

Asian American and Asian Resource and Cultural Center

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Information from the AAARCC



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Email: aaarcc@purdue.edu

Phone: 765-496-0488

Videoconferencing: Email or call to set up

Facebook, Instagram, Twitter:

@purdueaaarcc

Office Hours Post Spring Break: 8 AM to 5 PM

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For information regarding Purdue's responses to the COVID-19 situation, please refer to https://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/releases/2020/Q1/need-to-know-info-about-covid-2019.html. Purdue AAARCC Website also has a tab titled "Important Info About COVID-19" that we continue updating in response to Purdue University's official emails.

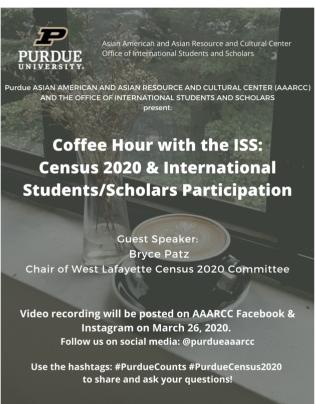
To emphasize, the staff members of the AAARCC will remain available via phone call at (765) 496-

0488 and e-mails during regular business hours, Mondays through Fridays from 8 AM to 5 PM.

Additionally, we encourage you to engage with our social media as we regularly update our platforms with information and opportunities:

Facebook
Instagram
Twitter

Event Updates



Virtual Coffee Hour with the ISS Thursday, March 26, 2020 On the AAARCC's Instagram

The 2020 Census is here!

As part of our collaborative program with ISS, "Coffee Hour with the ISS," we invite Bryce Patz, the Chair of West Lafayette Census 2020 Committee, to give an informational presentation about the Census, its significance, and the needed participation from Purdue international students and scholars. Bryce's presentation will be uploaded to our Facebook and Instagram on Thursday, March 26, 2020.

In anticipation of the presentation, we are inviting all of you to ask questions that you would like Bryce and/or the ISS to answer. Please comment on our <u>Instagram Post</u> with your questions and use our

hashtags #PurdueCounts or #PurdueCensus2020

We are also inviting you to watch this short, two-minute video that provides a good introduction on what the 2020 Census is and how it may affect you: https://youtu.be/oXZAe8XYeNQ

AAARCC Spring 2020 Events UPDATES



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- March 25, April 8, April 22, Noon to 1 PM with Dr. Penny Peng
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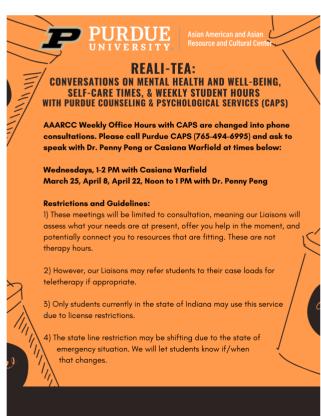
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Schedules & Bios of CAPS Representatives



AAARCC Weekly Office Hours with CAPS are changed into phone consultations.

Please call Purdue CAPS (765-494-6995) and ask to speak with Dr. Penny Peng or Casiana Warfield at times below:

- Wednesdays, 1-2 PM with Casiana Warfield
- March 25, April 8, April 22, Noon to 1 PM with Dr. Penny Peng

Restrictions and Guidelines:

- 1) These meetings will be limited to consultation, meaning our Liaisons will assess what your needs are at present, offer you help in the moment, and potentially connect you to resources that are fitting. These are not therapy hours.
- 2) However, our Liaisons may refer students to their caseloads for teletherapy if appropriate.
- 3) Only students currently in the state of Indiana may use this service due to license restrictions.
- 4) The state line restriction may be shifting due to the state of emergency situation. We will let students know if/when that changes.

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.

Featured Faculty Member



Heejeon Bras:

Heejeon Joy Bras is a continuing lecturer in Purdue Language and Cultural Exchange (PLaCE). Prior to joining PLaCE in January 2018, she taught on a full-time basis at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) and as a graduate assistant at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), and worked as an ENL teacher at Harrison High School for the Tippecanoe School Corporation.

In all of these institutions she has worked with a broad range of colleagues and students. She earned a degree in English from Hankuk University of Foreign Studies and a master's in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) and Reading Education from the University of Northern Iowa.

She has also completed the course work for a doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction (specializing in Second Language Acquisition and bilingual education) at UIUC. Her research interests are bilingual education, second language acquisition, and culturally responsive teaching.

In her free time, Heejeon enjoys reading and writing bilingual children's stories and spending time with family and friends.

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