About AASSP

The Asian American Student Success Program (AASSP) is an academic support office. Its purpose is to help Asian American students gain admission to UMass Boston and to make sure they succeed academically, personally, and socially while they are here. Come see us for answers to any questions you may have during your time at the university. Feel free to seek our assistance whenever you need it; there is nothing to join or sign up for.

As part of the university’s Academic Support Services, AASSP collaborates with a number of other offices to make you aware of resources and services that will help you successfully navigate the college system. For example, we work closely with UMass Boston’s nationally recognized Asian American Studies Program and Institute for Asian American Studies to bring you news of events and support services that will help you get through college while connecting you to the histories and current stories from national and local Asian American communities.
How We Can Help You

- Assist you in getting answers to questions regarding financial aid, class registration, major requirements, etc.
- Provide tutoring to help with individual writing assignments and boost your critical reading and writing skills
- Connect you with a peer mentor who can help you learn the ins and outs of the university
- Provide one-on-one academic coaching to help you succeed in your courses
- Support you through a job search and provide career-development services, including our Asian American Career Development Workshop Series
- Provide multilingual college application and informational materials
- Connect you to student organizations and other on-campus leadership opportunities
- Provide information about scholarships and similar opportunities
- Help you meet other students through community-building events each semester
The Asian American Student Success Program (AASSP) at UMass Boston is made possible through a five-year Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI) grant from the U.S. Department of Education. To qualify for designation as an AANAPISI, an institution’s enrollment of undergraduate students must be at least 10 percent Asian American or Native American Pacific Islander, and at least 50 percent of the student body must be eligible for federal need-based financial assistance, such as Pell Grants and Federal Work-Study.

In August 2015, UMass Boston was awarded a second five-year cycle of AANAPISI funding by the U.S. Department of Education. AANAPISI funding helps participating institutions strengthen retention and persistence services, bolster recruitment programs, and expand staff and resources to help currently underserved students. The university is the only qualified institution in New England that has been awarded the grant.

The University of Massachusetts Boston is recognized as a Minority Serving Institution (MSI) through its designation as an Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI) funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

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