Eligible AANAPISls must meet several criteria as outlined in Section 312(b) of the Higher Education Act, which include: 1) Undergraduate enrollment is at least 10 percent APIA students, 2) Enrollment of at least 50 percent of students with low-economic background, and 3) institutions maintain low average of educational and general expenditures.

Out of 200 Eligible AANAPISI Institutions, only 39 (20%) are current AANAPISI Grantees

As AANAPISls continue to be the least funded MSI designation, underrepresented AA&NHPIs remain one of the most underserved college student populations in the United States and U.S. Affiliated Pacific Islands.*

"AANAPISls provided me with a community by supporting programs such as the Full Circle Project which not only helped me embraced my Asian American identity, but also shaped me into a confident leader and student that I am today."

- Jomari Fernandez

California State University, Sacramento

*This figure is presented not to promote competition or invalidate necessary funding among MSIs. Rather, it is intended to demonstrate the limited funding AANAPISIs have and continue to receive. It is critical to note, any increase in AANAPISI funding should not come at the expense of other MSIs' current or potential federal financial support.


***Includes past & current grantees and all eligible past and current AANAPISls