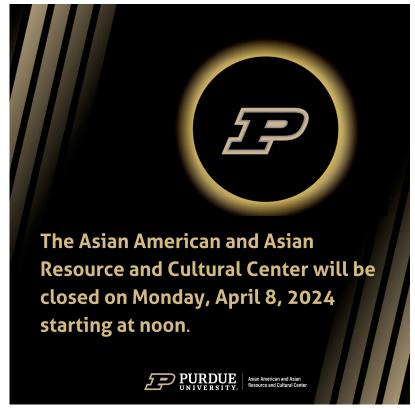
Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center Newsletter March 29, 2024

### Announcement



The Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center will be closed starting noon on Monday, April 8, 2024.

**Upcoming AAARCC Programming** 



## Are you looking for a job/internship? Are you stressed in the process?

## **Stress Survival Kit:** Job/internship search for Asian international students

## March 29th, Friday 5-6pm **AAARCC**



CAPS therapist will present and snacks will be provided!

Stress Survival Kit: Job/Internship Search for Asian International Students

Date: Friday, March 29, 2024 Time: 5 - 6 PM

Location: AAARCC

Purdue CAPS therapist is organizing and leading a workshop event about navigating and managing stress of job/internship search experiences of Asian international students. Snacks

### NETWORKING WITH ALUMNI: PURDUE ASIAN ALUMNI PANEL



Event Co-Hosted By: Purdue Center for Career Opportunities AAARCC Purdue for Life

Date: Thursday, April 4th, 2024 Time: 12:00 - 1:00 PM Location: Hybrid Event @ AAARCC + Zoom; Registration Not Required

Have you wondered how you can expand your professional network? Join this panel discussion to learn from Purdue's alumni in Asia about their experiences and how to network with alumni.



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### Networking with Alumni: Purdue Asian Alumni Panel

Thursday, April 4, 2024

12 - 1 PM

Location: Hybrid event at the AAARCC & Zoom.

Purdue CCO organizes a Purdue Asian Alumni Panel, featuring:

- Z Zakaria (BS AAE'93, MSE'95) VP Sales, Marketing, Engineering | Micron Industries Corporation.
- Nina Fujii (BS Neurobiology & Physiology '23, Psychology Minor) Research Coordinator | Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
- Takashi Nakamura (PhD Food & Process Engineering '95) VP R&D and Food Safety Del Monte
- Sophia Toh (MBA'02) Executive Coach, CEO | Illuminate U Coaching, LLC



**Dr. OiYan Poon** 

Co-Director, College Admissions Futures Co-Laborative and Senior Research Fellow for Education Equity, the NAACP LDF Thurgood Marshall Institute



# The Asian American Affirmative Action Divide and the Future of Racial Justice

Thursday, April 11, 2024 5:30 - 7 PM at STEW 190 (Light Refreshments start at 4:30 PM)

Dr. OiYan Poon is a community-engaged research scholar, educator, storyteller, and leader for intersectional racial equity. Her research has focused on the racial politics of Asian Americans, education access, affirmative action, and admissions systems and practices. She is the author of Asian American Is Not a Color: Conversations on Race, Affirmative Action, and Family (2024, Beacon Press), which explores how Asian Americans are shaping the future of race relations through debates over education policies like affirmative action, using personal narrative and interviews of Asian Americans across the country. In Rethinking College Admissions: Research-Based Practice and Policy (2022, Harvard Education Press), she and her co-editor, Mike Bastedo, and colleagues examine and offer new ideas to transform the unequal structures and systemic norms of college-going in the U.S.



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AAARCC Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Keynote Event

Speaker: Dr. OiYan Poon

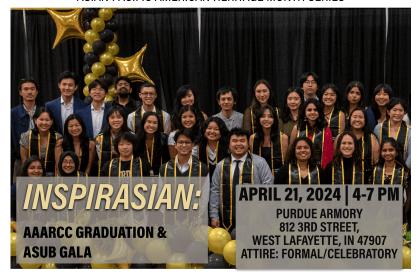
Date/Time: April 11, 2024, 5:30 PM (Light refreshments start at 4:30 PM)

**Location: STEW 190** 

Join the AAARCC and Purdue Libraries and Information Studies on Thursday, April 11th, 2024 at STEW 190 as we host Dr. OiYan Poon as our Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Keynote Speaker. There is a pre-event reception at STEW 162 from 4:30 PM and the talk will start at 5:30 PM at STEW 190. There will be a performance from Purdue TAAL, an award-winning South Asian vocal ensemble on campus.

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# PURDUE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, AND BELONGING ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH SERIES



# Calling all graduating seniors & graduate students for Spring, Summer, & Fall 2024.

RSVP here to receive a stole and enjoy time with community:

https://tinyurl.com/InspirAsian2024



# Nominate yourself or others for awards: https://tinyurl.com/InspirAsian24Links

Follow @purdueasub & @purdueaaarcc for details of the ASUB Gala Free event parking is available at the University Street North Garage (201 N. University St.)



Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center



InpsirAsian: AAARCC Graduation & ASUB Gala

Date: Sunday, April 21, 2024

Time: 4 - 7 PM

Location: Purdue Armory (812 3rd Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907)

**Attire: Formal/Celebratory** 

Calling all graduating seniors & graduate students for Spring, Summer, & Fall 2024. RSVP here by Sunday, March 31st to receive a stole and enjoy time with community: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/InspirAsian2024">https://tinyurl.com/InspirAsian2024</a>.

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### Join the AAARCC Team!

Job Title: Program Administrator

Job Description:

Job Summary

Program design, coordination/management, execution, and assessment for programs to bolster diversity on campus and highlight Asian and Asian American cultures. This position is responsible for coordinating and preparing marketing, media publications and promotion of all Center initiatives and programming. This position works closely with the Director to help facilitate relationships with internal and external agencies that promote diversity efforts. The Program Administrator also works closely with the Director to develop leadership opportunities for individual students and student organizations (e.g. leadership trainings, retreats with students,

coordinating presentations or experiential learning activities to teach students about the responsibilities of leadership). The Program Administrator participates in fundraising/development efforts as needed and takes part in institutional research and assessment regarding Asian/Asian American students and communities. The Program Administrator will prepare presentations and tours for classes, outreach programs, resource fairs and other events as needed. This position may functionally supervise up to three student employees.

#### What We're Looking For:

- Bachelor's degree in Social/Behavioral Sciences, Liberal Arts, Business/ Management, Ethnic, International or related field
- Two or more years of experience in program/event planning, marketing, media publication, promotion, execution, and assessment
- · Strong oral and written communication and leadership skills
- Talent to work well with diverse individuals and groups along with the ability to work in a fast-paced environment with frequent interruptions
- · Ability to plan strategically
- Ability to travel periodically for programming needs
- · Occasional evening and weekend programming

### What Is Helpful:

- Experience in higher education
- Experience in developing and implementing cultural and/or educational programs with diverse populations
- Demonstrated affinity, knowledge, and expertise towards Asian/ Asian American culture & communities
- · Proficiency in an Asian language

### What We Want You To Know:

- Purdue will not sponsor employment authorization for this position
- A background check is required for employment in this position
- FLSA: Exempt (Not eligible for overtime)
- Retirement Eligibility: Defined Contribution Waiting Period
- Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply

### What You'll Get In Return:

All university employees are afforded a generous benefits package, <a href="https://www.purdue.edu/hr/benewell/index.php">https://www.purdue.edu/hr/benewell/index.php</a>, including medical/dental/vision insurance, paid time off, and retirement contributions. As part of Purdue University's expansive employee benefit package, the University is proud to offer its employees the opportunity to grow, learn, and advance by offering a tuition remission opportunity at both Purdue University and Purdue Global.

### **Apply Here:**

https://careers.purdue.edu/job-invite/30634/

### Take Your Next Giant Leap

We never stop, we keep going, because Discovery is in our DNA, and we want you to discover a Career at Purdue University! Come work alongside a family of diverse culture with faculty, students, and staff who come together to become one, Boilermakers! Our greatest adventures are yet to come, and we want to include you.

Come take your Next Giant Leap and Discover your next career!

Review of the Week



Thank you, **Shagun Sethi** (PhD Student from the Department of Sociology) for presenting at the Lunch & Learn Program on March 28, 2024. The title of the presentation was "Walk with Women: Gendered Perceptions of Safety in Urban Spaces" hosted in partnership with the Department of Sociology.



On Friday, March 22nd, the Purdue Graduate Student Government hosted the "Empowering Women in Stem Forum 2024" event. The speakers of the Friday forum were: **Dr. Noori Kim, Michelle Bartley-Taylor, Dr. Olga Scrivner, and Dr. Suha Lasassmeh.** 



The AAARCC welcomed Burmese American Community Institute (BACI) students and mentors to Purdue University in their campus visit this week. BACI, one of our community partners in Indianapolis, provides educational, vocational, and social services to Burmese and other refugee communities in Greater Indianapolis. BACI's Upward College program is a year-long comprehensive approach to assist high school students for college readiness and success. College campus tours are an important part of this program, allowing high school students to visit and experience different campuses in Indiana, including Purdue.

During their tour, BACI students and mentors interacted with the AAARCC Student Staff, experienced lunch at the dining hall, and visited different sites on campus to see academic and extracurricular activities.

# AAARCC + CCO/PPA OFFICE HOURS

SELECT WEDNESDAYS 1:00 - 2:00 PM ET, SPRING 2024 AAARCC (915 5TH STREET)



### **Shihling Chui-Dwyer**

Career Services Consultant/International Student Specialist

Drop in Hours for CCO Advising

- January 10 & 24, 2024February 14 & 28, 2024March 20 & 27, 2024
- April 10, 2024

Stop by to have your resume and/or your cover letter looked over. Other services such as help preparing for interviews is also provided.



### Cristy Gosney, MFA

Office Hours for Pre-Professional Students

- · January 24, 2024
- February 14, 2024 March 20, 2024
- April 17, 2024

Stop by for assistance as you prepare for furthering education and careers in healthcare and law.





**CCO Office Hour** Select Wednesdays from 1 - 2 PM Held at the AAARCC

Shihling Chui-Dwyer, Career Services Consultant/International Student Specialist

Cristy Gosney, MFA, Senior Pre-Professional Advisor April 17, 2024

### **Spring 2024 CAPS Liaison Student Hours**

# Fridays, Noon to 1 PM In person at AAARCC (915 5th Street)



Dr. Yixun Zhu Staff Therapist Purdue CAPS

Hi! My name is Yixun. I originally came from Mainland China and currently a staff therapist at Purdue CAPS. I speak Mandarin and Japanese.

Before coming here, I worked in two other universities' counseling center and enjoyed working with college students. I am looking forward to talking to you, learning about you, and helping you achieve your goals at Purdue.



Zizhuo (Grace) Yin, MS, NCC Staff Therapist Purdue CAPS

Hi! My name is Grace. I originally came from Shanghai, China and currently a staff therapist at Purdue CAPS. Before coming to Purdue, I lived in Wisconsin for several years. I speak Mandarin.

I am running an art workshop at CAPS and hope could help you with some self-care strategy at AAARCC. I am looking forward to talking to you, learning about you, and helping you reduce some stress at Purdue.

Let me know if there is anything else you need from me. I am looking forward to meeting you again and working with you in the Spring.





Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center

Spring 2024 CAPS Liaison Student Hours Fridays, Noon to 1 PM In person at AAARCC (915 5th Street) alternating between Dr. Yixun Zhu and Zizhuo (Grace) Yin, M.S., NCC

### Introduction by staff therapist Dr. Yixun Zhu

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### **Spring 2024 CARE ADVOCATE HOURS**

At the AAARCC (915 5th Street)



Amanda Shie Prevention Programming Specialist Center for Advocacy, Response, & Education (CARE)

Join the AAARCC & CARE for an opportunity to take part in different activities and conversations. Taking place between 2 - 3 PM ET.

- January 29th: Screening of the show I am a Stalker
- February 20th: Lunar New Year Calligraphy
- March 20th: Conversations and drawing
- April 17th: De-Stress Activity



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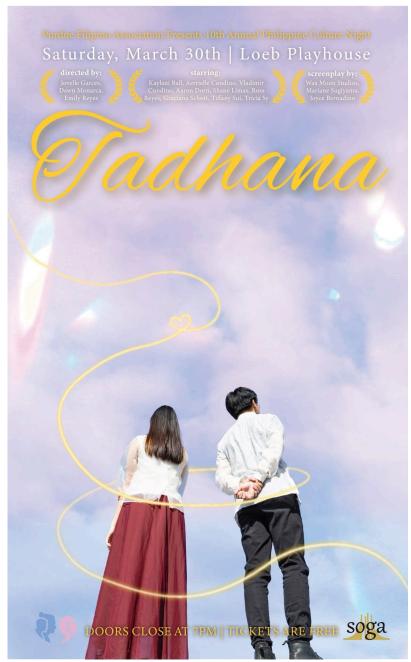
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April 17th: De-Stress Activity

CARE Liaison:

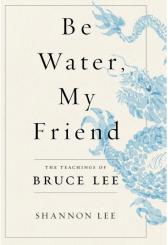
Amanda Shie (Prevention Programming Specialist)

**Campus/Community Opportunities** 



Purdue Filipino Association (PFA) is presenting their 10th annual Philippines Culture Night. The event will take place on Saturday, March 30th, 2024. Doors close at 7 PM, at Loeb Playhouse. Reserve your free ticket online: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/PCN2024TicketForm">https://tinyurl.com/PCN2024TicketForm</a>







### **Book Club**

PURDUE ASIAN ALUMNI NETWORK

Every Other Tuesday starting on 3/19/24 8 pm to 9 pm ET via Zoom

3/19/24

Chapters 1 & 2 The Water Way | The Empty Cup

4/2/24

Chapters 3 & 4
The Eternal Student | The Opponent

4/16/24

Chapters 5 & 6 The Tools | The Obstacles

4/30/24

Chapters 7 & 8
The Rainstorm | The Living Void

5/14/24

Chapters 9 & 10

The Way of the Intercepting Fist | My Friend

### Purdue Asian American Alumni Network: Book Club

Join the PAAN for a book club featuring "Be Water, My Friend" by Shannon Lee. Every other Tuesday starting on 3/19/2024. 8 pm - 9 pm ET via Zoom.

3/19/24: Chapters 1 & 2. The Water Way | The Empty Cup

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We welcome anyone to join the Purdue Asian Alumni Network in our third book club session, reading *Be Water*, *My Friend* by Shannon Lee. Here is the link to register for any of the five dates we are meeting, and we look forward to connecting with you all!

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Dr. Roslynn Ang Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence @ Indiana University Bloomington/Independent Scholar

Roslynn Ang is an educator and scholar in the intersections of cultural anthropology, East Asian Studies, settler colonial studies and critical heritage studies. Her research interests include media and performance studies decolonizing methodology, indigeneity, representations of race and nation, and Japan's colonial history with East Asia and the West.

This talk is free and open to all.



Department of Anthropology

# Join us for an Anthropologies of Tomorrow lecture! COMPLICATING RESISTANCE AND COMPLIANCE: STRATEGIES OF INDIGENOUS AINU SURVIVAL IN EVERYDAY SPACES



Sakushukotoni river, Hokkaido Universi Photo taken by Roslynn Ang (2023)

### riday, April 5th @ 1:00 BRNG 1245

Research on colonial oppression and subaltern resistance either victimize or valorize disempowered communities, with the underlying oppression-resistance binary becoming a catalyst dividing Indigenous communities. This paper focuses on various strategies of the urban Ainu community to blur the boundary between resistance and compliance to respond to Unangax' scholar Eve Tuck's call to center desire-based research instead of damage-centered research on the disempowered (2009). We will "follow" an ethnography of several Ainu elders on their ecotour of Hokkaido University, an institution that is built on Ainu lands and has a history of conducting unethical research on the Ainu and listen to their stories and participate in their dances. I argue that the seemingly contradictory work of various community members to either resist or become coopted by the settler state are strategies to refuse the binary of oppression and resistance. The elders and the participants of the walking tour work to unsettle the familiar stories, spaces, social worlds, and the bodies of people inhabiting the university. This interruption in the binary of oppression and resistance enables the urban Ainu community to focus on future potentialities and social revival in Japan.

Complicating Resistance & Compliance: Strategies of Indigenous Ainu Survival in Everyday Spaces - Dr. Roslynn Ang

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**Research Participation Opportunities** 



Asian & Asian American teens living in Rural Midwest IRB-2022-1326

Purdue University researchers are recruiting Asian and Asian American high school students who live in the rural Midwest to learn about their experiences growing up.

Earn \$50 for your participation.

For more information, reach out to Stewart Chang Alexander at AA\_Teen\_Study@purdue.edu tinyurl.com/AAPurdueStudy



For more information, please email Dr. Nasreen Lalani, lalanin@purude.edu or Dr. Katare Bhagyashree bkatare@purdue.edu This study has been reviewed and approved by the Institutional Review Board Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA

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