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Media Alert

<u>Find a Sense of Personal Belonging at CSUN with</u> <u>Cultural Welcomes from the University Student Union</u>

WHAT:	The University Student Union (USU) invites CSUN students to <i>Cultural Welcomes</i> , an opportunity to connect with their cultural communities on campus! Students will meet their peers of similar cultures while enjoying fun activities and learning about other cultural spaces on-campus through various clubs. We want every student's journey at CSUN to be guided with loving support and a personal community here on campus.
WHO:	Janessa Reyes, Diversity Initiatives Supervisor, Diversity and Inclusion, is supervising these events.
WHEN:	Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Welcome: Wednesday, Feb. 8 (4-6 p.m.) American Indian Welcome: Thursday, Feb. 23 (4 – 6 p.m.) Latinx/a/o/e Welcome: Thursday, Feb. 16 (3–6 p.m.) Welcome Black: Tuesday, Feb. 7 (4-6 p.m.)
WHERE:	APIDA Welcome: Northridge Center/West Valley American Indian Welcome: Grand Salon/ South Patio Latinx/a/o/e Welcome: Grand Salon/ South Patio Welcome Black: Northridge Center/West Valley
WHY:	Attendees at these specific cultural events will have access to a supportive network with students, faculty, and staff and discover resources offered in every community. It is essential for CSUN to provide a place to share similar experiences and converse about their unique culture.
BACKGROUND:	The USU is excited for Matadors to meet new people and discover campus organizations that align within their cultural communities during <i>Cultural Welcomes</i> . Students must register on the USU online calendar. Attendees may also request interpretation for this event by filling out the <u>interpreting services</u> request form five days prior to the event. For more information, please visit <u>csun.edu/usu</u> .

The University Student Union (USU) is committed to inclusion, diversity and personal growth for all students while providing services such as study areas, lounge spaces, prayer room, lactation room and wireless printing kiosks in addition to a variety of food options and a wide range of events. The USU includes the Student Recreation Center, Oasis Wellness Center, Pride Center, Veterans Resource Center, DREAM Center, USU Board of Directors, Computer Lab, Games Room, USU Programs and more. For

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