

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce that the U.S. Department of Education has awarded USF a five-year Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) program grant titled "Building Institutional Capacity through an Integrated AAPI Center for Educational Success (ACES)." AANAPISI grants support efforts by Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving institutions to improve and expand services for Asian Americans and Native American Pacific Islanders and low-income individuals.

The grant will provide USF with \$1.4 million from 2023–27 for a range of programs to support our AAPI students. This new initiative includes four components: a dedicated center for AAPI students; faculty learning communities; staff and leadership learning communities; and student leadership development communities.

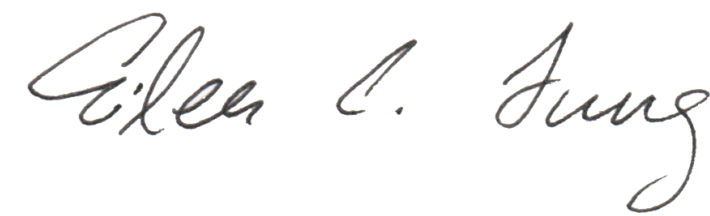
An information session to learn more about the grant is scheduled for 4–5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 10, in UC 222 (the faculty/staff dining room). AAPI faculty, staff, and librarians are especially encouraged to attend.

RSVP for the information session »

If you are unable to attend and would like to learn more, please contact the co-principal investigators of the grant, **Christine Yeh** or **Melissa Canlas**.

I look forward to our collaboration on this exciting opportunity.

Regards,



Eileen Chia-Ching Fung
Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

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