

## Proposal for Ethnic Studies Conference 2017

The National Association for Ethnic Studies is holding a conference at San Francisco State University in March 23-25 2017. This year the Vice President for Diversity and Academic Affairs would like to attend and take a delegation of 12 students. We are planning on driving there and we would need to cover registration, board and room and also gas and the rental of two cars. In addition to attendance, we are working with the Education and Social Justice minor to have a panel or workshop around the work of social justice at WWU. The theme of this year is "The Promise of Ethnic Studies: On Healing, home, and the Radical Power of Solidarity."

"The objective of this organization was to serve as a forum for promoting research, study, curriculum design, and publication of interest to its members. The Association sponsored its first conference on ethnic and minority studies in 1973 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. At the conference, university and college professors, public school teachers, and students gathered to examine content and approaches to multicultural studies. Today, NAES members continue to examine the interlocking forces of domination that are rooted in socially constructed categories of gender, sexuality, class, and race, and are committed to challenging paradigms that systematically marginalize the experiences of diverse national and international populations. As scholars and researchers, NAES members are also committed to nurturing civic-minded and culturally informed students to strive to strengthen their communities."

We believe that in attending this conference we can bring back knowledge on how to create more inclusive curriculum design and also as we start working on a new multicultural center, services that can be included within that center. Struggles are not alienated with each other and by going conference we would be bridging knowledge from our campus to other places. As well as opening a space for students here at Western to engage on future collaborations with people from across the country in any capacity doing the same work.

Attached to this it's a rough budget of the costs

**Budget**

**\$1, 020 Registration**

**Room and food**

**\$ 1,500**

**\$ 1000**

**Car Rental**

**\$850**

**Gas**

**\$300**

**Total**

**\$ 4, 670**

**Aleyda Cervantes**

**\$500**

**Erick Yanzon**

**\$500**

**Per Person \$389**

**AS Board \$3670**

**Operating Enhancement**