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INCLUSION, COMMUNITY AND BELONGING

Meet the NPHC Greeks

In collaboration with Greek Life and the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC - historically Black Greek letter organizations) undergraduate chapters from San Diego State University, the Black Resource Center hosted an event in Price Center Theatre to educate and expose UC San Diego students to NPHC culture. This event was well-received and attendees included a diverse group of students from many of the Greek letter organizations and the general campus community. This event is part of a continuing effort to revitalize the NPHC presence and culture at UC San Diego.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS/CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Center Office Hours with College Advisors

As part of an effort to diversify offerings, the Black Resource Center teamed up with the Academic Advisors in the 6 colleges to offer college advising mid-quarter in the BRC. This drop-in/non-traditional setting was meant to capture a segment of students who may not usually frequent the Advising offices. Students were not required to make appointments to visit the advisors. Advisors were in the Center over a 2 day period – 3 colleges on one day, 3 colleges on the following day – for approximately 2 hours in the late afternoon.

RESEARCH WITH BENEFITS WORKSHOP

This workshop brought together the Center for Investigations of Health and Education Disparities (CiHED), Academic Enrichment Programs (AEP) and current graduate students in STEM and Social Sciences to talk about the opportunities and benefits of undergraduate students conducting research. Undergraduate students were informed about the application process, criteria and compensation within the various campus programs. Additionally, graduate students share their personal experience in conducting research during both their undergraduate and graduate school time. Particularly with AEP, this was an opportunity to speak more broadly about the programs and services offered through their office. This academic year, AEP has held regular office hours in the BRC, allowing more students to be exposed to information about their internships/academic enrichment.
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TEACHING/TRAINING/CONSULTING

University of California Irvine Visit

The Black Resource Center hosted colleagues from UC Irvine during an early spring visit. During the visit, the team of faculty and staff members from UC Irvine had an opportunity to visit the Black Resource Center, Black Legacy Mural & Seating Area and the Sojourner Truth statue. In addition to meeting with Black Resource Center and Equity, Diversity & Inclusion staff members, the UCI team had the opportunity to speak with current UC San Diego Black student leaders about their experience relative to the programs/services offered on-campus. This was an opportunity to share best practices in light of the opportunities/challenges presented in establishing the Black Resource Center.

OUTREACH/YIELD/RETENTION

Overnight Program & Triton Day

The 6th annual Overnight Program (April 2nd – 4th) hosted 48 admitted students for the 3 day-2 night program. Current UC San Diego students served as hosts to the attendees and were selected through an application process. This year, we received an overwhelming response from attendees resulting in the highest number of attendees since the program’s inception in 2010. The 2015 Overnight Program was facilitated in collaboration with various campus units including the Division of Biological Sciences, Visual Arts, Theatre & Dance, Social Sciences Faculty members, Admissions and Relations with Schools, SPACES and the Black Student Union.