



## UCSD

In my experience here on campus, it appears that the campus has a lot of work that still needs to be done in relation to racial problems. However, comparing the campus today to the horrific nature of the campus six years ago, there is potential for it to become a more respectable and accepting campus. There are still many groups, including the Asian American community, that still need more representation and a safe space on campus. The school manages to only address major racial issues if that group is violently targeted on campus. From what I have seen so far on campus, different organizations are willing to help one another to ensure they are comfortable and secure on campus.

Kong focuses on the fact that UCSD's campus is primarily made up of minority groups as opposed to the original intention of making the school majority white. However, she points out that despite the fact that students of color make up more than half of the campus population, many students feel that they are victimized due to their race. I never thought the University as being very diverse because as I look around campus, I see majority Asian American and international students. I assumed that they would feel very welcome on campus due to the large population of them. It is interesting to now see that despite the apparent diversity, students are still managed to be insulted because of their race.

In essence, Kong highlights the idea that all students come to college with the hope of having fun while gaining a quality education. Yet, many still need to be educated about the different cultures and religions. Racism has becoming a more widespread issue due to the misconceptions that the media has been conveying. The importance of educating about races and cultures needs to be communicated to many students because the prominent propaganda the media creates about a certain race. UCSD is diverse to some extent, but needs to make the effort to reach out to all students of color who are known to be targets on campus before they are targeted in crimes. The community of the University is slowly being created, but due to separatism between students of color and the rest of the school population, there is still some work that needs to be done.

#### Works Cited

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