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Celebrating Heritage



Isaiah Sandoval, CACE Student Staff Major: Business Accounting Hometown: Albuquerque, NM

Whether we're walking around campus or the city, it is important we have respect for the land around us and acknowledge the original ancestors that were here before us. Native American Heritage Month is a time to recognize and honor the historic background and contributions of Indigenous peoples around the country.

As an indigenous person, a month of celebration brings excitement and gratitude to know that the history of indigenous peoples is being remembered in a positive and desirable light. It is my wish that this celebration will continue beyond just Native American Heritage Month (which is officially recognized in November).

DID U KNOW? October is LBGTQ+, Polish, Italian, and German American Heritage Month. National Coming Out Day (1st), Mid Mid-Autumn Festival (6th), Diwali (20th) to just name a few.

October is also Filipino American History
Month, nationally recognized since 2009, commemorates the first recorded presence of Filipinos in the continental United States in 1587.

Dr. Faye Caronan, Professor of Ethnic Studies, and Associate Dean of Faculty and Staff Affairs in CLAS Major in College: English and Ethnic Studies Hometown: Rowland Heights, CA



In recognition of Filipino American History Month, we are proud to highlight the contributions of Dr. Faye Caronan a leading scholar of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) history and culture within the context of U.S. colonialism. She advises the Ethnic Studies AAPI Studies certificate and serves as faculty advisor for the Pinoy American Student Association, mentoring students in cultural and leadership development. Her teaching and guest lectures enrich campus understanding of history's impact on current events. Dr. Caronan earned her BA in English with concentrations in Asian American Studies and East Asian Studies. She went on to earn her MA and PhD in Ethnic Studies from the University of California San Diego, Outside of work, she enjoys biking and spending time with her three children, frequent visitors to CU Denver's AANAPISI and CACE offices.

Staff Highlights



Adriana Parra Herrera

CACE Student Student Staff Major: Business Entrepreneurship and Marketing

Adriana is actively involved in several organizations, including LSA, FAM, TRIO, ALPFA, and also works at CACE. She played a major role in ensuring the success of the HHM kickoff event. A true advocate for community.

With a passion for entrepreneurship, one of Adriana's long-term goals is to establish a real estate business focused on helping families find their ideal homes.

Her advice to incoming students is to take full advantage of the resources available on campus. She encourages students to get involved early, build meaningful connections, and be open to new experiences.







Estéfani Peña Figueroa

Program Director for STEM and HSI Initiatives Major in College: Healthcare Management

As a first-generation college graduate, Estéfani has overcome significant barriers to achieve her academic goals. Now pursuing her master's degree, she also serves as the Program Director for STEM & HSI Initiatives and supports Reyna with ASSET Resources and TheDream.US

National Scholarship.

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Having navigated her first year of
college on her own, she is
committed to being a resource for
underrepresented students, offering
guidance, resources, and support
for students. Her key advice: give
yourself rest. Taking time to pause,
breathe, and care for your wellbeing is essential to sustained
success.

On her days off, she grounds herself through nature, hiking, meditation, and time with friends and family.



Visit the CACE website for more!

Upcoming Events







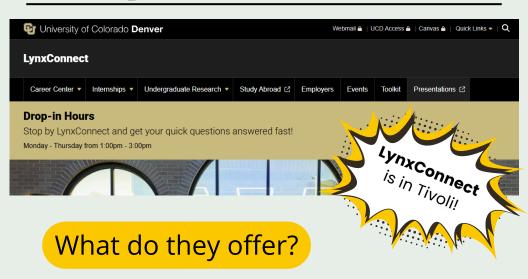
For more information - https://business.ucdenver.edu/mba/one-year-mb





CU Denver students can access the Career Closet in LynxConnect to pick out professional attire for free and to keep—ensuring you're dressed for success!

LynxConnect



- Tons of career support including financial help for unpaid interships!
- Grad school prep
- Study abroad support
- Career Clothes for interviews etc.
- Job searches and prep



See their website

October Event Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fall 2025 Academic Calendar		Internship & Job Fair 10-2pm @ Wellness Center	2 Yom Kippur Eng., Design, and Computing Internship & Job Fair 10- 2pm @ Wellness Center	3 Also Thursday 10/2 Noche Latina 5-9pm @ Tivoli
6 SASE Study Session Ilam in Student Commons Rm 2000	7 Full Moon Mid-Autumn Festival	8	9	10
13	14 Indigenous Peoples' Day	15	16 Know Your Rights Workshop 3-5pm See CACE Calendar for Virtual Link!	17
20 Diwali begins	21	22 New Moon	23 SASE Study Session Ilam in Student Commons Rm 2000	24
27 Investment Basics w/ ENT Credit Union 10-11am via Zoom	28	29	30	31 start of Dia de la Muertos Halloween

IMPORTANT ACADEMIC DATES

October

- Last day to request No Credit or Pass/Fail grade for a Fall class October 26
- Last day to withdraw from a Fall class via UCDAccess October 26
- First day to withdraw from a Fall class with a Late Withdraw Petition form.
 October 27

November

- Registration begins for Spring Semester Mon, Nov 3 Tue, Nov 18
- Fall Break Mon, Nov 24 Sun, Nov 30 (No Classes. Campus Open)
- Thanksgiving Day November 27 (No Classes. Campus Closed)

Scholarships, Internships & Jobs

Fernie Baca Scholarship:

For students in School of Education & Human Development with focus on Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education

Andrea Temple Matray Scholarship:

For students in Elementary Education or Special Education undergrad or grad programs

Internships:

- Wealth Management Internship with Moneta, \$20/hr >>find on Indeed
- Intermountain Electric, Inc.
 6 Internships from
 Accounting to Innovation
 Find on Handshake >>



Academic Resources

SCAN ME!

Brainfuse **24/7** Tutoring



Research!



Learning Commons, Math Drop-In Tutoring Schedule



UC Denver Peer-to-Peer Tutoring for dozens of topics

Education through Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (EURēCA!)

Check out EURECA for:

- Undergrad Assistant iobs
- Grants to support research & academic projects
- Get a summer research fellowship
- Find travel funds & mentors!