## **Aspire to Inspire** 2023 MANRRS REGION VI CLUSTER

November 10th - November 11th - Las Vegas, NV

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We had a Mariachi kickoff the Opening Welcome Session and a great keynote speaker, Elias Quinonez from Colorado State University speak on the importance of a nurturing environment that fosters a culture of belonging.

Participants were able to connect in the Networking Reception and ended the night with "Around the World" student social event.

Rollins



" I decided to study agriculture because of my passion for international development, and being able to talk at length with people who are doing exactly that as foreign service officers was incredibly useful." ~ Jaiden Sakamoto



Jaiden Sakamoto 1st Place **Interview Contest** 



Guadalupe Licona 3rd place Interview Contest.



Xavier Tacker & Uriel Carillo



Clarisa Caballero-Ignacio, the MANRRS Chapter Advisor was invited to participate in a panel on Chapter Best Practices Workshop.

"It was very inspiring to hear the different speakers and their background stories showcasing resilience and perseverance." ~Sofia Vazquez-Fernandez

Attendees:

15 undergraduates + 1 graduate student 1. Daniel Gonzalez 2. Demetrius Payton-Rivas 3. Fatima Flores 4. Felice Yarbough 5. Froilan Camacho 6. Guadalupe Licona 7. Itzel Delgado Lopez 8. Jaiden Sakamoto 9. Maria Hindi 10. Quetza Juarez 11. Sofia Vazquez 12. Uriel Carrillo 13. Valeria Coronado 14. Venecia Rollins 15. Victoria Flores Parra 16. Xavier Tacker



The morning consisted of a Breakfast Business Meeting where we had Xavier Tacker, our Parliamentarian officer and Uriel Carrillo, 2023 Junior MANRRS Summer Leadership Institute mentor represent the OSU MANRRS Chapter and shared the chapter's professional workshops, activities, and events from this year.

Students were able to participate in leadership, development, career readiness, and industry insights workshops including:

- Becoming a National Leader: Mastering Leadership Competencies
- Excellence Unleashed: Chapter Best Practices
- Branding You Rountable:
  - Resumes and Cover
  - Personal Image and Executive Presence
- Regenerative Agriculture: Cultivating Sustainability and Biodiversity for a Greener Future
- Diversity in STEM: Empowering Change for a Sustainable Future.

## "We had eight first-time attendees who were initiated into the National organization and participated in the new member pinning."

Maurice Cottman, from Washington State University was our keynote speaker who spoke about his personal story and inspired many from his resilience and perseverance journey. Students were also able to connect with agencies and companies in the agriculture field during the the opportunity fair including Land O' Lakes, John Deere, Pilgrim's, BASF, U.S Forest Service, USDA-NRCS, Peace Corps, Valent, Nationwide, USAID, and Horizon Farm Credit.



Itzel Delgado Lopez 2nd Place Elevator Pitch Contest



Felice Yarbough 1st Place Graduate Interview Contest and Cluster Award Recipient Many of our members participated in contests including:

- Elevator Pitch
- Interview
- Mock Interviews
- Impromptu