



TPP Newsletter 10/18-10/22

## Weekly Spotlight



[California Assembly Bill No. 101](#) has passed! The bill will add one semester of ethnic studies to California's public high school graduation requirements.

The law will teach high schoolers about the [struggles and contributions](#) of marginalized ethnic groups, which have often been ignored in mainstream curriculum. In his signing message, Governor Gavin Newsom emphasized that

“students deserve to see themselves in their studies, and they must understand our nation's full history if we expect them to one day build a more just society.” The bill represents a huge win for the students of California's highly diverse public school system.

[California's College for All Coalition](#) is a California-based, community-led coalition of 70+ student, parent, education, labor, faith, & civil rights orgs who promote social justice in public higher education. We'd like to highlight their incredible organizing work that helped pass this bill. Check out College for All's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for more information.

Interested in learning more? Watch the [recording](#) of the College for All Organizing panel put on by The People's Pitzer on October 13th featuring Pitzer Emeritus Professor Jose Calderon, Pitzer Latin@ Studies & Sociology senior Melanie Andreo, Pasadena Unified School District Director of Pupil Resources Cesar Casarrubias, Pomona Education Coalition member Fabian Nunez, and Chaffey High School Social Science Teacher Oscar Segovia.

## Volunteers Needed

Every year, Pitzer works with Project Pericles to promote civic engagement within higher education through a letter-writing project: [Debating for Democracy](#) (D4D). D4D is an annual competition where students research, develop, and advocate their opinions and positions on current public policy issues. Students will produce a co-written, two page letter to an elected official advocating for a legislative response to a current issue. The primary goal of D4D is to inspire and encourage all participants to become successful and resourceful advocates in their community. Out of the thirty Periclean institutions, five winning teams will be selected to receive \$500 towards mobilizing on their issue back at their home college the following year. Interested in participating? Learn more in the official Request for Proposals (RFP) [here](#) or reach out to [aneuburg@students.pitzer.edu](mailto:aneuburg@students.pitzer.edu).

## October Events



**DIRECT ACTION @PITZER**

THE PEOPLE'S PITZER

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

### KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

WHEN: 10/28 @5:30PM  
WHERE: ZOOM

Join the CEC and National Lawyer's Guild of LA for a training on legal rights for protest and other potential encounters with law enforcement.

**SIGN UP**



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### October 28 @ 5:30 pm: National Lawyers Guild Know Your Rights

Virtual Event - [Register here](#)

Join the CEC and National Lawyers Guild of Los Angeles for a training on legal rights for protest and other potential encounters with law enforcement. For more information, contact [immediate\\_action@pitzer.edu](mailto:immediate_action@pitzer.edu).

## Save the Date

**THE PEOPLE'S PITZER**  
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

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Join us to learn about advocating for Transgender and Gender nonconforming and Intersex (TGI) Latin@ immigrants in the United States through policy making.

**WHEN:** Thurs. November 9th, 2021  
6:00-7:30 PM

**WHERE:** Zoom

**Joana Chai-Chang Azterbaum**  
PZ '19  
*Former Policy Associate at Trans Latin@ Coalition*

**Nancy Williams**  
*Keck Science Professor and Chair of the Trans Awareness Planning and Support committee (TAPAS) at Pitzer College*

Join TPP, Joana Chai-Chang Azterbaum, and Nancy Williams for a discussion on trans policy and rights at the institutional level, at the state level in California, and beyond.

**Sign up:**



For more information, email [CEC\\_staff@pitzer.edu](mailto:CEC_staff@pitzer.edu)

**Tuesday, November 9 @ 6-7:30 pm:  
Trans Policy and Rights with Joanna  
Atzerbaum-Chang**

Virtual Event

Join PZ alum Joanna Atzerbaum-Chang for a discussion on trans policy and rights in California.

## Connect with Us

Want to hear more from The People's Pitzer? Join our email list [here](#). Want to get involved in the Community Engagement Center in other ways? Fill out our volunteer interest form [here](#).

Follow our [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) (@ThePeoplesPitzer) for updates, and be sure to check out our [website](#) to see all our resources. Keep an eye out for future newsletters as well!

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