student Development \(APASD\): Asian American Political Activation Program; South Asian, Southwest Asian, and North African \(SSWANA\) Initiative and Pacific Islander Initiative.](#)

Campus Organizations:

- [Asian American & Pacific Islander \(AA & PI\) Thriving Initiatives](#) and [Asian American and Pacific Islander Standing Committee \(AAPISC\)](#).
- Faculty and staff resources: [Asian Pacific American Systemwide Alliance \(APASA\)](#), including the APASA Mentorship Program, [Filipinx Faculty and Staff Association \(FFSA\)](#), and [MENASA \(Middle Eastern, North African, South Asian\) Staff Organization](#).
- Student resources: [Registered Student Organizations](#), [Asian American Political Alliance](#), and [UC Berkeley Asian American Research Center Pipeline for AANHPI Community Health](#)

To learn more and/or submit additional events and resources, visit the [Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month webpage](#).

Thank you,

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To help create an environment that lives up to our seven [Principles of Community](#), we will send regular messages to acknowledge various heritage/history months and holidays. While we won't include every month or holiday, we will make an effort to ensure members of our community feel represented. Additionally, [Berkeley News](#) and [Berkeley Life Blog](#) will often post articles highlighting people, programs, and research that align with these heritage/history months and holidays. Learn more about our updated approach to [heritage/history/prevention messaging](#).

This message was sent to all staff, faculty, and students.

If you are a manager who supervises UC Berkeley employees without email access, please circulate this information to all.

