Fall 2014 — Asian American Studies at UMass Boston (1 Apr 2014 draft)

**AsAmSt 200  Introduction to Asian American Studies**  
Dr. Loan Dao  
Class # 5576  
TuTh 4:00-5:15pm  
W-2-198  
This course connects students with the interdisciplinary approaches and resources of Asian American Studies at UMass Boston through focused explorations of relevant issues, themes, and activities on campus and within local community contexts.

**AsAmSt 220  Special Topics in Asian American Studies : Chinese Diasporic Pop Culture**  
Dr. Shirley Tang  
Class # 5717  
MW 4:00-5:15pm  
W-2-198  
This course examines the ways in which people in the U.S. enjoy, experience, and use Chinese pop culture. Drawing on a wide range of popular cultural forms (film, television, music, romance, etc) in different Chinese communities including mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and the U.S., it addresses topics such as love, work, friendship, family, gender, cultural authenticity, nation, community, and home, in relation to contemporary contexts of immigration and diaspora.

**AsAmSt/AmSt/Sociol 223L  Asians in the U.S.**  
Dr. Peter Kiang  
Class # 4321  
MWF 12:00-12:50pm  
M-1-614  
This multi-disciplinary course examines the social, historical, and structural contexts defining the historical experiences of Asians in the US. Topics include migration, labor, race relations, stereotypes, international politics, and local communities.

**AsAmSt/PolSci 265L  World War II Internment of Japanese Americans**  
Dr. Paul Watanabe  
Class # 53109  
TuTh 11:00am-12:15pm  
W-1-034  
The U.S. Government in 1942 commenced the internment of 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry. This course considers political, economic, legal, sociological and historical matters in this chapter in American life, including early Japanese immigration, the battle for reparations, and the current status of Japanese and Asian Americans.

**AsAmSt 270  Cambodian American Culture and Community**  
Dr. Shirley Tang  
Class # 5577  
MWF 1:00-1:50pm  
W-1-053  
This course explores significant themes from the cultural and historical past and present of Khmer/Cambodian Americans, including their cross-generational realities as refugees, immigrants, and racial minorities, their development of communities in the US, and their continuing diasporic relationships to Cambodia. Local examples from Lynn, Revere, & Lowell are highlighted.

**AsAmSt 294  Resources for Vietnamese American Studies**  
Dr. Loan Dao  
Section 1 # 5578  
TuTh 12:30-1:45 pm  
W-1-034  
This course connects students to theories, methods, resources, and voices related to the migrations and reconstructions of identity, culture, and community for Vietnamese in the U.S. and their diasporic relationships to Viet Nam. The course includes presentations by local Vietnamese American researchers, writers, and community leaders.

**AsAmSt/Sociol 423L  Boston’s Asian American Communities**  
Dr. Peter Kiang  
Section 1 # 5579  
MWF 2:00-2:50pm  
S-2-064  
This capstone course examines the complex dynamics of Asian American community development based on historical examples, research and policy reports, case-studies, simulations, site visits, and presentations by community-based practitioners. Students carry out community-based research projects and consider longer-term research interests.

**AsAmSt 478 Independent Study**  
Dao (# 3435) 1-3 credits by arrangement  
Kiang (# 2705) 1-3 credits by arrangement  
Suyemoto (# 3434) 1-3 credits by arrangement  
Tang (# 1390) 1-3 credits by arrangement

For information about classes, a six-course program-of-study or 10-course individual major, contact the Asian American Studies Program: W-2-097; peter.kiang@umb.edu; 617-287-7614; www.umb.edu/asamst and http://www.facebook.com/UMB.AsAmSt