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*** New Course ***  AsAmSt 200  Special Topics in Asian American Studies: Community Economic Development
Dr. Chi-Kan Richard Hung  Class #7575  TuTh 4:00-5:15pm  Y-4-4100
This course surveys the economic experience of Asian Americans in diverse community settings as immigrants, people of color, ethnic groups, and urbanites. Students will learn ways to address economic development needs in different areas, including employment, business development and entrepreneurship, and housing. Dr. Hung is Associate Professor of Human Services at UMB and former Board Chair of Quincy Asian Resources.

AsAmSt 223L-03 Asians in the U.S.
Ms. Kim Soun Ty  Class # 7628  TuTh 11:00am-12:15pm  W-1-029
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 223L-01 Asians in the U.S.
Dr. Denise Khor  Class # 7627  TuTh 9:30-10:45am  W-1-045
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.
Ms. Son Ca Lam  Class #4151  Thursdays 4:00-6:45pm  M-1-417
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.
Ms. Linda Thiem  Class #7576  Mondays 4:00-6:45pm  Y-4-4190
This multi-disciplinary course presents the experiences, voices, and contributions of Asian women in the US, including their transformation of cultural roles and media stereotypes; intersectional identities and resistance to race, gender, class, and LGBTQ oppression; and local/global family/community contexts for health, well-being, leadership and activism.

AsAmSt/Psych 238L Asian American Psychology
Ms. Thanh Nguyen  Class # 6893  TuTh 4:00-5:15pm  W-1-045
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 #3661  TuTh 11:00am-12:15pm  M-2-415
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 345 Asian American Cultures and Health Practices
Dr. Haeok Lee  Class # 1229  Wednesdays 4:00-6:45pm  Y-4-4130
Students examine critical issues and cultural influences on health behaviors and practices for individuals, families, and health-centered organizations in local Asian communities.

AsAmSt 370 Asian American Media Literacy
Dr. Shirley Tang  Class # 4139  TuTh 12:30-1:45pm  W-1-048
This digital storytelling in Asian American Studies course enables advanced Asian American Studies students to develop a critical eye toward popular media representations and to create alternative media products based on their own real life stories. Co-produced student digital stories will be shared throughout the semester and in a culminating exhibition.

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For information about classes, curriculum resources, alumni and community networks, a six-course program-of-study or 10-course individual major, and graduate program opportunities, contact the Asian American Studies Program in W-2-097 or via peter.kiang@umb.edu; also see: www.umb.edu/asamst and http://www.facebook.com/UMB.AsAmSt
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AsAmSt 390: Asian American Community Internship I
Ms. Kim Soun Ty  
Class #7577  
TuTh 2:00-3:15pm  
Y-2-2100
This course supports internships and direct engagement with local Asian American community organizations or agencies serving local Asian American populations and issues. Significant prior experience in Asian American Studies is expected.

AsAmSt 498 Teaching & Learning in Asian American Studies II — Chinese Diaspora & AANAPISI Leadership
Dr. Shirley Tang  
Class #7626  
Tuesdays 4:00-6:45pm  
M-1-620
This US Department of Education AANAPISI grant-funded course enables advanced undergraduates to develop Asian American Studies research/education/advocacy projects relevant to local K-12, higher education, and community education settings. During Spring 2019, the praxis focus of this course will be on bilingual assets and the local/global Chinese diaspora.

AsAmSt 479 Independent Study  
1-3 credits by arrangement
Dao (# 2553)  
Kiang (# 2556)  
Suyemoto (# 2555)  
Tang (# 2554)

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The Asian American Studies Program at UMass Boston – celebrating 30+ years of campus/community impact

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 US. In 2017-18, the Asian American Studies Program celebrated its 30th anniversary.

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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