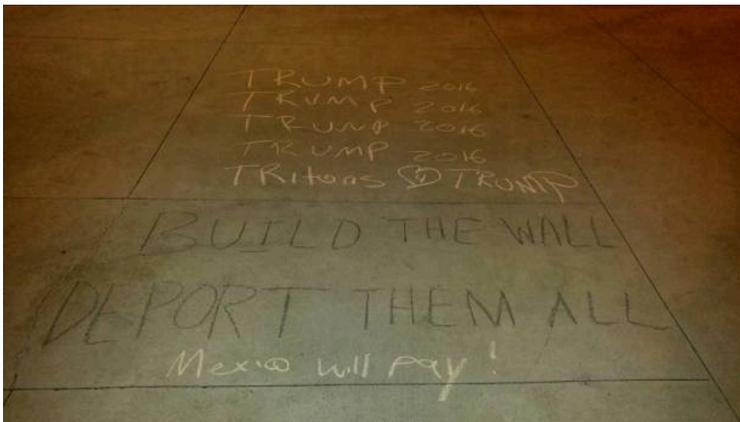


Simple experience in UCSD

My Experience in UCSD



This picture is taken by myself in the first day of my CAT 1 class. When I looked around the class room, my first reaction was that people here were more diverse than my classes in my high school.



This picture is taken from the online article “Anti-Mexican Graffiti at UC San Diego: Towards a Structural Analysis and Solution” (citation below). This graffiti targeted and attacked a specific racial group.

From what I’ve experienced in the campus so far, in a broad scale, I don’t agree with the analysis made in the text, but occasionally there will be some incidents happening that can be used as supportive evidence for Kong’s analysis. Overall, I think the university, including both the staff and the students, had put effort in keeping the campus racially diverse.

In terms of students, they've made successful effort in promoting and celebrating the diversity in the campus. In the campus, I could always see student organizations of different races sponsored various kind of activities. The most memorable one, for me, was when a Chinese religious organization began a protest on the Library Walk. I was surprised and shocked because I've seen that kind of organization doing similar thing in Taiwan, and I thought I could only see them in my home country. However, what I saw in the campus proved me wrong; it proved that the campus allowed students, of any color, to express their opinions and voices.

However, the staffs might have put some efforts, but they were not so effective from what I've seen and heard. Based on my understanding, the school administrators did not give satisfying response when events such as Compton Cookout or the graffiti at the Raza Resource Center occurred. However, the author mentioned the many history class did not include information on Asian American. This was disapproved by the fact that the CAT course, at least the one I'm taking, provided perspective of different races, even including Asian Americans. Therefore, I had mixed opinion on how the staff handled this issue.

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