Welcome to Spooky Season, Lobos!
Here's what's coming up at AAPIRC:

Various days & times, AAPIRC:
Language Appreciation Circles (see below for more details!)
Mondays, 3:30–4:30pm, AAPIRC:
Yoga Sessions
TODAY, Wednesday, October 5th, 4–5:30pm, AAPIRC:
Orientalism Reading Group
Friday, October 7th, 6–8pm, AAPIRC:
Anime Night
Saturday, October 15th, 9am–5pm, Grace Church:
Chinese American Film Festival
Sunday, October 16th, 10am, AAPIRC:
Filmmaker Breakfast

With midterms coming up, we also want to reiterate that our number 1 priority is our students’ wellbeing and success! Please reach out to us and our director/advisor, Farah Nousheen, for any support.

We hope to see you at our events and around the center and, as always, thank you for your support!

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Anime Night
Friday, October 7th, 6-8pm

Come join AAPIRC for Anime Night on Friday, October 7th from 6–8 pm where we will be screening *Nausica of The Valley of the Wind* in partnership with the Japanese Language Culture Club and Demand Nuclear Abolition organization! We will be providing popcorn and Japanese snacks.

--> Please RSVP here! <----
NOTE: Dinner is not provided so please feel free to bring your own food!

Anime Night
with AAPIRC, JLCC, and DNA

Friday Oct. 7th @ 6pm
AAPIRC Education Classrooms 212

Come watch this Studio Ghibli classic about a post-nuclear futuristic world starring our heroine Nausicaä

Popcorn and Japanese Snacks Provided

BYO Pillows and Blankets!

They're Here!
AAPIRC Language Appreciation Circles
Asian Heritage Language Appreciation Circles (LACs)

Tagalog with Vincent Hilario
Tuesdays & Thursdays | 5:30-6:30pm

Vietnamese with Huy Nguyen
Mondays | 12-1pm
Tuesdays | 2-3pm

Hindi/Urdu with Aiman Aamer & Ashish Joshi
Fridays | 2-3pm
*another time TBA*

Whether you are fluent in your Asian heritage language, were never taught by your parents, or learning to speak with a significant other, you are welcome at our LACs! Find a community of peers who speak your heritage language. Email aapirc@unm.edu with any questions or to be added to the mailing list for you LAC.

All circles held at AAPIRC
Education Classrooms 211 & 212

Are you wondering if this LAC is for you? We have adapted this checklist from the Spanish as a Heritage Language Program. If one or more of these apply to you, we invite you to attend the circle!

- When I was a child, the language was spoken in my home.
- My first language was this language, even though I don't feel like I speak it fluently now.
- When I was a child, this language was spoken in my home.
- I lived in a country which spoke this language for two years or longer.
- I speak this language, or a combination of it and English, with my family/friends
- My parents/grandparents speak to me in this language even if it is as simple as giving me a command
- I come from a community where it is common to hear this language
- I consider this language to be an important part of my culture
- I come from a family that speaks this language or historically has spoken this language
- I understand more of this language than I can speak or write

We are so excited to announce the official start the LAC program. **We have amazing facilitators for each circle, hear from them below!**

**Vincent Hilario (Tagalog):**
My name is Vincent Hilario, I am facilitating the Tagalog Language Appreciation Circle. We had our first meeting last Thursday during AAPIRC's language night and decided to do meetings twice a week, **Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm, at AAPIRC (EDUC 211 & 212).** We want to reach as many people as possible, so this meeting time is subject to change upon request!
The Tagalog LAC is aimed towards Filipinos who want to learn or retain the Tagalog language. It is open to any level of proficiency and is a judgement free zone where we can all learn and grow together. I hope to see you all!

**Huy Nguyen (Vietnamese):**
Hello everyone! I am really looking forward to working on this program. I think this will be a great opportunity to all of us who really want to learn about our mother culture. **The Vietnamese circle will be meeting at AAPIRC Mondays from 12–1pm and Tuesdays from 2–3pm.**
Aiman Aamer (Hindi/Urdu):
Hello everyone! We are so excited to be starting the Hindi/Urdu language circle. Our first meeting will be this coming Friday, October 7, from 2-3pm at AAPIRC, Education Building 212. This circle is welcome to anyone who consider the language part of their culture, whether you can speak Hindi/Urdu fluently, or you would like to regain previously lost language skills. Friday will just be an introduction to the group and to what we hope to accomplish through this language circle. Hope to see you then!

Please reach out to aapirc@unm.edu with questions. Sign up here to be added to your facilitator’s mailing list!

Are you an AAPI student interested in filmmaking?

Join the Chinese American Citizen Alliance on **Saturday, October 15th from 9am-5pm** for their 6th Annual Chinese American Film Festival! The ACAFF will be screening movies about the **Chinese American experience**, including Chinatown
Rising, Vincent Who?, and Over the Moon. You can also look forward to a panel discussion with AAPI community leaders, including AAPIRC’s own director, Farah Nousheen, and lunch provided by Panda Express! Email aapirc@unm.edu to arrange tickets.

On Sunday, October 16th at 10am, come to AAPIRC to "pick the brains" of accomplished Chinese American filmmakers. You can read more about the filmmakers below. Breakfast will be provided by Ihatov Bread and Coffee, Einstein Bagel Bros, and Talin Market. This opportunity is open to all students interested in or studying film. Please RSVP here!

Stressed about Midterms? Stretch and Study at AAPIRC
DID YOU DO YOGA THIS WEEK?

Every body is a yoga body. Yoga can be performed with any type of body. The only way to know if practicing yoga can help you physically, mentally, and, in many other ways is to give it a try. Join us @AAPIRC on Mondays from 3:30 – 4:30 for a weekly yoga session.

– Heba Moussa
Yoga and Quiet Time

Mondays at AAPIRC
Yoga: 3:30-4:30pm, Quiet Hours: 3:30-5pm

AAPIRC is excited to be hosting yoga again this semester! We hosted yoga sessions throughout the summer with great turnout. During yoga time, AAPIRC will also be observing quiet time for studying and relaxation.

Yoga is open to everyone! Mats provided.

Spring 2023 Courses

Cultural Diversity and Minority Peoples of the Levant in the 21st Century
Spring 2023: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30-1:45
Classroom: ANTH 178
Instructor: Les Field  
Office: #104 Anthro Patio Email: lesfield@unm.edu  
Office Hours: TBA  
ISI 499, cross-list ANTH 340 (3 credit hours)

After WW I, Great Britain and France created new nation-states carved out of the territories of the Ottoman Empire, in which an astonishing diversity of minority peoples became citizens. The new countries included Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, and Palestine/Israel, and how the identities of these minority peoples was configured politically, economically and culturally also varied considerably from country to country. In these countries, religious identities, often referred to as “sects,” became one of the idioms in which cultural difference was expressed, which also resonated with how ethnicity and race are configured in other parts of the world. In some cases, minority peoples of the region also manifest as ethnic or sub-national groups.

In this survey seminar, we will read about and discuss minorities of Iraq, Palestine/Israel, Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria which include: Druze, Alawites, Shi’a, Yezidis, Mandaeans, Maronite Catholics and Greek Orthodox, Assyrian and Chaldean Christians, Kurds, Palestinians, Bedouins, and others. In our discussions we will also explore how in some of these countries Jews were previously a minority sect.

We will seek to use a number of texts written by Middle Eastern scholars from and about these groups, and engage with the issue of identity in a way that challenges our pre-existing ideas about identity, ideas that stem from life in the United States and reflect our own particular concerns with and interpretations of difference.

Our class will invite local residents of Albuquerque who either identify with one or more of the minority groups we will discuss or have living expertise on these topics. We will also interface with the International Studies Institute speaker series.

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CJ 469–001: Multiculturalism, Gender, and Media  
12:30pm–1:45pm: Mondays and Wednesdays (Face to Face)  
Spring Semester 2023  
Instructor: Shinsuke Eguchi, Ph.D.  
Gender Pronouns: they/them/their and he/him/his  
Office: C&J–233 Email: seguchi@unm.edu  

This course is designed to be an exploration of how gender, race, class, sexual orientation, ethnicity, and other social positions affect media coverage, portrayals, production, and reception. The course focuses on theories, methods of analysis, and topics of current interest.
CJ 519–001: Special Topics in Intercultural Communication
Race and Media
1:50pm–4:20pm: Wednesdays (Face to Face)
Spring Semester 2023
Instructor: Shinsuke Eguchi, Ph.D.
Gender Pronouns: they/them/theirs and he/him/his
Office: C&J–233 Email: seguchi@unm.edu

This cutting–edge graduate seminar takes critical and cultural studies approaches to the politics of race in media. More specifically, we examine how media shape public and cultural discourse about race and racism within and beyond the borders of the United States. In this process, we pay attention to the underlying logics of the ways media do not just represent ongoing histories of race and racism; media produce them. The subjects of representation and underrepresentation—how media practices produce, constitute, manage, stereotype, or silence the politics of race—are the major areas of inquiry. We look into them in a variety of media and popular cultural platforms such as television, drama, sitcoms, film, popular music, print news, magazines, social media, celebrity, influencer, the Hollywood, and more. The full, careful examinations of media influencing the content, tone and tenor of race politics through its intersections with gender, sexuality, coloniality, and class are highly encouraged in this course.

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