Student Led Conferences

"student led" conferences mean students that attend WSU plan, organize and run the conference. WSU students created and developed each conference to create a unique and empowering program.

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What is Shaping?
Shaping High School Asian Pacific Islanders for the Next Generation (SHAPING) is a leadership conference that encourages junior and senior high school level students of Asian-American/Pacific Islander descent to pursue higher education. This annual event on the Pullman campus intends to foster and address the needs of higher education among the Asian-American/Pacific Islander community while fostering leadership development for current Washington State University Students.

This Years Conference: SHAPING CONFERENCE 2020
OCTOBER 23 & 24, 2020

SHAPING CONFERENCE
@shapingconference
https://shaping.wsu.edu
"I am excited for the new experience this year's CASHE Conference will be like as well as being able to open the conference to more students anywhere in the state of WA and in other states."

-Nancy Barraza, External Affairs CASHE Co-Chair

"Times are tough right now, thus I am excited to virtually meet high school students that are motivated and interested in pursuing higher education and being able to create a safe, welcoming space with resources that they might need."

-Jocelyn Granados, Internal Affairs CASHE Co-Chair
How do you do think this year can benefit the conference overall? (considering it's different from what it normally is)
Due to COVID-19, the conference will take place virtually. Which it allows more students to participate from different places that due to transportation could have not previously attended. Another benefit is that there is no cost to participate in the 24th Annual CASHE Conference. Students can find the registration application

Is there anything that has surprised y'all so far while preparing for the conference?

With this virtual format, it has been difficult to engage our Directors', Team Leader's, and even ourselves. Previously, we had always done icebreakers during the Team Leader Trainings. The most surprising thing has been exploring different tools, websites, programs, to create fun and interactive icebreakers virtually. I facilitated and organized an Immigrant Youth Convening in September, where I was able to become familiar with zoom and different tools like poll everywhere, icebreaker.video, etc. that we have implemented during our meetings to engage our team! Our goal is to give high school students the best virtual CASHE Conference. - Jocelyn Granados

"While preparing for the conference, I was surprised at the lack of engagement from the high school students even though the CASHE Conference is free and open to any high school student in and outside of Washington State" -Alejandra Aguilar
As Co-Chairs of Visionaries Inspiring Black Empowered Students (VIBES) we are here to give a younger generation the opportunity to learn about the long-term benefits of higher education. Every year the Black Student Union at WSU funds VIBES and gives High-School students the opportunity to experience what it is like to be black at a university campus. Students are given information on how to afford college, resources available on campus, and about the registered student organizations that are here too. We also provide the opportunity to hear from outstanding speakers we bring from all walks of life.

While switching to an online conference has been difficult, we are still determined to create a conference that provides a good understanding of what higher education can offer upcoming students. This year’s conference will be held remotely in February 2021 and we are excited to see what is to come.

VIBES 2021 Co-Chairs
Pomy Ayele, Lebeza Alemu, and Shanelle Brown

We would also like to add that our VIBES Director Applications are still open! If anyone is interested in taking part to make this year VIBES amazing, visit our Instagram and learn more about how to apply.
Greetings from Native American Programs!

We just celebrated our third annual Indigenous People's Day on October 12th. Our program brought in Native American speakers to help honor and acknowledge the achievements and resilience of Indigenous people. As we look towards November, we will be celebrating Native American Heritage Month. Notable events include beading nights, activism workshops, notable speakers, and opportunities to get involved within our community. We welcome everyone who is interested to join us! Follow us on Instagram at wsunativeprograms or Facebook at wsu.nativecenter for our most up to date information.

If you are planning to attend WSU and identify as Native American, we want you to know our Native American Program staff is here to welcome and support you throughout your educational journey. We offer support and services in financial aid, scholarships, application process, or just answering any questions you may have. We also have a Native American Student Center where you can relax, hang out, and meet other students.

If you decide to attend WSU, we have many leadership opportunities for you to get involved as you make WSU you home away from home. Think about applying to our Tribal Nation Building Leadership Program! https://native.wsu.edu/leadership-program/ Join one of our many student organization! https://native.wsu.edu/student-orgs/

As you are weighting your options, feels free to reach out to our office and we will assist you. We unfortunately are not doing in-person tours at this time, but our staff is more than happy to provide an overview of our services via Zoom. You can check out our webpage at https://native.wsu.edu/prospective-students/ to learn more and contact us!
Native American Student Center

Events:

XI CHAPTER OF APO + THE COALITION FOR WOMEN STUDENTS PARTNERED WITH THE RIVKIN CENTER PRESENTS

**DO WHAT MATTERS NOW!**

Be proactive on your health by detecting breast and ovarian cancer early with a Rivkin Center Ambassador

**Thursday 10/22 / 5-5:45 PM PST**

**Zoom Link:** 895 9635 6412

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