

THE AANAPISI JOURNEY (2000 - 2009)

2000

AAPIs and Educational Need
The Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC) hosts a forum to discuss AAPIs and their educational needs, where early public conversations regarding the establishment of an AANHPI Serving Institution were discussed.

2001

AAPAPI Higher Education Summit
SEARAC and CAPAC host a summit on AAPAPI issues in higher education, which included discussions on created a MSI designation for AAPAPI students.

2001

WHIAPPI Report
The White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (WHIAAPI) issues a policy report with recommendations for the creation of a federal designation for an AAPAPI Serving Institution.

2002

Federal designation
U.S.Congress member Robert Underwood (D-Guam) introduces H.R. 4825 to create an AAPAPI serving institution designation to be housed in the U.S. Department of Education, along with other MSIs.

2007-2008

Congress establishes the AANAPISI program
The program is 1 of 11 federally designated Minority Serving Institution (MSI) programs, as part of the College Cost Reduction and Access Act. The Higher Education Opportunity Act expands the AANAPISI program.

2009

AANAPISIs secure additional funding
U.S. Congress member Mike Honda (D-CA), as a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee, secures \$2.5 million through the Fiscal-Year 2009 Omnibus Bill to provide additional funding to AANAPISIs.



THE AANAPISI JOURNEY (2011- 2017)

2011-2019

Annual AANAPISI Capacity Building Workshop | APIA Scholars hosts AANAPISI Capacity Building Workshops at its annual Higher Education Summit.

2017

AANAPISI Week is established
Representative Judy Chu (CA - 27) introduces the first Congressional Resolution to observe the 10th anniversary of the AANAPISI designation through an annual “AANAPISI Week.”

2019

APIA Scholars publishes Exploring the impact of AANAPISI Grant-Funded Programs on Student Experiences and Outcomes
A Report on UNLV and NHPIs in Higher Education.

2011-2012

AANAPISI Director meeting
US Dept of Ed hosts an annual AANAPISI Director meeting in Washington DC.

2013

Partnership for Equity in Education Through Research (PEER) publishes Findings from the First Year of Research on AANAPISIs.

2014

PEER publishes Measuring the Impact of MSI-Funded Programs on Student Success
Findings from the Evaluation of AANAPISIs.

APAHE hosts an annual AANAPISI pre-conference meeting.

THE AANAPISI JOURNEY (2020 - PRESENT)

2000

AANAPISI Community Forum (ACF) convenes
APAHE conference is canceled in person, due to COVID; as a result, AANAPISI Community Forum (ACF) forms and hosts first virtual meeting. ACF continues to host monthly virtual convenings on AANAPISI best practices, programmatic information, technical assistance.

AANAPISIs in the Rural Pacific

APIA Scholars publishes Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders in Higher Education: A Rural Pacific Learning Tour.

AANAPISI Policy Brief

NCAPA and Dr. Mike Hoa Nguyen (University of Denver) publish Strengthening AANAPISIs through Policy and Practice.

2021 AND ONWARD

AANAPISI Program Invites New Applications

New federal opportunities are announced for expanding AANAPISI impact on APIA student success.

AANAPISI Research and Capacity Building Initiative

APIA Scholars partners with AANAPISI stakeholders to launch research focusing on past and current AANAPISI grantees.

NHPI initiative

APIA Scholars launches research and capacity building initiative with Dr. Rob Teranishi (UCLA) to engage 8 eligible AANAPISIs in collaborative action research to increase NHPI success outcomes in the Continental U.S., Hawai'i, and U.S. affiliated Pacific Islands.

AANAPISI Community Requests Increased Funding During Federal Budget Reconciliation

APIA Scholars and partners send a letter to policymakers advocating for an increase in annual funding to enable more institutions to better serve AANHPI students.