

UCSD APSA PRESENTS



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HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE 2016

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WE, THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SAN DIEGO (UCSD), COME TOGETHER TO PROVIDE A FORUM TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS OF ALL UCSD ASIAN AND PACIFIC-ISLANDER (API) STUDENTS; TO TRY AND CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE ISSUES SUCH AS THOSE POLITICAL, EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SOCIAL CAN BE ADDRESSED; TO INCREASE AWARENESS ABOUT API HISTORY AND HERITAGE WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY; TO UNITE AS A COMMUNITY RESOURCE TO REPRESENT A COMMON VOICE THEREBY EMPOWER OURSELVES; AND TO SERVE AS A SUPPORT FOR BUILDING BONDS AND ADDRESSING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STUDENTS.

ABOUT APSA

Originally founded in 1971, the Asian and Pacific-Islander Student Alliance, APSA, was the first Asian and Pacific-Islander (API) student organization at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD). Representing all API students at UCSD, APSA is concerned with social, political, and cultural issues that affect our community. Through community service projects, workshops, meetings and events, we attempt to provide educational awareness and to increase the accessibility and exposure of API issues to the members of the community. Although APSA primarily represents API students, we encourage students of all backgrounds to be involved in our organization and extend our focus beyond that of cultural or social boundaries; for we believe that only through our diversity and cooperation can we better recognize the similarities in our differences and create a positive change in our community.

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

WORD FROM THE APSA CHAIR

I want to say first that it is truly my honor and pleasure to be a part of High School Conference this year! Being born in Vietnam and migrating with my family due to the violence and damage from the war by the U.S., I never imagined that I could be at this university as a first-generation student of color to find and demand education that applies to underrepresented students in learning about our identities, histories, and the realities of our communities in the country. I believe that each of you deserve to be here and deserve to have a chance at achieving higher education because of your intelligence, knowledge, experiences, and resilience. I value the knowledge and experiences each of you have that come from yourself, family, and community, which are often unacknowledged and invalidated in academic spaces. I hope that you all can take away great lessons, experiences, and connections from this day. I am excited for you all; you are the future of this world. I encourage you to always question the status quo, be hungry for knowledge, and value yourself, because you have so much to offer in your own ways. As people of color, we are strong and resilient- nothing can take us down. **We're all in this together**, because together we can challenge the injustices and violence in our communities and other communities of color. Education is our liberation. *"It is our duty to fight for our freedom. It is our duty to win. We must love each other and support each other. We have nothing to lose but our chains."* - Assata Shakur

- Kate Thuc Pham

FROM THE CO-COORDINATORS

This is APSA's 23rd High School Conference, and we could not be more honored and proud to be part of this amazing experience. This would not have been possible without the constant support from the wonderful planning committee, volunteers and facilitators, workshop facilitators, alumni, and advisors who take the time out of their day to make this HSC successful. Your passion, dedication, and perseverance have played a huge role in this production; we are eternally grateful. So thank you for all you have done, and will do, to make a difference and a lasting impact. And to all the high school students who were able to attend this conference, here is a big THANK YOU for joining us today. We are extremely fortunate to have a chance to meet you all and hopefully inspire you to achieve your hopes and dreams towards your future. We hope that after today, you will gain new experiences as you participate and engage with your peers and us in the community. You can always count on us, and everyone else you meet today, to help guide you towards your journey into higher education. **We're all in this together**.

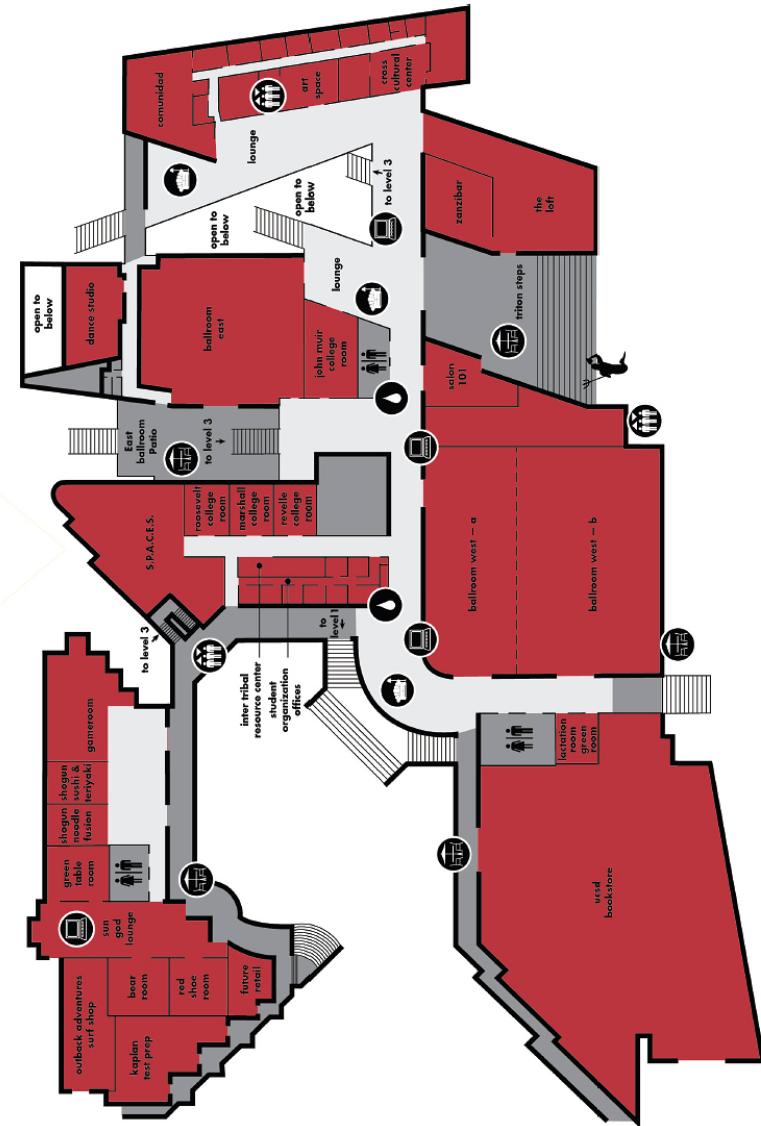
- Ness Cancio & Diego Feliciano

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RIVERA HIGH SCHOOL / SCRIPPS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL / TORREY PINES HIGH SCHOOL

WELCOME TO HSC

AGENDA

- 9:00 am **Registration & Breakfast**
PC East Ballroom
- 10:00 am **Meet the Facilitators**
Town Square
- 10:20 am **Opening Address**
PC East Ballroom
- 10:30 am **Motivational Speaker**
- 11:00 am **Workshop Session 1**
- 11:50 am **Group Discussion**
- 12:05 pm **Campus Tour**
- 1:00 pm **Lunch**
Plaza
- 2:00 pm **Keynote Speaker**
- 2:40 pm **Workshop Session 2**
- 3:30 pm **Group Discussion**
- 3:55 pm **Workshop Session 3**
- 4:45 pm **Group Discussion**
- 5:15 pm **Energy Check & Dinner**
PC East Ballroom
- 6:45 pm **Talent Show**
- 7:50 pm **Closing Remarks**



WORKSHOP SESSION 1

11:00 AM

HARMFUL IDEAS OF BEAUTY

CCC LIBRARY
Elizabeth Islas

What is beauty? Who gets to decide what is beautiful? In this interactive workshop, you will learn about the origins of beauty ideals, and the way they manifest nowadays. We will touch on topics such as skin color, hair type, weight, and much more.

PASSION: THE FRUIT OF LIFE

ARTSPACE
Nikko Gutierrez & Terumi Beppu

Passion 101: Welcome to the crash-course on finding your passion. By the end of this workshop, you won't have everything figured out, but hopefully, you'll have an idea of where to start and the steps you can take to continue the process of figuring out what you wanna do.

QUEERING AZN AMERICAN SPACES

PC WEST BEAR ROOM
Shane Phan

This will be an open space to folks of all backgrounds that would like to have a discussion on queerness in Asian-American spaces. We will converse on what is queerness, why talking about queerness is so essential to dismantling heteropatriarchy, and how folks can help create safe and brave spaces for individuals who identify as queer.

DEBUNKING THE MODEL MINORITY

PC WEST RED SHOE ROOM
Brian Crie

Curious why "Model Minority" exists? The term dates back to around the time the Civil Rights Movement and the effects can be found in events like the LA riots of 1992 as well as current movements like Black Lives Matter. Find out about Asian American history you don't learn in the books to get you thinking about different perspectives.

RECLAIMING OUR STORY

PC WEST GREEN TABLE ROOM
Alison Bagnol, Jonathan Gonzalez Padilla, Terry Gutierrez, and Manny Gutierrez
- Cross-Cultural Center: Social Justice Educator Team

How does representation in the media matter? How are identities like race, gender, class, and sexual orientation (just to name a few) represented, underrepresented, or misrepresented in popular culture? As we look at representation (or the lack thereof) in the media (e.g. TV, film, music industry, etc.), this workshop will explore how identity and representation intersect within the realm of social justice.

THE START OF SOMETHING NEW: HEALTHCARE CAREERS

COMMUNIDAD

Mira Garcia, Zabrina Reyes, Eliza Golingo, Bianca Lorenzana, Chloe Mabanta, and Doreen Nilo

Pilipin@ Undergraduate Society for Health

Interested in the healthcare field but don't know where to start? We've got you covered because Pilipin@ Undergraduate Society for Health (P.U.S.H) will be exploring several healthcare professions that you could pursue!

WORKSHOP SESSION 2

2:40 PM

I AM UNBROKEN: MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL ILLNESS

CCC LIBRARY
Elizabeth Islas

Mental health conditions are often misrepresented, underrepresented, and stigmatized. Mental health advocacy is crucial to dismantle dangerous stereotypes. Through a casual presentation and small group discussion, this session will allow participants to explore what it means to be a person of color living with mental health conditions, and how to help friends and family members who live with mental illness.

FAFSA WORKSHOP

ARTSPACE
Crystal Lam

This workshop is designed to give high schoolers an introduction to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Students will learn about different types of financial aid, important dates and deadlines, and the materials needed for successfully filling out the application. (This workshop is NOT intended to replace information from your school counselor/financial aid counselor.)

THE IDENTITY WORKSHOP

PC WEST RED SHOE ROOM
Brian Gutierrez

You are going to have the opportunity to experience some of the feelings, fears, hopes, struggles and conflicts that terminally ill people might go through during this period in their lives. Not everyone experiences all of the things I am about to share, but a lot of it is pertinent to most. In this exercise you will have to relinquish the things in your life that you value – the cards you hold in your hands.

SPEAKING WORDS... THROUGH SPOKEN WORD

PC WEST GREEN TABLE ROOM
Michael Vinas

Spoken what? Spoken word! Come vibe with two homies of the Spoken Word culture, Michael Vinas and Kato Dacanay, as they explore the history of Spoken Word Poetry with its roots in the Harlem Renaissance, hip-hop, and blues and why being involved in the scene can be essential today with its ties to the African-American Civil Rights movement and the underground community.

If you've never heard the phrase "Spoken Word Poetry" and are just curious as to what any of it means, or even if you know all about it, this workshop will make a memorable experience as you'll even be prepared to write and perform poems by the time it's over!

TINIKLING

PC EAST DANCE STUDIO
Lindy Hernandez & Jake La Rosa

Tinikling is a traditional Philippine dance that involves beating, tapping, and sliding bamboo poles on the ground while dancers coordinate dancing over or in between the poles.

WORKSHOP SESSION 3

3:55 PM

SELF-CARING FOR YOUR ACADEMICS

CCC LIBRARY
Anh Vo

Myth: Intense stress and constant coffee-fueled all-nighters means you are best at learning. This workshop will be a space where you can understand how self care and academics can go hand-in-hand, and allows you the best outcome on your academic performance and most importantly your mental health.

U.C. APPLICATIONS

ARTSPACE
R.D. Lomahan

U.C. (as well as other college apps) are due in a few weeks. Insight questions are something new that may seem challenging. This workshop will walk you through important steps as well as what you need to know and what you need to do from now until graduation for your apps. Info-filled workshop but expect to have some entertainment to keep y'all energized.

TRANSFERRING 101: GUIDE TO "COLLEGE" SURFING

PC WEST GREEN TABLE ROOM
Patrick Esmende

Don't like the colleges you were accepted to? Not many options left after not getting the acceptance letters you wanted? Whether it be to a community college, a university of your choosing, or to another university after having bad vibes with the first one you attended, this workshop will give you the tools to make sure you can transfer to the school you want to attend!

MUSIC MADE VISIBLE (HIP HOP DANCE WORKSHOP)

PC EAST DANCE STUDIO
Vincent Portugal - SD Dance Community/ The Lab/ Alter Ego Dance Collective

Interested in learning a choreographed hip-hop dance piece? Vince Portugal will challenge you and help you find the way your own body moves and dances in ways you didn't know you could do! Whether you're an experienced dancer or a student that's not sure if dancing is for you, we encourage you to challenge yourself and obliterate your limits!

THE MODEL MINORITY MYTH AND I

COMMUNIDAD
Danielle Llanos

The Model Minority Myth is really shitty, let's talk about it!

SPEAKERS

JOSEN MASANGKAY DIAZ, PH.D



Josen Masangkay Diaz is a second generation Filipino American and first generation college student born in Los Angeles and raised in the Inland Empire. A twice alumnus of UC-San Diego, she is currently an assistant professor of Ethnic Studies at the University of San Diego and an advisory board member of Students for Economic Justice. She is driven by the experiences of her immigrant parents, the politics of her feminist and queer comrades, the curiosities of her students, and the life lessons of 90s R&B. Her work is oriented toward asking different questions and reframing histories.

LEE ANN KIM



Lee Ann Kim is an immigrant from South Korea, proud mother, social entrepreneur and founding executive director of Pacific Arts Movement, a dynamic nonprofit media arts organization best known for its annual San Diego Asian Film Festival, serving more than 30,000 people a year through the magic of cinema. During Lee Ann's 16-year tenure as Pacific Arts Movement's Executive Director, she helped raise more than \$10 million to grow the organization and produced more than 100 youth documentaries. She also worked for nearly 12 years as a news anchor/reporter for KGTV-10, the ABC affiliate in San Diego where she earned numerous awards for her news coverage including a regional Emmy for investigative reporting and California's highest honor for educational reporting, the John Swett Award, for her coverage of bilingual education. She is passionate about social justice and bringing to light stories within the Asian Pacific Islander community.

STAFF CO-COORDINATORS

Vanessa (Ness) Cancio is a third year Marshall student majoring in Physiology and Neuroscience and minoring in Psychology. She is from Salinas, CA (NorCal represent) and is also a Resident Assistant and First Year Experience discussion leader for Marshall College. She has been involved with access work and mentorship since her first year, which inspired her to co-coordinate this year's HSC; this keeps her retained at UCSD. She enjoys spending time with her sister, eating thai food, and petting dogs.

Diego Feliciano is a third year Marshall student majoring in Psychology and minoring in Ethnic and Education Studies. He is from South East San Diego, CA and went to Morse High School. On campus he is a Resident Assistant, a CASP Peer Leader, and a Research Assistant at the Department of Education. He was inspired to co-coordinate this event because his 10th grade year he went to an APSA High School Conference. Since then, he has been involved with different spaces on campus that focus on assisting underserved communities into higher education. He enjoys lemon pepper wings from Wingstop (only Wingstop), dank memes, Closer by The Chainsmokers (jk he doesn't), and going to concerts. And he loves his mama a lot!

FLOATER CO-CHAIRS

Jasmine Atanacio is a second year Revelle student majoring in Biochemistry and Cell Biology and minoring in Business. She is from Santa Clara, CA and Chula Vista, CA. She has a passion in photography, videography, and baking. She is currently on KP Board as Ourstorian and BSSA Annual Events Committee, as well as other various committees and organizations within the campus. As an Ate in KP and a mxntor to many students of the Class of 2020 and younger, she strives to act as a resource that those can go to.

Elijah Espenida is a second year Aerospace Engineering major at Warren College. He is from Chula Vista, plays four instruments, and has a huge passion for volleyball. He likes to play basketball whenever he has free time. He's a very big space nerd and is trying his best to land his dream job at NASA. He tries his best to keep himself retained at UCSD as well as keep others dear to him retained. He firmly believes that everyone always has room to grow, and that the road to success is constantly under construction.

FUNCILITATOR CO-CHAIRS

Kathy Vilayisith is a fourth year Linguistics major with a double minor in Education Studies and Business at Eleanor Roosevelt College. Kathy is a first-generation Lao-American born and raised in San Diego, California. She's been doing access work ever since her first year and she's found that it is something that she is passionate about. She continues to do the work for the students, who make it all worth it for her. She hopes that she is able to make a strong impact on the lives of students now and in the future. She also loves to dance and sleep; you can always find her either dancing the day away or sleeping to her heart's content.

Whitney La is a third year from Sixth College double majoring in Public Health and Ethnic Studies. She is from San Jose, CA and is also the Retention Coordinator for APSA. She is very passionate about social justice work and education. Her experiences the past two years have made her very active in learning about and engaging with the Asian-American community and other underserved populations through APSA and her mentoring work at OASIS. In her spare time she loves to binge watch TV shows, obsess over cute stationery and school supplies, craft, go exploring, drink milk tea, and enjoy hanging out with friends. She encourages others to go for their passions and ambitions because the time they have in college is precious.

Isabella Amansec is a first year at Eleanor Roosevelt College. She is currently undeclared but is leaning towards majoring in History and minoring in Educational Studies!! She loves playing field hockey and eating sushi!

MEDIA/VIDEO/ENTERTAINMENT CO-CHAIRS

Jasmine Atanacio [See Floater Co-Chairs for more info.]

Emily Nguyen is a second year Mathematics-Computer Science major from Thurgood Marshall College. She is from Long Beach, California and enjoys Game of Thrones and seafood. Her hobbies include web and editorial design, and she hopes to become a UI/UX designer or a software/game developer.

OUTREACH CHAIR

Kate Pham is a third year from Marshall College majoring in Ethnic Studies and minoring in Education Studies. She grew up in San Diego after moving from Vietnam at eight years old with her parents and older brother. Her dream is to be her happiest self as well as a writer, scholar, educator, and activist.

PROGRAMMING CO-CHAIRS

Katrina Wu is a third year Communication major from Marshall College. She's often very sleepy, but when she is

energized, she enjoys having conversations with good company, exploring cities, and watching shows/movies. Katrina loves the cold, but hates being cold.

Patrick Esmende is a fifth year Human Biology major from Eleanor Roosevelt College. He loves long walks on the beach... so long as people are around (extrovert). He also enjoys his time playing his guitar, ukulele, and piano; whatever he feels like playing that day. If y'all are down for long hikes 3+ hours long, he's there!!!

Emily Nguyen [See Media/Video/Entertainment Co-Chairs for more info.]

Rizky Hakim is a third year Structural Engineering major from Sixth College. He aspires to become an architect and build the next Golden Gate Bridge. Aside from building things, he enjoys Thai Tea, listening to music, online shopping, meeting new people, and One Piece. He hopes to use his sense of humor to make people comfortable and open up and advises people to become more easygoing and to go with the flow~

REGISTRATION CHAIR

Danielle Bea Llanos, UCSD's local flower child, is a third year Communications major as well as Marine Science minor. She blesses people with unicorn blood for fun because of her religious beliefs.

SPONSORSHIP CO-CHAIRS

Helen Cao is a third year at Muir College, double majoring in Bioengineering and Molecular Biology. She is from Northern California, near Sacramento, and has come to love San Diego and hopes to continue living in SD after graduation. She is interested in the health/medicine field, especially how it intersects with social justice issues. She recommends that students continually ensure they take care of themselves, their health, their interests, and their goals.

Elijah Espenida [See Floater Co-Chairs for more info.]

WORKSHOP CO-CHAIRS

Kate Pham [See Outreach Co-Chairs for more info.]

Yulin Ma is a first year sociology major from San Gabriel, California, which she usually tell people "it's somewhere near Pasadena." She believes that everyone has the potential to succeed, they just can't give up on themselves. You can usually find her curled up in her blanket tearing up over spoken word or wedding videos on YouTube.

FLOATER/VOLUNTEERING COMMITTEE

Brian Gutierrez is a second year Human Biology major at Eleanor Roosevelt College. He can speak five languages.

Emily Nguyen [See Media/Video/Entertainment Co-Chairs for more info.]

Lyta Chea is third year Cognitive Science major at Sixth College. She is ambidextrous and is interested in dogs and art/photography. She has six Yorkies in total!

Aristotle Leung is a third year from ERC in pursuit of a Bachelor's degree in Political Science. After living in various places such as Hong Kong, New York, and New Jersey, he was able to find a home within UCSD APSA. He encourages others to lean into their discomfort and try out new things. The ancient Greeks were fascinated with hate; he however, not so much.

MEDIA/VIDEO/ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Lyta Chea [See Floater/Volunteering Committee for more info.]

Katrina Wu [See Programming Co-Chairs for more info.]

Denisse Larin [See Funcilitator Volunteers for more info.]

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

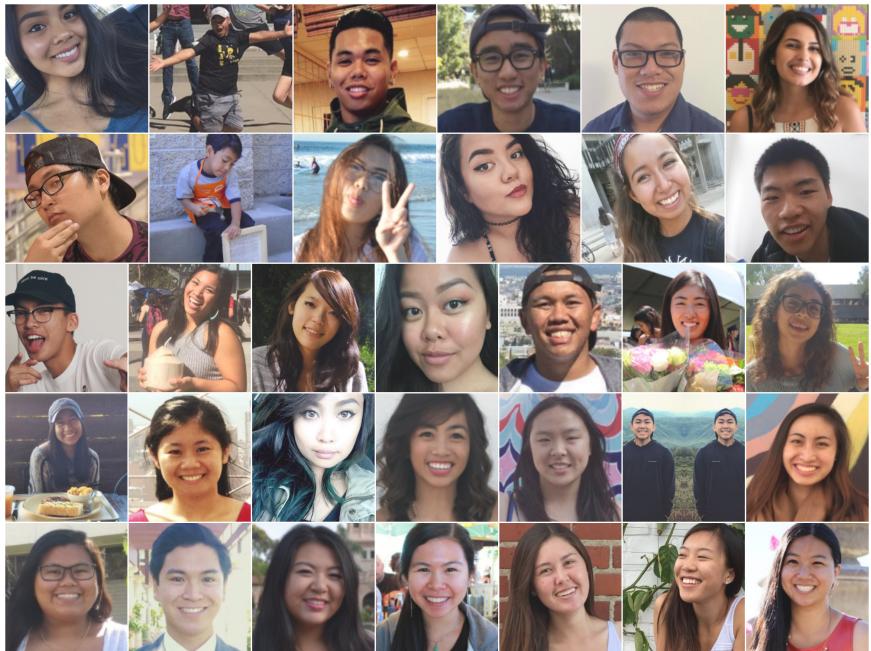
Roniel (R.D.) Lomahan is a third year Cognitive Science Major with a specialization in Human-Computer Interaction and an Ethnic Studies minor, residing in Marshall College. Born in Germany and moving to California when he was 11, he has been to many different places and countries throughout his childhood. Education has been instilled in him at a very young age, and now throughout college, he seeks to give back by being involved with high school students as much as possible through APSA HSC as well as many other access-work related events. He is Chance The Rapper's #1 fan. He encourages students to explore as many different activities and opportunities as possible and find new passions and motivations.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Amanda Say is a first year at Marshall College (yaaas) and is majoring in Human Biology. She loves to drink coffee and milk tea. Some of her favorite activities are basketball, dance, musical theatre, and hanging out with friends. Something she is interested in is health care!

WORKSHOP COMMITTEE

Brian Gutierrez [See Floaters for more info.]



FUNCILITATOR VOLUNTEERS

Isabella Amansec [See Facilitator Co-Chairs for more info.]

John Vang is a third year from Eleanor Roosevelt College majoring in Ecology, Behavior, and Evolution. He was born and raised in Sacramento, CA and wanted to attend UCSD because he felt that there were better opportunities for him outside his hometown. He is passionate about the education system and hopes to become a high school biology teacher in the future. He enjoys many things in his free time (music, sports, reading, etc.) and strongly believes that "you must explore all your passions in order to become a more well-rounded individual."

Roniel (R.D.) Lomahan [See Outreach Committee for more info.]

Ian Valencia is a second year from Sixth College and is currently studying Interdisciplinary Computing in the Arts: Music. Born in the Philippines, he grew up in Inglewood—near LAX—where he realized that education is important no matter which economic background you come from, because knowledge is power. As much as he loves music, he is also passionate about giving back to the community through outreach. His favorite song with the most quotable lyrics is "Keep Ya Head Up" by 2Pac.

Michael Tran is a third year student at Eleanor Roosevelt College and is a Cognitive Science major specializing in

Computation. He enjoys eating and cooking foods from different cultures because he feels that experiencing culturally diverse foods is a big step towards understanding a person and their culture as a whole. Michael believes that one must experience the world before one is able to make a difference in it.

Kiara Gomez is a first year student from south San Diego. She resides in Marshall College and is a Political Science major and Ethnic Studies minor. In the future she would like to attend law school and work with civil rights law! Currently, she is part of Thurgood Marshall College Student Council and uses her position to focus on community service. In her free time she plays lacrosse, goes out to eat (a lot), and watches makeup tutorials on YouTube. She also really loves dogs, Drake, and football!!

Patrick Esmende [See Programming Co-Chairs for more info.]

John Vincent Laxa, who prefers to go by JV, is a second year Marshall Bioinformatics major; however, he came to UCSD as an ICAM major in the Department of Visual Arts. He wants to combine his eye for animation and his knack for physics into a field completely unrelated to get a new perspective on how he can impact others! Most of his involvement on campus has been through publicity and marketing channels, so he hopes he can help connect others in a way they didn't consider before. He really loves filmmaking.

Nancy Phiukhao is a third year at Sixth College studying General Biology. Nancy loves to explore new things and meet new people. During the little free time she has she enjoys watching Netflix shows, superhero movies and anime. She is also from San Diego and graduated from Crawford High School (AYEEE). Nancy hopes to ultimately leave her mark on the world and give back to her community.

Ashley Carbonell is a second year at Eleanor Roosevelt College and is currently majoring in Environmental Engineering. She is from southeast San Diego, and went to Morse High School. She is a firm believer in access work and is really passionate about creating equity for higher education. In her free time, she likes to wing her eyeliner, takes naps, watch Buzzfeed videos, and cook yummy food.

Anah Esquerio is a first year at Muir College and is currently majoring in Psychology and is pre-med. She is from a small city called Temecula and loves adventures. She used to volunteer at Native American Reservations, where she developed her passion for helping others and discovered she wanted to eventually work in the medical field. She enjoys surfing, reading many books (especially Edgar Allan Poe), and dancing around to good music. Her favorite quote is, "suck the marrow out of life without choking on the bone," by Dead Poets Society because everyone should live life to the fullest while being conscious of their future.

Steve Wang is a fourth year Computer Engineering student at Warren College. Fun fact: Steve gets boba even when he doesn't feel like it because he's addicted to it. Steve is interested in looking at NBA player stats and won fantasy basketball last year \$\$. Steve wants to make a difference in people's lives by making something that people will actually use.

Michael Vinas is a first year studying the metaphysical sciences at Grossmont College but plans to transfer to UCSD. He was born in San Diego but has spent some of his life in Las Vegas and the Philippines. He is an avid Spoken Word Poet and has performed alongside many incredible artists such as Joseph Vincent and Dumbfoundead! He has routinely been involved in both programs of APSA and KP at UCSD and SDSU and aims to give back to the organizations that have given so much to him. Must be nice.

Marianne Delatorre is a third year at Eleanor Roosevelt College double majoring in Political Science and Ethnic Studies. She is a second generation Pilipina-American from National City, and was once/always will be (in her heart) a Sweetwater Union High School red devil. Her biggest dream is to work for Buzzfeed and be Buzzfeed Marianne, but for now, she's a college mentor at San Diego High for UCSD's Early Academic Outreach Program. When she's not at community events on/off campus, she's probably at a coffee shop caffeinating her bloodstream and most likely writing. Marianne also has a very fond love, maybe a mild obsession, with corgis.

Lina Ma is a third year ERC student majoring in Political Science with a minor in Business. She is APSA's current co-chair of Finance, while also being passionate in debate, graphic design, and volunteering. As a workaholic who loves \$\$\$, her aspirations are to either manage her own business or become a lawyer in the future.

Manykhoth Thosy or "Many" is a second year at ERC majoring in Global health and planning to minor or major in ethnic studies. A San Diego native, she loves to find new places to eat around North Park and Little Italy in Downtown SD. Not only does she love making her brows on fleek, but she is also interested in social justices issues that especially pertain to the API community. Her favorite word is "sonder" because she believes that everyone has an interesting, complex story to tell.

Rizky Hakim [See Programming Co-Chairs for more info.]

Eva Leung is a third year at Marshall College and is currently majoring in Human Biology with a minor in Psychology. She is from San Francisco and enjoys the warmer weather in San Diego. She recommends scheduling some alone time in your busy life to unwind and relax.

Denisse Larin is a first year physics major at Thurgood Marshall College. She plans to switch into Environmental Engineering for her second year. Her interests are anime, K-pop, and marching band. She comes from LA and hopes to furthermore encourage students to continue on to higher education regardless of roadblocks. She is also an advocate for a more sustainable world. Fun fact: two items on her bucket list are to ride an elephant and to go camping where tons of stars are insanely visible.

Kim Lol is a third year from Muir College studying physiology and neuroscience. Coming from the city of Ventura, she loves to go on food runs and have fun with friends outdoors. She encourages everyone to take the time to find out what they're passionate about and to work hard toward that goal, but to also not forget to have fun along the way.

Chunmei Chen is a third year studying mathematics and is from Eleanor Roosevelt College. She enjoys learning new things all the time and is currently taking swimming lessons on Saturdays and learning how to improve her cooking skills every week. Her favorite foods are green tea ice cream and burritos. In her free time, she likes to go to art museums with her friends because she loves to learn more about the intersection of contemporary art and science.

Stacey Reyes is a fifth year transfer at Revelle College. She is majoring in Environmental Systems with a specialization in Earth Science. Hailing from Seattle, Washington, she likes long walks through the mountains and is passionate about environmental protection.

Daphne Blas is a first year at Sixth College majoring in Human Biology and focusing on becoming pre-med. She is

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interested in social and political issues such as #NoDAPL and the upcoming presidential election, while also enjoying time on Netflix and sleeping. She's also interested in traveling and pursuing more things that make her happy. She wants to make a difference in the world in any way she can, whether it be socially or medically.

Kelly Fung is a second year at Revelle College studying Human Biology. She is from the Bay Area and she is interested in becoming a genetic counselor. She loves traveling, milk tea, and coffee. Her dream is to own a coffee shop for people to sit down, relax, and escape from their busy lives, because she believes that it is important to take a step back, see what is important, and enjoy life.

Stanley Reyes is a third year Aerospace Engineering student at Eleanor Roosevelt College. Originally from the cloudy (but beautiful) state of Washington, he enjoys hiking/other recreational activities, watching various tv shows (especially Netflix originals), and eating. He is currently in the NROTC at the University of San Diego and aspires to become a Naval Aviator after he graduates. He believes happiness is one of the most important aspects in life and believes everyone should attain it in one way or another. He aims to make a difference in the world in some positive way. Just wait. Strive for your goals, follow your passion, and enjoy life!

Tiffany Chan is a third year Public Health and Ethnic Studies double major. She is from San Francisco and loves being in nature (hiking, running, etc.). She is interested in community engagement and has worked with areas in Southeastern San Diego and the US-Mexico border regarding issues related to poverty and the negative stigma surrounding these communities. Besides being obsessed with boba, pugs, and kittens, she encourages people to explore their passions and to enjoy their time in college!

Sadie Hui is a first year from Marshall College majoring in Chemistry, and is interested in going into pediatrics. She is a San Diego native and went to Patrick Henry High School. She loves trying new foods, exploring new places, and baking/cooking during her free time. Her favorite quote: "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel," by Maya Angelou.

Mat Directo (short for Mathian) is a fifth year Computer Engineering student from Marshall College. He likes computer programming, video games, music, and learning new things. His favorite music artists right now are The Antlers, Foals, and Chance the Rapper. He once passed out on a beach after finishing a relay race.

Lydia Lee is a fourth year at Marshall College majoring in Human Biology. She is from a small town called Hacienda Heights and loves traveling and binge-watching Netflix. She recommends learning how to "treat yo self" and prioritize your mental health. Fun fact: She studied abroad in England last summer. :)

Diana Doan is currently a third year Pharmacological Chemistry major in John Muir College. She is originally from the great city of San Jose and is an aspiring pharmacist. She loves to explore the San Diego area and go out on food adventures with her friends. She also enjoys spending her time watching various TV shows, including Modern Family, Bones, and Pretty Little Liars. One of her all-time favorite quotes is, "The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step," so don't be afraid to put yourself out there and try something new!

Clare Williams is a third year from John Muir College and is majoring in Psychology. Fun fact: She loves traveling and experiencing new things. She's been to 23 states and 14 countries. One of her favorite places was Hawaii, where she ziplined over a waterfall.

Stephanie Lee is a third year Environmental Engineering student from Eleanor Roosevelt College. Her love for food, traveling, and the outdoors began in the beautiful fog of SF, and continues to motivate her to succeed in her academics. She is a firm believer in challenging oneself, self-care, hiking, and dessert.

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