This semester was a semester to remember! We continued to make adaptations and changes as the pandemic landscape shifted. It's wild to think that even after all this time the pandemic is still clearly present in our lives. Despite all of that, the semester was busy and filled with so much fun and joy!

Students, staff, and faculty felt more comfortable coming back into the office space, attending events, and building community. We hosted many events throughout the semester, especially during APIDA Heritage Month in April. Some of the APIDA Heritage month events included hosting keynote speakers Kapulei Flores and Chanel Miller with the Native American Cultural Center and the Women and Gender Advocacy Center respectively. We also celebrated Ramadan Iftar, and worked with local Mongolian American artist, Eriko Tsogo, to create the Green Mask Project, which is displayed in the APACC space.

At the end of the semester, we celebrated 31 graduating senior undergraduate and 3 graduating graduate students. We also said goodbye to the APACC Assistant Director, Carl Murray Olsen. All of these folks will be deeply missed. APACC wouldn't be what it is without everyone in the community. The students, staff, faculty, and alumni all come together to create meaningful space and home. We can't thank everyone enough for the memories, joy, and care in our community. It's nice to know that we can all be there for one another!
Ethan Ho
Hello, I'm one of the Community Development Coordinators and I'm currently a 3rd year studying Computer Engineering. My favorite memory from the year was the retreat with NACC.

Muemang Ling
Hello, I am one of the Community Development Coordinators. My favorite memory from the semester was the staff retreat between APACC and the Native American Cultural Center (NACC). Not only did I meet amazing people from NACC, but I also got to form a deeper connection with those I work with!

Jamilyn Castillo
Hi I am Jamilyn Castillo. I am one of the Peer Mentor Coordinators. I am a 4th year student with a major in Human Development and Family Studies and a minor in Ethnic Studies. My favorite memories in APACC consist of getting to know the staff throughout the semester and the moments of laughter we share. I also enjoyed getting to know our peer mentors and meeting mentees.

Rachel Wada
Hi all, I’m the Student Success Coordinator at APACC. My favorite memory from the year was during APIDA Heritage Month! I loved meeting and working with artist Eriko Tsogo, moderating the transracial adoptee panel, and watching Chanel Miller’s keynote.

Carl Murray Olsen
Hey y'all, my name is Carl Murray Olsen, pronouns are He/him/his and my favorite Memory from the semester was having the space PACKED when we had dogs to come and pet.

JoAnn Cornell
Hi everyone, my name is JoAnn and I serve as director of APACC. My favorite memory of the semester was celebrating all of the graduating seniors and outstanding contributions to APACC this year at the Awards Ceremony!

Jamilyn Castillo
She/Her/Siya
Peer Mentor Coordinator
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MEET THE STAFF

Marina Gorin
She/Her/Hers
Peer Mentor Coordinator
Hi my name is Marina Gorin. I am an international student from France and Vietnam. I enjoy playing soccer, reading and fostering dogs. I am a 4th year majoring in Zoology. My favorite memory of APACC is making ramen with my co-workers and then playing mahjong together!

Randy Huynh
He/Him/His
Communications Manager
Hey, I'm one of the Communications Managers and I usually do the newsletters. I just graduated with majors in Accounting and Finance, and its a bit bitter sweet. I made it a goal to make lots of great memories and friends, and I did just that! I'm going to miss APACC!

Suka Vo
She/Her/Hers
Communications Manager
Hii, I'm one of the Communications Managers and I mainly focus on the Instagram. I am going to be a 4th year and majoring in BFA with a concentration in Graphic Design. My favorite memory from the year was the staff retreat in Estes Park and the Karaoke Nights we held.

Alejandra Mariñelarena-Olvera
She/Her/Hers
ICA
Hiya, I am currently graduating with a major in Ethnic International Studies with a Concentration in Latin America. It was really great meeting everyone, and I'm going to miss my friends dearly.

An-Ping Yu
She/Her/Hers
RamEvents Liaison
Hey y'all, my name is An-Ping and I'm a junior majoring in Biology. I really enjoyed the fireside chat with Chanel Miller for APIDA Heritage Month this year!

Minahil Chaudhary
She/Her/Hers
ICA
Hi, I am a 4th year majoring in Information Systems. My favorite memory was the staff retreat with NACC, it was a lot of fun!
Andrew Grant
He/Him/His
Chai to Understand
So my name is Andrew Grant. I'm a third year double majoring in International Studies and Political Science. My favorite memory from this semester was the special meal of tamales, green chile, and enchiladas made by Theresa and her sister on the APACC/NACC staff retreat.

Ben Torres-Doxey
He/Him/His
ASCSU Senator
Heya, I am a 2nd year majoring in Political Science and my favorite memory was the APACC and BAACC karaoke night!

Grace Kirk
They/Them
Awards Ceremony Coordinator
Hello, I am a second year majoring in Biomedical and Mechanical Engineering. My favorite memory from the year was the APACC and NACC staff retreat!

Reham Abdunabi
She/Her/Hers
ASCSU Senator
I am currently a sophomore majoring in Political Science. My favorite memory from the year was getting to meet everyone on the first day and doing the Q/A and the activities during our staff meetings!

Clyde Nguyen
He/Him/His
ASCSU Senator
Hey, I am a third year majoring in Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts and my favorite memory was honestly getting hired!
It was truly fun connecting the APACC and NACC staff together for a retreat filled with bonding, training, and fun. Great memories and friends were made.
CHAI TO UNDERSTAND

Chai to Understand is a big part of how we educate the community about APIDA & SWANA communities. Whether it's about food, important issues, or financial aid and academics we strive to help the community understand!
This semester, we partnered with Human Animal Bond in Colorado (HABIC), to put on Destressing with Dogs in both APACC and NACC!
KARAOKE NIGHTS

We partnered with B/AACC this semester to put on two karaoke nights! The second night had a theme of 90's Throwback.
Graduate students, Staff, and Faculty are such an important part of the APACC community. This semester we had a mixer at the Colorado Room, began APIDA Heritage Month with lunch at the Foundry, and celebrated the end of the year with a potluck!
We celebrated APIDA Heritage Month in April. During the month, we visited Meow Wolf Denver with interactive art installation "Mongovoo" artist Eriko Tsogo. Back on campus, Eriko worked with APACC students to co-create the Green Mask Project. APIDA Heritage Month also included celebrating Ramadan Iftar and hosting keynote speakers Kapulei Flores and Chanel Miller.
AWARDS CEREMONY & GRADUATES

Kyla Waguespack  Jocelyn Matsutani  Maya Thompson  Brandon Baum  Uyen Le  Esther Pai  Asia Clark  Minahil Chaudhary  Eryn Lum

Maya Thompson  Brandon Baum  Ayaka Paul  Alejandra Marinelarena  Jolie Le

Uyen Le  Esther Pai  Sheyenne Rambo-Cromer  Nathan You  Shelby Andrist

Aja Carney  Cierra Benson  Ester Sitorus  Gabi Baumann  Jamilyn Castillo  Jing-Mei Fillmore  Kalei Kim  Kat Klein  Kira Douglas  Koa Williamson  Malak Shawesh  Mikey Hashimoto  Randy Huynh  Sunbul Zeerak  Tiffany Miao  Vani Kapoor

Dr. Kerry Nakasone Wenzler, PhD; Stephen Chang, M.S.; Hannah Tran, M.S.
Alice Ardito

Alice Ardito graduated from CSU in 2016 with a degree in social work and Spanish. During her time with APACC she was a Peer Mentorship/Leadership Coordinator and involved in the PALS program. She later served in the Peace Corps in the Dominican Republic working in youth and family development and then worked as a social worker for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Alice recently returned to CSU to pursue a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy.

Bé Doan

Bé graduated from CSU Fall 2016 with a Bachelor of Science in Fashion Merchandising and Business minor. Bé was looking for a career change and decided to go back to school for coding during the Pandemic (2020-2021), and Esthetician School (2022) to learn lashes. Bé is a very creative person, and she decided to learn coding because it allows her to be creative but in the technology industry. After graduating school for both coding and Esthetician, Bé is now working as a Web Developer for a non-profit business company, and she is starting her own two businesses in Web Design as a Freelancer and Lash Technician (in the beauty field). Bé’s Web Design business is called Doan Web Developer LLC. Doan Web Developer LLC is a Web Design and Development business that helps small owned businesses focus on growing the beauty industry by providing an online presence.

We want to continue highlighting more alumni! Is there an alum you want us to spotlight? Email Us at apacc.csu@gmail.com with your nominations!