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# FCAPE NEWSLETTER



HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR

## Message from the Faculty Caucus for Asian Pacific Equity (FCAPE) Co-Chairs, Dr. Cirian Villavicencio & Janice Takahashi

As we begin a new year, the Faculty Caucus on Asian and Pacific Equity (FCAPE) remains committed to advance initiatives to empower our Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander (AANHPI) community - our students, faculty, administrators, and staff.

Through the hard work and diligence of our steering committee and strong support from administration, below is a list of last semester's accomplishments we are proud to highlight:

- Started implementation of the Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI) Collaborative Federal Grant (with Sacramento State, the Los Rios Colleges, and Sierra College) to improve transfer pathways for our students
- Celebrated Filipino-American History Month
- Dedicated the EPICENTER, a new academic and social space for our AANHPI students
- The Board of Trustees unanimously ratified the historic API Disaggregation Resolution, committing the district to disaggregate data to identify equity gaps among our AANHPI subgroups.



**LIST OF CHINESE NEW YEAR  
EVENTS AND QUICK FACTS  
INSIDE!**

**CHINESE NEW YEAR STARTS  
ON FEB. 1ST**

- Offered professional development presentations on the Model Minority Myth and Microaggressions
- Offered EEO Training for all FCAPE members and other Interested AAPI staff
- Continued fundraising efforts in support of APIASA Scholarships
- The Academic Senate recognized both Dr. Cirian Villavicencio and Professor Eric Honda with the Faculty and Part-Time Faculty Distinguished awards

## On-Going Initiatives

- Hiring: Securing full-time entitlements for Asian American History and Ethnic Studies professors
- Curriculum: Development for an Asian Literature course and revival of Asian language courses (i.e. Chinese, Tagalog, Hindi)
- Professional Development: Development of Bystander Intervention Training and participating at the Asian Pacific American in Higher Education (APAHE) Conference
- Cultural Events: Planning for Day of Remembrance (Japanese Internment) and AAPI Heritage Month celebration
- Campus Facilities: Engage with the Heritage Committee to establish an AAPI campus memorial
- EPIC Learning Community: Planning for field trips to the State Capitol, Sacramento State, and Yosemite National Park
- Grants: Explore opportunities to apply for the AANAPISI Institutional Grant

We are grateful for the campus community's continued support and engagement in this important work as we strive to achieve a more inclusive and equitable institution for all of our students

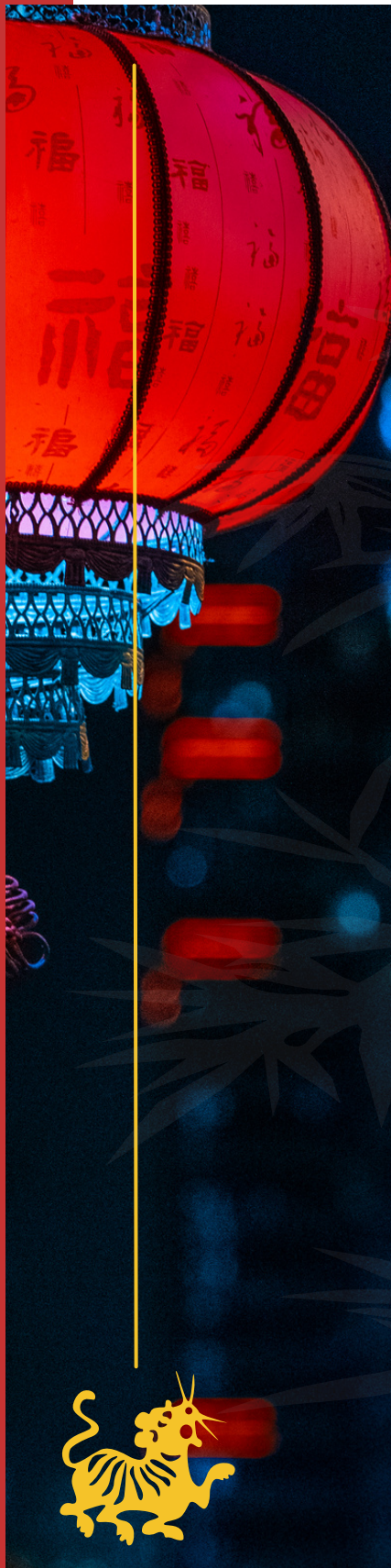
## The dangers of the Model Minority myth and spotting microaggressions toward the AANHPI community (Recorded Session)

Please press the button below if you missed the Workshop that Professors Lorraine Doria and Vienna Sa conducted on behalf of Delta College Faculty Caucus for Asian Pacific Equity (FCAPE). Professors Doria and Sa brought awareness to the history of racism and microaggressions aimed at the AANHPI community. In particular the harm that comes from the Model Minority myth, the fetishizing of Asian women, and the growing violence targeted at people of Asian descent due to the COVID virus.

It was an excellent workshop!

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Here is the link:



# San Joaquin Delta College's Board of Trustees Unanimously Ratifies AAPI Data Disaggregation Resolution

On Tuesday, December 14, 2021, the San Joaquin Board of Trustees had unanimously approved the Faculty Caucus for Asian Pacific Equity's (FCAPE) AAPI Data Disaggregation Resolution. It was a memorable historical event for our community to address and to clarify the Model Minority Myths.

The San Joaquin Delta College's Teachers' Association (SJDCTA), San Joaquin Delta College's Academic Senate, and SJDCTA's Social Justice Committee had also ratified and supported the AAPI Data Disaggregation Resolution before the board voted on it to ensure in the future AAPI students' data get disaggregated. Also, it will help most disproportionately impacted AAPI student's close academic needs and gaps. The Academic Senate supported the resolution and presented it to the Board of Trustees for a vote of approval.

FCAPE Outreach Committee members would like to thank everyone who supported us in this historical event and to the San Joaquin Delta College Board of Trustees for approving this special resolution and thank you Counselor/Professor, FCAPE Co-Chair, and 1st VP of the Academic Senate, Ms. Janice Takahashi; Political Science Professor, APIASA President, and FCAPE Co-Chair Dr. Cirian Villavicencio; and History Professor Dr. Wesley Swanson representing SJDCTA for your endless support and in delivering the public comments for this resolution.

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If you are interested in applying for any of our APIASA scholarships, the application deadline this year is Wednesday, March 2nd. You can apply at the following button:

[\*\*Scholarship Opportunities\*\*](#)

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For the 30th year, APIASA is doing our best to sponsor Asian-American events and support our AAPI students with access to higher education through monetary scholarships. Many of Delta's AAPI students are among some of the most economically disadvantaged; according to the Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness, over 90% of our Cambodian, Laotian, Vietnamese, and Samoan students are low income. If you would like to support our cause, please consider making a one-time donation. Every dollar goes 100% to awarding student scholarships and is tax deductible.

Your donations help us support these success stories!

[\*\*Donate Now\*\*](#)

You can also consider donating through a monthly payroll deduction! If all Delta employees contributed just \$5 a month (the price of a Venti Latte at Starbucks), all of our annual awards would be easily sustained.

[\*\*Set a Monthly Contribution Here\*\*](#)

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If you have not yet redeemed your \$200 Employee Vaccine Incentive, we hope you will consider giving a portion of it to APIASA (Foundation account: 'Asian Pacific Islander American Staff Assoc.'). We proudly use 100% of these donations to awarding student scholarships.

[\*\*Redeem Your Incentive Here\*\*](#)



# HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR!



## When is Lunar New Year 2022?

**Tuesday, February 1**

Lunar New Year 2022 falls on Tuesday, February 1st, 2022. Celebrations culminate with the Lantern Festival on February 15th, 2022.

## How Long is Chinese New Year?

**16 Days**

Celebrations last up to 16 days, but only the first 7 days are considered a public holiday (January 31st-February 6th, 2022).

## What is the 2022 Chinese Zodiac?

**Tiger**

Chinese New Year marks the transition between zodiac signs: 2022 is the year of the Tiger; 2021 the year of the Ox

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### Year of the Tiger

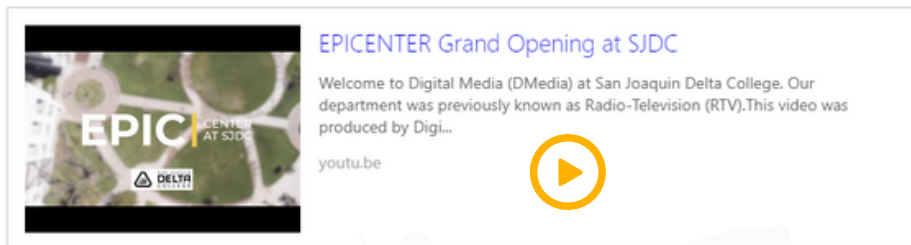
Tigers are the third of the Chinese zodiacs. According to legend, Tiger was so confident that no one could compete with its speed and vigor for the celestial race that would decide the order of the zodiacs. However, when Tiger climbed out of the river, thinking it was first, it was informed that Rat placed first for its cunning and Ox placed second for its diligence. This left the king of the jungle having to settle for third place.

Like their eponymous zodiac animal, people born in years of the Tiger are vigorous and ambitious, daring and courageous, enthusiastic and generous, self-confident with a sense of justice and a commitment to help others for the greater good.

# EPICENTER is Open for Spring 2022!

The EPICENTER is a one-stop shop located in SCMA Building Room 327. It serves as a student service and academic support hub dedicated to supporting our AAPI students and the EPIC Learning Community. It offers several private offices as well as a workroom where students will have access to the study area, computers, and printers. WE welcome all of our Delta College students to come and join our family!

**To get a glimpse of what the EPICENTER has to offer, check out the video link below:**



*Save the Date!*

## Upcoming Events

### **WE ARE BRUCE LEE: UNDER THE SKY - FEB. 5TH**

The Chinese Historical Society of America (CHSA) is proud to announce the return of San Francisco Chinatown's native son with the upcoming exhibit, *We Are Bruce Lee: Under the Sky, One Family*, will showcase the vision and values of the Chinese American icon who transcended race, geography, and culture through uncanny strength and resilience. We Are Bruce Lee will make its debut in our CHSA museum space on February 5, 2022.

Visitors of all ages will discover unique perspectives of Bruce beyond martial arts and acting – as a visionary, athlete, thinker, and unifier who fought discrimination with profound engagement with a multicultural society. They will learn about his evolution from a visionary to a pioneering entrepreneur and his immortal influence on fans and followers across generations, backgrounds, and all walks of life.

Contact information for the opening of the museum on Feb. 5th, 2022 is listed below:

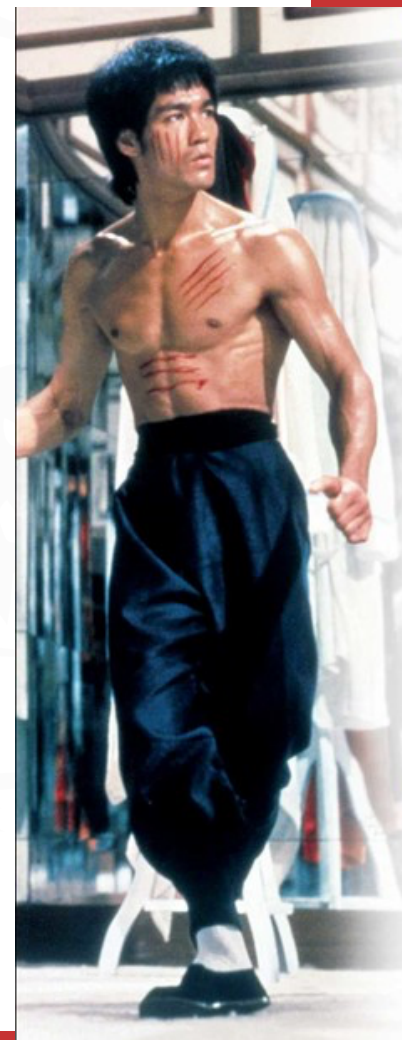
965 Clay Street, San Francisco, CA 94108.

(415) 391-1188

Info@chsa.org

Wednesday to Sunday - 11:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m.

[More Info](#)



## Join us: To Be Seen, is To Be Heard: Moving Beyond the Model Minority

'To Be Seen, is To Be Heard: Moving Beyond the Model Minority' a virtual storytelling of Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) college students at Sacramento State sharing their experiences and personal stories. The virtual storytelling serves as a reminder of the cultural expectation and social pressure placed on APIDA College students. Hear from a transfer, Fijian, veteran student parent; an international student from India; a refugee student leader from a family of 13; a Laotian student teacher, and many others. This is one of many multifaceted equity platforms to bring voices to the diverse and continually growing APIDA student community at the University who wish to be seen and to feel belonged.

The event will culminate with strategies on how to counteract the effects of the model minority stereotype.

**Date:** Feb. 4, 2022 and **Time:** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**TO JOIN US, PLEASE CLICK IMAGE BELOW:**



## ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICANS IN HIGHER EDUCATION( APAHE) CONFERENCE

**Date:** April 6 - 8th, 2022 **Location:** Westin Long Beach Hotel

Proposal topics include:

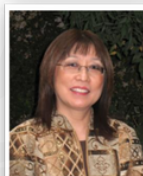
1. Coalition formation across AANHPI & ally formation outside AANHPI
2. Equity, Student Success, and Support Programs
3. Ethnic Identity, Empowerment & Advocacy
4. Leadership development and career advancement
5. Legislation, Policy & research
6. Mental Health & well-being and
7. Equity, Student Success & support program.

To get an early discount, please make your reservation by Friday, March 11, 2022.

Register

More Info

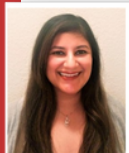
**The FCAPE, APIASA, and EPIC Committee members would like to thank our community members and Administration for your continuous support.**



**Janice Takahashi**  
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Co-Chair, FCAPE



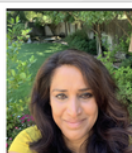
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Website Coming Soon!

