Spring 2016 — Asian American Studies at UMass Boston (Nov 2015 draft)

**AsAmSt/AmSt 233L Asians in the U.S.**
Dr. Denise Khor  Class # 7792  TuTh 2:00-3:15pm  W-1-031
This course examines the major concepts and themes in Asian American history from the mid 18t century to the present. The course contextualizes the communities and politics of Asian immigrant with the history of state power, capitalism, and social inequalities.

**AsAmSt 225L Southeast Asians in the U.S.**
Dr. Peter Kiang  Class #7791  MWF 1:00-1:50pm  W-1-060
Focusing on experiences of Vietnamese, Khmer, Lao, Hmong and ethnic Chinese from Southeast Asia who came to the U.S. since 1975, the course addresses refugee resettlement, trauma, community cultural development, and local/global connections with a focus on metro Boston communities including Dorchester, Revere, Lynn, and Lowell.

**AsAmSt 228L Asian Women in the U.S.**
Dr. Loan Dao  Class #7793  TuTh 11:00am-12:15pm  W-2-127
We will learn about Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) women's health and well-being, such as self-image, nutrition and exercise, healthy relationships, dating and domestic violence, and advocacy and activism for women-centered rights. Students will then apply this knowledge by actively researching critical health topics affecting AAPI women.

**AsAmSt 250G Intermediate Seminar: Rise Up! Asian American Leadership and Social Change**
Dr. Loan Dao  Class # 3802  MW 4:00-5:15pm  M-2-201K
This intermediate seminar discusses the legacy of the Asian American movement since the 1960s and the present activities, directions, and perspectives of Asian American leaders and organizations. Students will learn basic theories and models of leadership and organization within the context of social movements and Asian American history.

**AsAmSt 294 Resources for Vietnamese American Studies**
Dr. Loan Dao  Class # 7789  TuTh 12:30-1:45 pm  W-2-127
This semester, we will explore themes in Vietnamese American Studies through memoirs, short stories, poetry, fiction, and science fiction written by first and second generation Vietnamese American writers. Students will have the opportunity to compose their own creative writing skills for a class publication at the end of the semester.

**AsAmSt 345 Asian American Cultures and Health Practices**
Ms. MinJin Kim with Dr. Haeok Lee  Class # 1387  Thursdays 4:00-6:45pm  W-1-053
Students examine critical issues and cultural influences on health behaviors and practices for individuals, families, and health-centered organizations in local Asian communities.

**AsAmSt 375L Indian Cinema**
Dr. Lakshmi Srinivas  Class # 7603  Mondays 4:00-6:45pm  M-2-417
Dr. Lakshmi Srinivas  Class # 7604  Wednesdays 4:00-6:45pm  M-2-417
The Indian film industry is the largest producer of feature films in the world. This course examines such films as entertainment as well as cultural narratives and commentaries on society, exploring themes such as social change, family, and gender.

**AsAmSt 498 Teaching & Learning in Asian American Studies II —**
Dr. Shirley Tang  Class # 7790  TuTh 2:00-3:15pm  M-1-617
This unique leadership course enables advanced undergraduates, graduate students, and practitioners to develop Asian American Studies research/education projects relevant to local K-12, higher education, and community education settings with a special focus on the use of Asian American Studies digital story archives as sources for research, teaching, curriculum design, and campus/community advocacy. Interested students should email: shirley.tang@umb.edu

**AsAmSt 479 Independent Study 1-3 credits by arrangement**
Dao (# 3199)  Kiang (# 3202)  Suyemoto (# 3201)  Tang (# 3200)

For more 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; peter.kiang@umb.edu; 617-287-7614; www.umb.edu/asamst and www.facebook.com/UMB.AsAmSt
The intercollegiate Asian American Studies Program at UMass Boston – 2015-16

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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). In 2009, APAs for Progress selected UMass Boston as one of the 10 Best Colleges for AAPI students in the U.S.

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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