



Southeast Asian Student Coalition

Summer Institute 2012

University of California, Berkeley

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The University of California, Berkeley Southeast Asian Student Coalition (SASC) was formed in the year 2000 by an ambitious group of college students who sought to empower the Southeast Asian American community. One of the Coalition's major developments was the formation of the annual Summer Institute. The SASC Summer Institute is a five-day educational program, which takes place in the summer and will last from **Wednesday, June 20 to Sunday, June 24 2012**. The program caters specifically to youth who are tied to the Southeast Asian refugee experience (i.e. Vietnam War, Khmer Rouge, Secret War). Youth of any locality demonstrating strong interest in the program are highly encouraged to apply. *Transportation is not included outside of the Bay Area or Central Valley; however, we will try our best to help find transportation methods and accommodations.*

The SASC Summer Institute's objective is to build a network within the Southeast Asian American communities amongst high school students, college students, parents, and community members to promote greater access to higher education. Those selected will participate in college workshops, dialogues, and other peer-bonding activities, while staying in one of the U.C. Berkeley dormitories or other accommodations.

This is an **all-expense paid** summer program that provides a safe and constructive learning environment. Participants will be matched with a college mentor who can offer guidance specific to a student's needs. This program provides an exciting experience for students who are interested in pursuing higher education as well as exploring their cultural background. SASC Summer Institute is seeking motivated high school students with diverse experiences and backgrounds. Academic performance is not a factor in the acceptance of participants, thus, all are encouraged to apply. **Applications are due (postmarked) by Friday, March 30 at 11:59 P.M.** Applicants will be contacted upon receipt of application and selected attendees will be notified by the **beginning of May**.

High school students of any ethnicity are eligible to apply, however, please be aware that the majority of the workshops will cater to students who relate to the Southeast Asian experience (Southeast Asian include Mien, Hmong, Laotian, Cambodian, and Vietnamese ethnicities).

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Personal Information:

Name (LAST, FIRST): _____

Gender: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Place of birth: _____

If applicable, when did you come to the United States? _____

What generation do you identify as (1st Gen: Born in the home country/refugee camp, 2nd Gen: Born in the US, 3rd Gen: Children of American Born): _____

Ethnic Background: _____

Cell: (____) _____ - _____ Home: (____) _____ - _____

Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Have you applied to be an SI mentee before? YES NO If yes, what year? _____

Have you been a part of SI before? (Example: volunteer) _____

Have you ever been part of any other programs on the U.C. Berkeley Campus? _____

How did you hear about SASC SI? _____

Are you related to anyone that goes to Cal or Cal alumnus? _____

Academic Information:

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

Grade Level: _____

Quick takes: (There are no wrong answers. This is for us to get to know you better.)

- 1) If you could spend a day with any person in the history of the universe, who would it be and why? (The person can be deceased and language is not an issue)[100 word max.]: _____

- 2) Describe yourself in three words: _____

- 3) Greatest invention of all time: _____

- 4) Squirtle, Bulbasaur, or Charmander? _____

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PERSONAL RESPONSES: *This part of the application helps us know more about who you are. Please answer both of the questions honestly and thoroughly. Attach or mail your typed/hand-written response with your application. The page length is a minimum of, but not limited to, 2 pages double-spaced; however, feel free to use as much space as you feel necessary.*

1. **Community Action (MUST BE ANSWERED ESSAY FORMAT)**

What is one issue or problem that you see in your community? By community, we mean the environment, people, and places around you that affect your everyday life (your family, neighborhood, school, etc.). How does this issue or problem affect you? What would you do to fix or alleviate this problem? Why is it important for you to change this problem?

2. **Identity (expression and voice; open-ended)**

Put together a piece that portrays an exploration of you, who you think you are, and how others see you. There are no rules or limitations to grammar, sentence structure, or expression. We encourage you to use your own voice & creativity (examples: poetry, prose, song, drawings, writing etc.), or any other form of artistic expression of your choice. You make the choice. (*Keep in mind that if you decide to do an artistic expression, please include your interpretation of it because we may interpret it differently than you.*)

Please submit APPLICATIONS by Friday, March 30 at 11:59 PM

Preferably, submit by emailing to: sascsioutreach2012@gmail.com

If you do not have access to a computer you can also mail in a physical copy (Must be postmarked by March 30th).

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Have questions? Feel free to contact us!
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