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Notably, there is a great percentage of Asian ethnicity students studying at UCSD resulting in the ethnicity being a majority at the university. According to the statistic from the website www.studentresearch.edu there was 46% of Asian students who studied at UCSD in 2015. Due to the Asian Ethnicity being considered a majority at UCSD, many overlooked that the ethnicity is part of a minority group which minimizes the role and impact of the Asian community to the UCSD community and in the United States according to chapter four of Angela Kong's writing, "Re-Examining Diversity Policy at UCSD."

In chapter four of Angela Kong's writing called, "Re-Examining Diversity Policy at UCSD," a focus that she talked about is acknowledging that the Asian community is not recognized as part of minority group because of a vast amount of population of the Asian community at UCSD. Other minority group such as the Latino/Hispanic ethnicity at UCSD and African-American ethnicity were more centered as minority groups; due to this, many do not comprehend that the Asian community faces the same struggles the Latino/Hispanic and African American groups.

After reading Angela Kong's writing, I was surprised with Kong's claim and was able to experienced it at a petition that occurred after Donald Trump was elected as president. In context, there are many voters who reject him based on his views on immigration reform and border patrol which many think specifically focus on the Latino/Hispanic community. However, there are undocumented immigrants from other ethnicity such as the Asian ethnicity. This event made me to reflect upon Kong's writing that the Asian community is overlooked in the UCSD climate which contradicts the equality that UCSD is trying to have for all their students.

In reality, due to many not considering the Asian community as a minority group, it prevents others acknowledging and resolving the oppression put upon minority groups. UCSD needs to recognize the Asian minority group in order resolve the issue so that we can fight for equality for all minority races that are being oppressed upon by power dynamic majority groups. By doing so, UCSD could provide

more resources and support to all minority groups in order to form a more socially and racially equal community.

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Kong, Angela Wai-Yin. (2014). Re-examining Diversity Policy at University of California, San Diego: The Racial Politics of Asian Americans. UC San Diego: Ethnic Studies. "Teaching Undergraduates." (2001): n. pag. 2015. Web.