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To: Ethnic Studies

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Arab American students need to learn their histories

Dear Ethnic Studies Open Comment,

I urge you to support the inclusion of Arab American studies in the Asian American studies curriculum.

Ethnic Studies is a critical subject area in our globalizing world, in order to broaden the understanding, open-mindedness, and empathy of our citizens to create a just and equitable society.

Ethnic Studies has also been linked to increases in positive personal, academic, and social outcomes for students.

Leading Asian American scholars, including the National Association of Asian American studies, have issued statements defending the inclusion of Arab American studies in the CA ESMC.

In the post-9/11 era, exacerbated by Trump's Muslim ban, Arab American students are particularly in need of curriculum that reflects their histories and current realities.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Corinth