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EDUCATION

San Francisco State University, College of Ethnic Studies, San Francisco, CA
2026 M.A., Asian American Studies

Chapman University, Donna Ford Attallah School of Educational Studies, Orange, CA
2024 B.A., Integrated Educational Studies, Honors and Sociology Minors
Magna Cum Laude, Presidential Merit Scholarship, Provost's List

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Filipino/a/x Studies, Critical Race Theory (specifically AsianCrit and FilCrit), First-Generation College Student Populations, Family Engagement Practices, Post-secondary Access and Success

SELECTED CURRENT PROJECTS

Exploring the (UN)Well-Being of Pin[a/x]ys in Higher Education Critical and Analytical Autoethnography of a Filipina American College Student: This qualitative interview study exploring how and why Pin[a/x]ys have high rates of suicidal ideations and attempts in higher education spaces.

Exploring Asian American Neurodiversity: The present study aims to explore the impacts of the model minority myth in Autism Spectrum Disorder diagnosis and what Asian American neurodiversity can look like.

PUBLICATIONS

2025 **Dayrit, M.** & Cuevas, S. *"Because I built that trust:" College access professionals utilizing funds of knowledge to support the families of prospective first-generation college students.* Manuscript accepted for publication in *The Harvard Educational Review*.

Dayrit, M. (In Progress). A critical and analytical autoethnography of a Filipina American college student. Preparing for submission to *TBD*.

Dayrit, M. (In Progress). Filipino/a/x Americans navigating predominantly white campus climates. Preparing for submission to the *TBD*.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2024 Attallah College Overall Outstanding Graduate

2023 1st Place: Kevin and Tam Ross Undergraduate Research Prize

2022 – 2024 Provost List

2021 – 2024 Chapman University Presidential Merit Scholarship

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2024 Undergraduate Student Education Research Training Fellowship, American

Educational Research Association (AERA)

- 2024 Undergraduate Conference Travel Grant for APAHE/NCUR/AERA, Chapman University
- 2023 Undergraduate Conference Travel Grant for ASHE, Chapman University
- 2023 Undergraduate Conference Travel Grant for AERA, Chapman University
- 2023 Spring Undergraduate Student Scholarly/Creative Grant, Chapman University

NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (*Forthcoming in italics*)

- Apr 2025 **Dayrit, M.** & Meindl, N. Exploring Asian American Neurodiversity: The impacts of the model minority myth in ASD diagnosis. Paper session. AAAS Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
- Apr 2024 Dayrit, M. Filipino/a/x Americans navigating predominantly white campus climates. Poster presentation. NCUR, Long Beach, CA.
- Apr 2024 Dayrit, M. Filipino/a/x American Ethnic Identity and Sense of Belonging in College. Poster presentation. APAHE Annual Meeting, Oakland, CA.
- Nov 2023 Dayrit, M. Filipino/a/x Americans navigating predominantly white campus climates. Work in progress session. ASHE Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.
- Apr 2023 Dayrit, M. Understanding how college access professionals work with the families of prospective first-generation college students. Paper presentation. AERA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

INVITED TALKS (*Forthcoming in italics*)

- Apr 2025 **Dayrit, M.** & Meindl, N. Exploring Asian American Neurodiversity: The impacts of the model minority myth in ASD diagnosis. Talk presentation. RAND, Santa Monica, CA.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS (*Forthcoming in italics*)

- May 2024 Dayrit, M. A critical and analytical autoethnography of a Filipina American college student. Oral presentation. Attallah College Senior Capstone: Dean's Session, Orange, CA.
- Nov 2023 Dayrit, M. Filipino/a/x Americans navigating predominantly white campus climates. Oral presentation. CUE Fall Student Scholar Symposium, Orange, CA.
- Apr 2023 Dayrit, M. Understanding how college access professionals work with the families of prospective first-generation college students. Oral presentation. CUE Spring Student Scholar Symposium, Orange, CA.

- Apr 2023 Dayrit, M. Understanding the Filipino/a/x American experience in higher education. Oral presentation. CUE Spring Student Scholar Symposium, Orange, CA.
- Apr 2023 Dayrit, M. Understanding how racism impacts pornography: A comparison of two case studies. Poster presentation. CUE Spring Student Scholar Symposium, Orange, CA.
- Nov 2022 Dayrit, M. Avoiding shame: Filipino American's motivations for higher education. Oral presentation. CUE Fall Student Scholar Symposium, Orange, CA.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2023 – 2024 Lead Community Engagement Assistant, Rinker Campus Center, Chapman University
- 2021 – 2022 Student Assistant, Promising Futures Program, Chapman University

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2024 Lead Undergraduate Student Researcher, Attallah College of Educational Studies
- 2023 Undergraduate Intern, Bulosan Center for Filipino Studies, UC Davis
- 2022 Conference Development Experience/Educational Collaborative Intern, Ethnic Studies Summit and Educational Collaborative at Centennial Park, Chapman University

SERVICE AND MENTORSHIP

- 2023 – 2024 SteppingUP Advisor, Santa Ana, SteppingUP by Orange County Community Housing Corporation
- 2022 – 2024 Member, Dean's Dozen, Attallah College of Educational Studies
- 2023 Wraparound Tutor, Santa Ana, OC Children's Therapeutic Arts Center
- 2021 – 2022 Member, Provost Student Advisory Board, Chapman University
- 2022 Volunteer, Anaheim, Higher Ground Youth & Family Services
- 2021 Tutor, Remote, Alumni Tutoring of San Diego
- 2021 Tutor/Mentor, Remote, Student Sphere