



UC San Diego Chancellor's Scholars Program

Professor Mel Green Peer Mentoring Award Award Recipient - 2021



Dephny Duan
2019 Cohort
Roosevelt College
Major: International Studies - Political Science
Minors: Asian American & Pacific Islander Studies
Human Rights & Migration Studies

Dephny Duan describes herself as being “passionate about the politics of multiculturalism with regards to their intersections with identity development as well as the preservation and uplifting of minoritized groups, languages, and cultures.” She is fascinated by those of diasporic movements and of transnational identities. Beyond the classroom, she brings her passions into community spaces dedicated to social justice, coalition building, and community care. She previously served as 2020-2021 Media Chair for the UCSD Chancellor's Scholars Alliance. She will serve as the 2021-2022 Chair for the UCSD Asian and Pacific Islander Student Alliance, and as Community Assistant for the Asian Pacific Islander Middle Eastern Desi America (APIMEDA) Programs and Services.

Dephny's mentees shared the following about their mentoring relationship:

“I can't think of anything Deph could do better because she is literally the best peer mentor.. She has been so helpful and supportive. Among other things, Deph helped me get involved with Associated Students, helped me schedule my classes, gave me good advice on an assignment, and covered for me when I couldn't make it to meetings. Outside of the Peer Mentor program we would absolutely still be friends because she's the best person ever.”

“Dephny was a super helpful resource this quarter. She was SUPER knowledgeable and was super kind... She was very helpful when it came to me deciding which classes I should take...[and] helped me figure out a balanced schedule.”