Planting the Legaseeds at SMCCCD: Creating Filipinx Learning Communities Collegewide, Districtwide, and Statewide

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Who We Are

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Our Needs

Systemwide
Creation of a Statewide Filipinx Learning Community

Districtwide
Guidance in creating SMCCCD Study Abroad program in the Philippines, as well as establish sister college and university relationships

Collegewide
Support for localized efforts at our individual campuses, particularly with dual enrollment

Why This Matters

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<th>Campus</th>
<th>Total Population (2020-2021)</th>
<th>Filipinx</th>
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<td>Cañada</td>
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<td>23,264</td>
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LOVE + HOPE = TRANSFORMATION

Valarie Kaur
Revolutionary LOVE

Jeff Duncan-Andrade
Critical HOPE

Carolyn Shields & Dr. Newin Orante
TRANSFORMATIVE
Critical Leadership

Timeline of SMCCCD Filipinx Programs

PAST

• 1979: Kabanata Program (KP) at Skyline College established by Hilda Flores and Jeffrey Arceo
• 2003: KP re-established by Dr. Lisa Everglad
• 2015: Demetrio Carreon offered and created including English, Counseling, Sociology, History, Ethnic, Dance, Film, Critical Production, and Art
• 2006: Filipina Women Network (FPW) established
• 2006: First Filipino Cultural Night at Skyline College
• 2007: Pre-majors program established within KP
• 2008: Dr. Nan Novelo becomes the first of 10 KP instructors in 14 years
• 2014:Began working with Filipinos: Foreign Language Teaching Assistants (FLTA) from the Philippines. To date, Skyline College has hosted 10 FLTA.
• 2015: KP is named Kabanata Learning Community (KLC)
• 2020: Kabanata Seminar (KOUIN 603) a concurrent enrollment course established at Westlake HS, then at South San Francisco HS 2015
• 2019: Kabanata Student Organization established at College of San Mateo

PRESENT

• 2020: continued remote support of FYSSD cohort during pandemic and cohorts on place
• 2020-21: 79 new student cohort
• District-wide work with student organizations CISU and Kabanata, as well as staff, to support Anti-Asian Hate
• Counselors presented at 3 College and Board of Trustees meeting on creating of Asian American Pacific Islander Task Group at Skyline College.

Current projects:
• Outreach for Kabanata Seminar for Westlake and South San Francisco HS.
• Anti-hate program to Jefferson HS.
• Collaborative support of CISU and Kabanata student organizations.
• Campus Outreach via Skyline College ASSC’s College Hour
• Programming for Filipino American History Month
• Develop Kabanata campus exposure event for feeder high school students

FUTURE

Systemwide Transformation:
• Center for Southeast Asian American Learning Community
• Build bridges to Bay Area California State Universities
• District-wide Transformation
• Develop partnership with Philippines Department of Education Early Childhood Program
• Student exchange programs
• Sister college exchanges

Collegewide Transformation:
• Skyline expanded dual enrollment program at feeder high schools, establish dedicated full-time counseling positions, create Kabanata Peer Mentoring Program
• College of San Mateo Studies of women offering orientation and seminar for official sharing community college office in 2017
• College of San Mateo—identify student and sufficiently advisory
"Tatlong Bagsak": Kababayan Learning Community’s 15th Anniversary Celebration

Current Projects

CSM:
- Katipunan - KAMP Peer Mentorship Program
- COUN 240, Fall 2020 & Fall 2021 cohort

Skyline:
- Outreach for Kapatiran Seminar for Westmoor and South San Francisco H.S.
- Discover Kababayan for feeder high school students
- Creation of Anti-Asian Hate Resolution Task Group

CSM & Skyline:
- Continued support of FSU and Katipunan student organizations
- Programming for Filipino American History Month

Cañada:
- ASCC presented a Multicultural Center resolution
- Presentations on Addressing Anti-Asian Racism
Leadership and partnership from SMCCCD with Dr. Newin Orante to connect with CCCCO, CSU Board of Trustees, UC Regents and UCOP in developing initial Statewide Filipinx Learning Community discussion.

- Coalition for Statewide Filipinx Learning Community
- Build bridges to Bay Area California State Universities
- Collaboration with CCCCO, UMOJA Statewide, and UCOP Puente

California Filipinx Statewide Learning Communities: Current & Emerging

- 2003 – Kababayan Learning Community, Skyline
- 2008 – Tulay Retention Program, CCSF
- **2022 – Katipunan Learning Community, CSM
- 2019 – Kapwa Learning Community, SD Mesa College
- 2019 – Kasaysayan Learning Community, Napa Valley College
- Emerging – San Jose City College
- Emerging – Glendale Community College
- 2006 – Bayan Scholars, Southwestern College

*approval pending*
NEED #2: Districtwide Transformation

Integration with Study Abroad programs at each of our respective SMCCD colleges. Identify SMCCD point of contact for leadership and guidance in formalizing cross-institutional relationships.

- Create SMCCCD Study Abroad program in the Philippines, as well as establish sister college and university relationships.
- Develop partnership with Philippines, Department of Education Balik Aral Program

NEED #3: Collegewide Transformation

Given that our colleges are at different maturity levels in programming and our efforts to respect the autonomy at each of our colleges, we ask our esteemed Presidents to support our localized efforts.
NEED #3: Collegewide Transformation

Cañada College
- Development of the Multicultural Center
- Identify student and staff/faculty advisory

CSM
- Establish and approve Katipunan Filipinx Learning Community in Fall 2022
- Begin outreach/dual enrollment at feeder high schools

Skyline
- Expand outreach/dual enrollment at feeder high schools, especially Jefferson H.S.
- Revive Kapamilya Peer Mentoring Program

Commitment

The SMCCCD commitment in fulfilling this work is predicated by the pillars of LOVE + HOPE = TRANSFORMATION.

All must be present to impact our institutions, the lives of our students, and the well being of our community. That is the educational work that we are striving for.

We ask for the support and commitment of the Board of Trustees, SMCCCD Chancellor, and College Presidents to stand with us in this critical work.
Given what was presented today with faculty and classified professionals, as we envision moving this work forward, we will need district leadership and guidance.

Who would that be?

And we ask the same of our colleges.

Maraming Salamat!

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