

PILIPINO AMERICAN COLLEGIATE ENDEAVOR

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Dear PACE Community,

Korelayaan hopes this message finds you in good health. We trust that you've found meaningful ways to enjoy the remaining of the semester indoors as much as possible given the circumstances. The last couple of weeks has definitely been an interesting time for all of us. We hope you are adjusting to practicing physical distancing, while still keeping in touch with your friends and loved ones online. This new reality has raised anxiety and concerns, led to difficult decisions, but also opened new opportunities to help the community at large and sustain the experiences that we have planned for a rich semester.

PACE Events and Programs

Given University event cancellations and recommendations from health experts, all PACE events, including general meetings, Friendship Games Board Panels, and Kore Debates, are transitioning online via Zoom. Unfortunately, PACE's Talentado Showcase is cancelled, and on behalf of Kai-Sanctum 48, the 48th Annual Pilipinx Cultural Night is suspended.

Below we have included a list of our upcoming virtual events/gatherings which will transition online via Zoom:

Event/Meeting Dates

Recurring Meeting Link: https://sfsu.zoom.us/j/684049578

Meeting ID: 684 049 578

Monday, April 6, 6:00PM - 8:00PM: SOMAHH "Let's Start From Skratch" DJ Workshop

Tuesday, April 7, 6:00PM - 7:00PM: Filipinx Health Initiative SF: Meditation Workshop

Thursday, April 9, 6:00PM - 8:30PM: Isang Panel

Tuesday, April 14, 5:30PM - 7:30PM: PACE General Meeting #2

Tuesday, April 14, 7:30PM - 9:00PM: Kore/FG Board Interest Meeting

Thursday, April 16, 6:00PM - 8:00PM: Intern-Ran Event

Sunday, April 26- May 2: Linggo Ng Kultura (Week of Culture)

Tuesday, May 5, 6:00PM - 7:30PM: PACE General Meeting #3

Wednesday, May 6, 6:00PM - 9:00PM: Friendship Games Board Panels

Thursday, May 7, 6:00PM - 9:00PM: Kaisahan Art Showcase

Friday, May 8, 6:00PM: Internship Show

Tuesday, May 12, 6:00PM - 9:00PM: Kore Debates

Wednesday, May 13 - May 20: Voting

Dates are subject to change and events may be added. Check out PACE's Instagram, @pacesfsu1967, for updates.

Statement About the Militarized Lockdown in Luzon, Philippines

PACE is partnering with the National Alliance for Filipino Concerns (NAFCON) in their Bayanihan Response to COVID-19. We are continuously planning and thinking of ways to help our PACE and Filipinx community in the Bay and in the Philippines.

As part of the Bayanihan Response, check out <u>PACE's demands here.</u> We will also be holding biweekly news updates regarding the COVID-19 situation in the Philippines, health and wellness workshops via Zoom, as well as constant updates on our Instagram regarding resources, news, volunteer opportunities, fundraisers, and activities to keep you all engaged in our community.

We encourage our general members to participate in learning more about how to help our folxs in need by simply checking out our social media @pacesfsu1967 and sharing content to friends and family.

Give Help

List of ways folks can help in the community in the US or Philippines.

- NAFCON Bayanihan Response
- <u>Filipino Scientists in America</u> are asking for donations that will go to the UP Medical Foundation Inc. to mass produce COVID test kits and to procure PPEs for our medical healthcare workers in the Philippines.
- <u>KADAMAY</u>--the Philippines' largest alliance of urban poor people, has been asking for donations to help support their efforts to provide: food, safe water, urgently needed health supplies, and financial assistance.
- <u>The Filipino Community Center</u> has also partnered with NAFCON in their Bayanihan Response and is asking for food donations and/or volunteers to help deliver food to households in need in San Francisco.

Get Help

- Need help with food or housing? We encourage you to visit <u>SFSU Basic Needs Initiatives</u> for a variety of food and housing resources.
- Experiencing unexpected financial hardship? We encourage you to apply for funds with the HOPE Crisis Fund through the Dean of Students Office.
- Out of work because of COVID-19? These businesses are hiring.
- Check out <u>At-Home Wellness Guide to Staying Healthy During COVID-19</u> for wellness tips!
- Experiencing food insecurity? Here are <u>Food Pantry Pop-Ups</u> available throughout San Francisco + <u>Food Stamp application</u> for those who need extra help paying for groceries.

Your support during these times will help us continue providing community for all of us. Even without our physical locations and despite changes in our events and schedule, Korelayaan is working tirelessly in the coming weeks to make sure we are accessible to all of our general members.

In solidarity,

KORELAYAAN

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