
Funded Tritons Belong Grants 2024-2025 AY

PROJECT: UC SAN DIEGO RELIGIOUS IDENTITY MATTERS

PI: Matthew T. Herbst, Professor, Director of the Making of the Modern World program

PI: Amelia Glaser, Endowed Chair, Judaic Studies; Professor, Literature

PI: Babak Rahimi, Associate Professor of Communication, Culture and Religion: Literature

PI: Edmond Chang, Senior Lecturer, Making of the Modern World program

“Religious Identity Matters” dinners and dialogues will bring together student organizations of different faith traditions to “break bread” and discuss the experience of people of faith at UC San Diego. This project affirms the value of religious identity within the Triton identity on our campus. This project promotes bridge building between student organizations and their traditions, fostering community across confessional lines, and fostering a broader “Tritons of Faith” community.

PROJECT: NAVIGATING DIALOGUES - SOUTHWEST ASIA AND NORTH AFRICA (SWANA)

PI: Michael Provence, Professor, History

PI: Amanda Batarseh, Assistant Professor, Literature

This project supports workshops and events co-sponsored equally by the History Department and the Arab American Staff and Faculty Association at UC San Diego. These workshops and events will discuss experiences of teaching about the SWANA region and how they foster generative dialogue and trust in the classroom.

PROJECT: NON-VIOLENT COMPASSIONATE COMMUNICATION WORKSHOP SERIES

PI: Tamara T. Cunningham, Assistant Vice Chancellor—Global Initiatives

PI: Lisa Swid, Manager of Student Services, International Services & Engagement Office, Global Initiatives

This project implements an in-person, 8-week workshop series for students to learn the tools of Non-Violent Compassionate Communication. This project provides participants with tangible benefits and tools to employ throughout the rest of their lives. This project creates opportunities for participants to: share space with those who have different political views and/or cultural, religious identities; recognize our shared humanity; learn to establish connection to self and others through empathic listening; move beyond power struggles to cooperation and trust; build a strong and supportive community of peers; access additional resources.