Fall 2019 — Asian American Studies at UMass Boston (March 2019 draft)

AsAmSt 223L Asians in the U.S.
Dr. Peter Kiang  
Class #4254  
TuTh 2:00-3:15pm  
W-1-006  
This multi-disciplinary course examines the social, historical, and structural contexts defining the past, present, and future experiences of Asians in the US. Topics include migration, labor, race relations, stereotypes, international politics, and local/global diasporic communities.

AsAmSt 225L Southeast Asians in the U.S.
Dr. Shirley Tang  
Class #4257  
TuTh 12:30-1:45pm  
W-2-198  
Focusing on post-war experiences of Vietnamese, Khmer, Lao, Hmong and ethnic Chinese in the U.S. since 1975 with a focus on local communities such as Dorchester, Revere/Lynn, and Lowell. The course addresses refugee resettlement, trauma, community cultural development, generational change, and local/global connections.

AsAmSt 226 Becoming South Asians
Dr. Lakshmi Srinivas  
Class #10739  
TuTh 4:00-5:15pm  
W-2-127  
This course explores the histories, identities, and contemporary concerns of global diasporic communities formed by people with homeland origins from South Asia, including Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.

AsAmSt 228L Asian Women in the U.S.
Dr. Loan Dao  
Class #4255  
MWF 2:00-3:00pm  
W-1-029  
This multi-disciplinary course presents the experiences, voices, and contributions of Asian women in the US, including cultural roles and media stereotypes; intersectional identities and resistance to race, gender, class, and LGBTQ oppression; and family/community contexts for health, well-being, leadership, and activism.

AsAmSt/Psych 238L Asian American Psychology
Ms. Thanh Nguyen  
Class #10354  
MW 4:00-5:15pm  
W-1-044  
This course examines theories, practices, and community resources in Asian American psychology and mental health related to racial identity formation, refugee trauma and resilience, and immigrant acculturation.

AsAmSt 250G Intermediate Seminar: Rise Up! Asian American Leadership and Social Change
Dr. Loan Dao  
Class #10737  
MWF 11:00am-11:50am  
Y-1-1340  
This intermediate seminar discusses the legacy of the Asian American movement since the 1960s with current activities, directions, and perspectives of Asian American leaders and organizations. Students learn theories and models of leadership and organization within the context of social movements and Asian American history.

AsAmSt 270 Cambodian American Culture and Community
Ms. Kim Soun Ty  
Class #4256  
TuTh 11:00-12:15pm  
W-1-062  
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 communities in the US, and their continuing diasporic relationships to Cambodia. Local stories are highlighted.

AsAmSt 398 Applied Research in Asian American Studies II: AANAPISI Media Stories
Dr. Shirley Tang  
Class #10736  
Tuesdays 4:00-6:45pm  
W-2-124  
This advanced course uses digital media and social documentation approaches to address critical themes involving UMB AANAPISI students in relation to campus issues and leadership and engagement with local communities. Significant prior experience in Asian American Studies and/or media production is expected.

AsAmSt 423L Boston’s Asian American Communities
Dr. Peter Kiang  
Class #10738  
Wednesdays 4:00-6:45pm  
W-1-031  
This advanced course examines the dynamics of Asian American community development through historical cases, research/policy reports, role plays, field trips, presentations by local practitioners, and student projects.

For information about classes, community internships, a six-course program-of-study or 10-course individual major, and graduate program opportunities, contact the Asian American Studies Program: W-2-097;  
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The intercollegiate Asian American Studies Program at UMass Boston – 2019

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The Program
UMass Boston is the only research university in New England designated and funded by the U.S. Department of Education as an Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI). The Asian American Studies Program is a core asset of UMass Boston’s three successful 5-year AANAPISI grants totaling over $5.3M since 2010. In 2009, APAs for Progress, selected UMass Boston as one of the 10 Best Colleges for AAPI students in the US.

Housed within the university’s innovative School for Global Inclusion & Social Development (SGISD), our Asian American Studies (AsAmSt) Program offers intellectually-challenging, emotionally-engaging, culturally-responsive instruction in the classroom with holistic practices of mentoring, community-building, service-learning, and advocacy to address the social and academic needs of students as well as the critical capacity-building needs of local Asian American communities.

Recognized as a national model, the program offers the most Asian American Studies courses, faculty, and community linkages of any university in New England. Our alumni include teachers, social workers, health care providers, business entrepreneurs, and leaders of local Asian community organizations. By grounding our curriculum, teaching, and applied research in the local/global realities of metro Boston's communities and by respecting the knowledge and bilingual/bicultural skills that students bring to the classroom, the AsAmSt Program creates powerful learning environments for all students to gain critical understanding about the historical experiences, voices, contemporary issues, and contributions of diverse Asian populations in the U.S.

AsAmSt is open to students from any UMass Boston college and provides relevant preparation for professionals and practitioners in education, counseling, health, community development, business, and other fields affected by Asian American demographic growth. Graduate students from any area who have Asian American Studies interests can serve as teaching/research assistants, mentors to undergraduates, and project developers for the program.

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