

Asian American & Asian Resource and Cultural Center Weekly Newsletter February 11, 2020

Message from the AAARCC

- Faculty members, Graduate Assistants, Teaching Assistants who hold office hours are encouraged to consider reserving the conference room on the second level of the AAARCC. To check the availability of the space, please contact the center via email at: aaarcc@purdue.edu.
- If you would like your event advertised, please submit it to aaarcc@purdue.edu by Wednesday to be featured on our next week's edition.

AAARCC Events

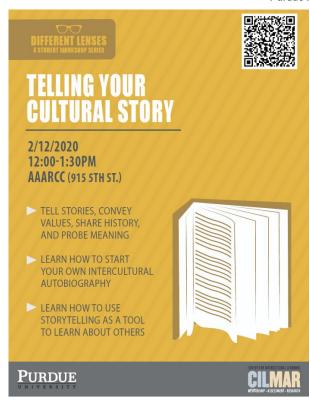
CILMAR's DIFFERENT LENSES: Telling Your Cultural Story

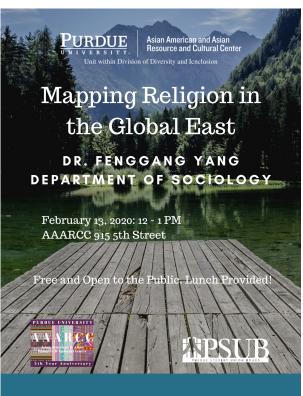
Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Time: 12 - 1:30 PM Location: AAARCC

CILMAR's Telling Your Cultural Story workshop hosted at the AAARCC considers storytelling principals and listening strategies. Participants learn to use storytelling to reflect on cultural values and intercultural experiences in both speaker and listener roles.

Please RSVP at this <u>form</u> to confirm your spot in the workshop.





AAARCC's Lunch & Learn Series- "Mapping Religion in the Global East" by Dr. Fenggang

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Thursday, February 13, 2020

Time: 12 - 1 PM Location: AAARCC

Please join us for lunch and great conversations as we hear from Dr. Fenggang Yang speak on "Mapping Religion in the Global East".

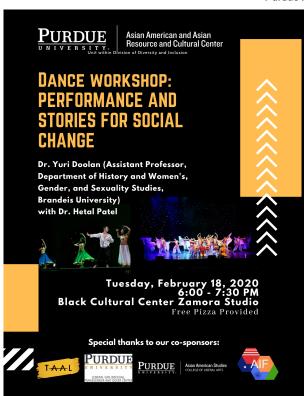
Dance Workshop: Performance & Stories For

Social Change

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Time: 6 - 7:30 PM

Location: BCC Zamora Studio



Dr. Doolan was part of a competitive Bollywood dance team, Anubhav, at Northwestern University and with the team, competed in nation-wide South Asian dance circuits. Please join us as we learn ways to use dance to tell stories for social change!



The AAARCC is pleased to participate in Mental Health Awareness week through our Dance Workshop event listed above.

"Research shows that mental illnesses are common in the United States, affecting tens of millions of people each year. Nearly one in five U.S. adults live with a mental illness. Estimates suggest that only half of people with mental illnesses receive treatment." – National Institute of Mental Health

Mental Health Awareness Week
February 17 – 21, 2020 presented by Purdue
Student Government in conjunction with Purdue
Administration, Purdue Human Resources, Purdue
Graduate Student Government, Recreation and
Wellness, Student Councils, Cultural Centers and
other Cultural Organizations, Residence Hall
Association and Fraternities, Sororities and
Cooperatives.

For a lineup of events, please click <u>here</u>.

CAPS Representatives at the AAARCC



Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center

Unit within Division of Diversity and Inclusion

REALI-TEA:

CONVERSATIONS ON MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING, SELF-CARE TIMES, & WEEKLY STUDENT HOURS WITH PURDUE COUNSELING & PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

All student hours and events take place at the Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center (AAARCC), 915 5th Street

Weekly Student Hours with Casiana Warfield, MS (Wednesdays 1 - 2 PM)

February 26, 2020:

12-1 PM: CAPS Student Hours (Dr. Penny Peng) at the AAARCC 1-2 PM: Reali-tea (Managing Expectations: Towards a Healthier Semester)

March 11, 2020:

12-1 PM: CAPS Student Hours (Dr. Penny Peng) at the AAARCC 1-2 PM: Self-Care Activity

March 25, 2020:

12-1 PM: CAPS Student Hours (Dr. Penny Peng) at the AAARCC 1-2 PM: Reali-tea ("Not Asian Enough": What Are My Identities?)

April 8, 2020:

12–1 PM: CAPS Student Hours (Dr. Penny Peng) at the AAARCC 1–2 PM: Self-Care Activity

April 22, 2020:

12-1 PM: CAPS Student Hours (Dr. Penny Peng) at the AAARCC
1-2 PM: Reali-tea (Mental Health and International Students' Experiences)

Join us for tea, snacks, and meaningful conversations!

Bios of CAPS Representatives at the AAARCC:

Penny Peng, Ph.D., LMFT

Hello! I am a staff therapist at Purdue. My background is a licensed marriage and family therapist. Before coming here, I worked at another university. My passion is working with minority students and engaging in conversations related to cultural diversity. I am an activist for social justice. My ethnic background is Chinese. I moved here last September and love working here.

Casiana Warfield, MS

Hello all! I am looking forward to supporting you and being a part of your community this semester! I am currently a predoctoral psychology intern at Counseling and Psychological Services as I finish my doctorate in Clinical Psychology from Eastern Michigan University. I have been working in college

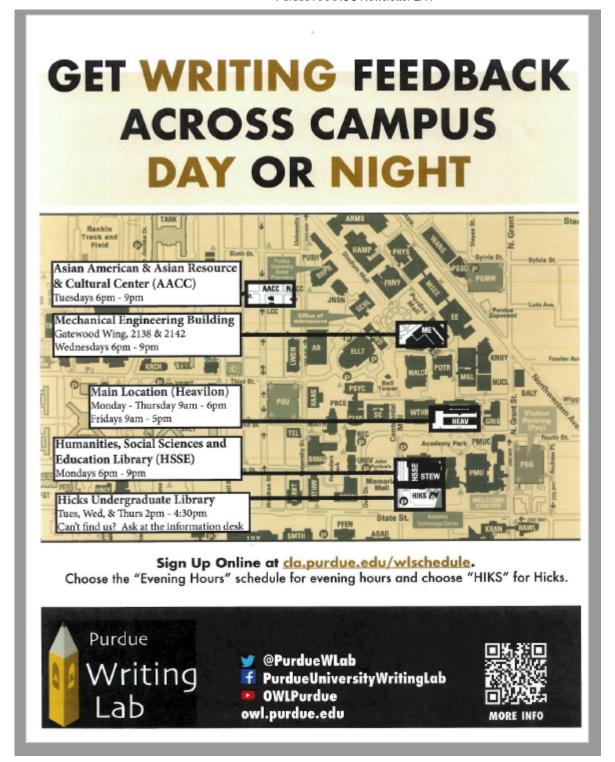
mental health for the last three [years] focusing on multiculturalism and acceptance coping, and love the academic environment. I am biracial, Asian and White, and grew up in Indianapolis cherishing my Filipino heritage and negotiating my multiracial identity within many primarily Euro-American institutions. My goals for this semester are to learn more about your needs and identify how CAPS can support you as students and people.

Resources

The AAARCC is the host a satellite location of the Purdue Writing Lab. Held Tuesdays Time 6 - 9 PM

Location: AAARCC

To sign up, please register for a time at <u>cla.purdue.edu/wlschedule</u> Choose the "evening Hours" schedule for evening hours.



Featured Faculty/Staff Member

Abrar Hammoud

Abrar Hammoud is a Clinical Assistant Professor in Purdue Polytechnic's Department of Technology Leadership & Innovation. She teaches project and problem-based design through approaches that



blend and transcend traditional academic disciplines. She is also highly involved in the Polytechnic's innovative teaching and learning initiatives and transformation initiatives.

Her research interests include processes of resilience as communicated through meaningful work, in addition to narratives of failure expressed via visual, artistic, and technical mediums, and their impact on failure tolerance and creativity. Through this blend of topics, she believes that students will engage in both art and technology with a deeper understanding of the impact they have in their lives and in the lives of others.

Abrar believes it is education which provides the opportunity to escape societal expectations and that who we are is defined by what we are willing to struggle for. A priority of hers is helping students explore their natural curiosity. She believes the question "What do you want to do?" isn't the right one to ask, especially of young adults. Rather, students should consider the question "What are you willing to struggle for?" A person who wants to launch their own business has to be willing to invest time, money, and resources with no promise of return on those investments. A writer has to be willing to endure criticism and rejection, often time and time again. A person wanting to cultivate meaningful relationships has to be willing to sacrifice and to withstand vulnerability.

She considers education a means of empowerment, an opportunity for exchange, and essential to the necessary preparation for life's worthwhile struggles and adversities..

Diversity & Inclusion - Cultural Center Events

Panel Discussion: Religion, Polarization, and the Public Space

(Part of Programmatic Theme "Democracy, Civility, and Freedom of Expression)

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Time: 6 - 7:30 PM

Location: Loeb Playhouse

This panel will discuss the role of religion in the pursuit of democracy, civility and the freedom of expression and the challenges posed by increasing polarization in public discourse as it relates to religious identity and expression. A religiously diverse panel of well-known public intellectuals will explore this topic and others via conversation and contemplation. A free general admissions ticket is required and can be reserved here">here.

On the panel are:

 Arun Gandhi, President of the Gandhi Worldwide Education Institute and grandson of Mahatma Gandhi

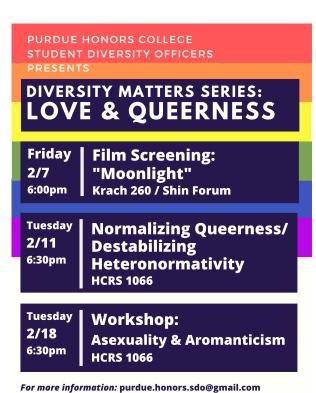
- Sarah Hurwitz, American speechwriter who served President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama, and author of *Here All Along: A Reintroduction to Judiasm*.
- Ron Reagan, Contributor to MSNBC, former radio host and commentator who identifies as an atheist; son of late President Ronald Reagan
- Reza Aslan, Iranian American scholar of Religious Studies, writer and television host
- Rev. Naomi Tutu, Reverend, activist and daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu
- Amy Goodman (moderator), Host and Executive Producer of Democracy Now!

The Division of Diversity and Inclusion (DDI) is introducing a programmatic theme for 2020: Democracy, Civility, and Freedom of Expression. Throughout the spring semester, students, faculty, staff, alumni and community members are invited to engage in conversations about and consider the importance of each element of the theme. Activities and events will include interactive workshops, inspiring performances, high-impact public speakers, and innovative conversational gatherings.

To see the list of events, please click here.

The DDI is looking for students to volunteer for their events. To sign up as a volunteer, please click here!

Campus Events



As a part of its "Diversity Matters Series", the Honors College is dedicating February to "Love and Queerness". We have a wonderful line-up of events -- a screening of the film Moonlight, a panel on "Normalizing Queerness/Destabilizing Heteronormativity", and a workshop on "Asexuality and Aromanticism"

Normalizing Queerness/Destabilizing Heteronormativity Tuesday, February 11, 2020 Time: 6:30 PM

Location: HCRS 1066

Workshop: Asexuality & Aromanticism

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: HCRS 1066

Graduate Student Career Fair Tuesday, February 11, 2020 Time 9 AM - 3 PM Location: STEW 214

After Graduate School, what next...? If you have ever found yourself pondering that question? If so, we encourage you to attend the Graduate Student Career Fairs. The Purdue Graduate Student Government (PGSG) organizes career fair every semester to better suit Purdue's Graduate Student population. This allows companies to be exposed to our graduate student body and have both employers and students form long lasting and valuable connections! Granting advanced degrees in over 70 areas, Purdue is known for its outstanding graduate programs. Pairing Purdue's high quality graduate students with companies of exceptional reputation, our Career Fairs will continue to be an invaluable resource to our student body!

Registration for participation is required. Please sign up here.



Interpreting Islam in China by Dr. Kristian Petersen

Friday, February 14, 2020

Time: 3 - 4 PM

Location: Heavilon Hall, G17

Dr. Kristian Petersen of Old Dominion University will give a talk on "Interpreting Islam in China". Kristian Petersen is an assistant professor in the Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies at Old Dominion University. His research and teaching interests include Theory and Methodology in the Study of Religion, Islamic Studies, Chinese Religions, and Media Studies. He specializes in two main areas of research 1) the development of Islam in China, and 2) Muslims in Cinema. He is the author of interpreting Islam in China: Pilgrimage, Scripture, and Language in the Han Kitab (Oxford University Press, 2017).

Ohayō (Bom Dia): Recording the Voiceless Voices of Japanese Immigrants to Brazil in Ishikawa Tatsuzō's *Sōbō*

Pedro Bassoe, Assistant Professor of Japanese Literature SLC Colloquium, SC 239 - Feb. 18th, 3:00 - 4:00 PM



In 1930, aspiring author Ishikawa Tatsuzō accompanied a ship of Japanese immigrants to Brazil in order to observe the hardships experienced by agricultural workers and their families abroad. He portrayed their journey in *The People* (Sōbō, 1935), the most famous account of Japanese immigration to Brazil. Released in three parts, the last section of *The People* poignantly frames the powerless position of its subjects via its title, "People Without Voices." While the phrase foregrounds the inability of immigrants to give voice to their own experiences, throughout *The People*, Ishikawa endeavors to make audible exactly that which is impossible to hear—the voices of the voiceless. He does this by recording the nuances of their spoken language as faithfully as possible, including dialects of Japanese from rural provinces, as well as the Luso-Japanese pidgin that begins to develop on Brazilian plantations.



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Time: 3 - 4 PM

Location: Stanley Coulter 239

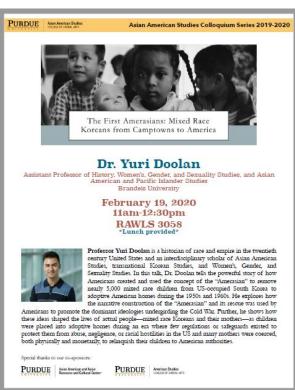
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Asian American Studies Colloquium
"The First Americans: Mixed Race Koreans
from Camptowns to America" by Dr. Yuri
Doolan

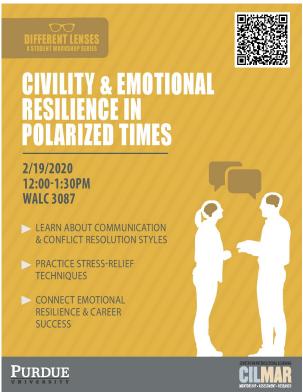
Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Time: 11- 12:30 PM Location: RAWLS 3058 *Lunch Provided*

Professor Yuri Doolan is a historian of race and empire in the twentieth century United States and an interdisciplinary scholar of Asian American Studies, transnational Korean Studies, and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. In this



talk, Dr. Doolan tells the powerful story of how Americans created and used the concept of the "American" to reomove nearly 5,000 mixed race children from US-occupied South Korea to adoptive American homes during the 1950s and 1960s.



CILMAR's DIFFERENT LENSES: Civility and Emotional Resilience in Polarized Times Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Time: 12 - 1:30 PM Location: WALC 3087

Civility and Emotional Resilience in Polarized Times is designed for anyone wishing to be more open, interculturally competent, or comfortable with difficult dialogues. Participants will learn from self-awareness exercises and take part in dialogues about current, real-life, cross-cultural issues.

2020 Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP)

Conduct intensive research with a faculty mentor, develop an oral and poster presentation, attend



GRE workshops, and make new friends and connections!

Program Dates: June 1st - July 24th

A generous stipend, university housing, and roundtrip travel is included.

Application portal will be open until 3/1/2020

For more information, please visit: https://tinyurl.com/PurdueSROP

Opportunities

Job Opportunity

A Peer Success Coach (PSC) is a point-person who can offer guidance to students as they navigate life at Purdue. PSCs are primarily upperclassmen who coach their peers through personal, academic, and social concerns such as studying for exams, connecting with campus resources, finding motivation, getting involved in campus activities and organizations, and managing time. PSCs meet weekly or biweekly with their coaches and hold them accountable for meeting their established goals.

Here are some highlights of the position:

- PSCs work for about 5-7 hours per week
- Must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA
- Student must be able to commit to the position for at least 2 semesters
- Plenty of opportunities for professional and personal development in a supportive environment
- Deadline to submit applications is Monday, March 2 at 12:00 pm.

More information regarding the application, along with a link to apply via Qualtrics, can be found here and any questions about the position or selection process can be emailed directly to Shruti Nelson, Assistant Director of the Academic Success Center at shrutin@purdue.edu.

Model Minority, an AAPI identity Magazine Call for Submissions!

Model Minority is an Asian American identity magazine, dedicated to highlighting creative work by/about/for Asian Americans, subverting the myth of the model minority, and, ultimately, "reclaiming our stories." We're opening submissions for our Spring 2020 issue, and we're looking for

artists/writers/creatives to help us build this platform. We're open to any form of creative expression, ranging from fiction to essays to poetry to visual art. Send submissions via our google form: https://tinyurl.com/modelminorityemory.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us at modelminorityemory@gmail.com with any questions or concerns. We can't wait to review your work! Check out our website!



LEAP Emerge is an eight-week paid summer internship program designed to develop emerging young leaders by providing college students with practical leadership skills and the opportunity to work hands-on in the Asian and Pacific Islander community in Southern California. Nationally recognized trainers are recruited to deliver workshops in critical skill areas. Issue discussions are on local or timely topics of interest and are facilitated by local community leaders/activists and LEAP trainers.

ELIGIBILITY Applicants must have completed two years of college by June 15, 2020, currently enrolled in college, or a recent graduate. All applicants must be able to complete the full eightweek program and attend the following mandatory events:

- LEAP Welcome Week: June 15-19, 2020.
- LEAP Leadership Training: June 26, July 2, July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31
- LEAP Leadership Awards Celebration: July 23, 2020
- LEAP Emerge Graduation: August 7, 2020

For more information, please click <u>here</u>.

Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute

SEASSI has been providing intensive language instruction since 1983 in Burmese, Filipino, Hmong, Indonesian, Javanese, Khmer, Lao, Thai, and Vietnamese. All language courses offered by SEASSI are for credit, and <u>financial aid</u> is available!

This summer's SEASSI program will be hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Madison from June 15 through August 7, 2020.

Applications for the 2020 SEASSI program are now being accepted online via our <u>website</u>.

If you would like additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us at seassi@seasia.wisc.edu, or visit our website.

Testimonial from a Purdue University student:



Vietnamese. This program provides great language immersion and opportunities to interact with teachers from all over the world. You also get to meet language learners from all aspects of life with various reasons for wanting to learn a language. SEASSI also sponsors events including picnics, film showings, and guest speakers from any of the SEASSI languages. I will also add: Madison, WI in the summer is beautiful. -Sarah Huang, PhD Candidate Department of Anthropology and Ecological Sciences & Engineering



Interested in learning the martial art of Taekwondo?

Consider participating in the Taekwondo club! Classes are scheduled Tuesdays and Thursdays at the CoRec MP6 from 7:30 - 8:30 PM for traditional classes and from 8:30 - 9:30 PM for the demonstration team. Additionally, we meet on Saturdays in the CoRec MP3 from 2 - 4 PM for sparring classes and from 4 - 5 PM for open practice.

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