

Korean American & Asian American Studies Curriculum Conference

Saturday, November 19, 2022

UCI Humanities Gateway 1030 & Zoom Webinar

A Mini-Conference Promoting Korean American Studies Curriculum and Collaboration with other Asian American Studies Curriculum.

Time	Topics & Presenters			
08:30 - 09:00	Registration and Welcome Light Refreshments			
09:00 - 09:30	Introduction and Opening: Moderator: Dr. Joseph Jeon, UCI Center for Critical Korean Studies Director Remarks: Special Guest: Mr. Youngwan Kim (Korean Consul General) Special Guest: Mr. Dave Min (State Senator) Special Guest: Ms. Tammy Kim (Irvine City Council Member)			
Keynote Presentation 09:30 - 10:15	Asian Americans in 50 States' K-12 U.S. History Curriculum Dr. Sohyun An (Professor, Kennesaw State University)			
10:15 - 10:45	Introduction of Korean American Studies Curriculum and Korean American Studies E-library Dr. Grace Cho (Professor, California State University, Fullerton) Mr. T.C. Kim (President, Korean American Studies Education Foundation)			
10:45 - 11:00	Break			
Breakout Sessions 11:00 - 12:00	<p>Korean American Studies Lesson Demonstration: (Rooms will be assigned to in-person participants, and separate zoom links will be provided to online participants.)</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td> <p>Culturally Relevant Pedagogy and Implementing Korean American Studies in Classrooms (Elementary School/DLI)</p> <p>Presenters: Minhye Son, Ph.D. (Assistant Professor, Teacher Education, CSUDH) Mrs. Kristyn Son (Teacher, Jefferson Elementary)</p> </td> <td> <p>Where does the story of Korean Americans begin? Experience of Korean immigrants in California Citrus Industry (Middle School)</p> <p>Presenter: Jeff Kim, Ed.D., NBCT, MPH (Teacher, Instructional Coach, and Teacher Educator, Anaheim USD)</p> </td> <td> <p>Saigu: Cry for Justice & Interethnic Relations (High School, U.S. History College Prep)</p> <p>Presenters: Ms. Hera Kwon (Teacher, Sunny Hills High School, Fullerton JUHSD) Grace Cho, Ph. D. (Professor, Secondary Education, CSUF)</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Culturally Relevant Pedagogy and Implementing Korean American Studies in Classrooms (Elementary School/DLI)</p> <p>Presenters: Minhye Son, Ph.D. (Assistant Professor, Teacher Education, CSUDH) Mrs. Kristyn Son (Teacher, Jefferson Elementary)</p>	<p>Where does the story of Korean Americans begin? Experience of Korean immigrants in California Citrus Industry (Middle School)</p> <p>Presenter: Jeff Kim, Ed.D., NBCT, MPH (Teacher, Instructional Coach, and Teacher Educator, Anaheim USD)</p>	<p>Saigu: Cry for Justice & Interethnic Relations (High School, U.S. History College Prep)</p> <p>Presenters: Ms. Hera Kwon (Teacher, Sunny Hills High School, Fullerton JUHSD) Grace Cho, Ph. D. (Professor, Secondary Education, CSUF)</p>
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12:00 – 13:00	Lunch			
Colloquium 13:00 – 14:30	<p>Integrating Asian American Curriculum in K-12 classrooms</p> <p>Presentations Connecting Korean American Ethnic Studies Curriculum to other Asian Ethnic Studies Curricula Dr. Jane Hong, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History, Occidental College</p> <p>Bringing Asian American Studies into Every Classroom: The AAPI Multimedia Textbook Dr. Kelly N. Fong, Ph.D., Continuing Lecturer, Asian American Studies, UCLA</p> <p>Empowering Educators to Teach Asian American Experiences and Histories Ms. Virginia Nguyen, Educator, Portola High School, Irvine USD</p> <p>Questions and Answers Moderator: Dr. Joseph Jeon</p>			
14:30 – 15:00	Closing & Evaluation Dr. Joseph Jeon			

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BIOGRAPHIES

Mr. Youngwan Kim (Korean Consul General)

Youngwan Kim is a career diplomat who joined the Foreign Ministry of the Republic of Korea in 1993. He worked at various Ministries of the Korean Government, including Foreign Ministry, Unification Ministry, and Office for Government Policy Coordination, Prime Minister's Office. Prior to his current post as Consul General in LA, he served as Director-General for National Security and Foreign Policy at the Prime Minister's office. He also worked as Director-General for Planning and Management of the Foreign Ministry. His most recent foreign post was a Member of the Panel of Experts, UN Security Council Sanctions Committee at the United Nations headquarter. His foreign posts also include Washington D.C., New York, Beijing and Baghdad.

Mr. Dave Min (State Senator)

Dave Min was elected in 2020 to represent Orange County's 37th State Senate District, which includes the cities of Anaheim Hills, Costa Mesa, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Laguna Beach, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Newport Beach, Orange, Tustin, and Villa Park. Dave is a native Californian who resides in Irvine with his wife, Jane Stoeber, and their three young kids. Before joining the State Senate, Min was a law professor at UC Irvine, where he taught and researched in the area of business law. He is one of the country's leading experts on banking and housing policy, and has testified six times before Congress on these issues. Jane is also a law professor at UC Irvine, where she teaches Family Law, runs the law school's Domestic Violence Clinic, and is the founder and director of UCI's Initiative to End Family Violence, one of the university's signature programs that is working to develop interdisciplinary solutions to domestic violence and abuse.

Ms. Tammy Kim (Irvine City Council Member)

Councilmember *Tammy Kim* is a mother, a nonprofit leader, educator, community advocate, small-business owner, and former corporate executive who has lived, worked, and raised her son in Irvine for the past two decades. She was elected to City Council in November 2020 in a historic win, beating out 13 other candidates to take first place. Tammy has served as Finance Commissioner for the City of Irvine, Chair of the Language Access Committee for the Orange County Registrar of Voters, a member of the City of Irvine Complete Count Committee for the 2020 Census, and on the Steering Committee for the Irvine Global Village Festival. Tammy currently represents the City of Irvine on the boards of the Southern California Association of Governments, Irvine Community Land Trust, Orange County Public Libraries, and the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control, where she is part of the Policy & Personnel Committee. She also serves on the Board of Irvine's Green Ribbon Committee and Irvine Child Care Project, and is on the liaison committee for Irvine Unified School District.

Dr. Joseph Jeon (UCI Center for Critical Korean Studies Director)

Joseph Jonghyun Jeon is Director of the Center for Critical Korean Studies and Professor of English and Asian American Studies at the University of California, Irvine. He is the author of *Vicious Circuits: Korea's IMF Cinema and the End of the American Century* (Stanford University Press, 2019) and *Racial Things, Racial Forms: Objecthood in Avant-Garde Asian American Poetry* (University of Iowa Press, 2012).

Dr. Sohyun An (Professor, Social Studies Education Elementary and Early Childhood, Kennesaw State University)

Sohyun An is a professor of social studies education at Kennesaw State University. She received B.S. and M.S. degrees in social studies education from Seoul National University in South Korea, and Ph.D. degree in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. As a former high school social studies teacher, Dr. An is currently a teacher educator of elementary social studies education. Her teaching and research center on anti-racist curriculum and pedagogy and teaching about Asian American history. Her current project investigates anti-racist pedagogy in elementary classrooms, research funded by the Spencer Foundation. She has also contributed to Smithsonian and PBS curriculum projects regarding Asian American history education. In the wake of COVID-19 pandemic and the upsurge of anti-Asian hate and violence, Dr. An has been interviewed and had her teaching and research cited in many media outlets, including CNN, Time, New York Times, Reuters, and Vox. She is also the recipient of the 2022 Distinguished Professor Award from Kennesaw State University as well as the Distinguished Researcher Award from American Educational Research Association's Research on the Education of Asian and Pacific Americans SIG.

Dr. Grace Cho (Professor, CSU Fullerton)

Grace Cho is a Professor in the Department of Secondary Education at Cal State University, Fullerton. As a former LAUSD teacher, her interest and passion in teaching and research centers on the preparation of educators for education equity and academic achievement among culturally and linguistically diverse populations. Dr. Cho's research focuses on bilingual education, heritage language development, cultural diversity, and teacher education. She has earned her Ph.D. in Education, specializing in Language, Literacy & Learning from the University of Southern California. She provided leadership in developing Korean, Mandarin & Vietnamese bilingual authorization programs and a study abroad program for her department. Currently, she is leading the efforts in developing Korean American Ethnic Studies Curriculum and supplementary teaching materials. Dr. Cho is trilingual in Korean, Spanish, and English.

Dr. Jane Hong (Associate Professor of History, Occidental College)

Jane Hong is associate professor of history at Occidental College and the author of *Opening the Gates to Asia: A Transpacific History of How America Repealed Asian Exclusion* (University of North Carolina Press, 2019). Hong's current project, under contract with Oxford University Press, traces the history of Asian American evangelicals since the 1970s. A public historian, she appears in two episodes of the PBS docuseries, *Asian Americans* (2020), serves on the editorial board of the *Journal of American History*, and has written for the *Washington Post* and the *Los Angeles Times*. Hong received her Ph.D. in history from Harvard and her B.A. from Yale.

Dr. Minhye Son (Assistant Professor, CSU Dominguez Hills)

Minhye Son is an Assistant Professor of Teacher Education at CSU, Dominguez Hills. Grounded in sociocultural theories and critical frameworks, her scholarly interests focus on the intersections of language and power in the areas of teacher education and bilingual/multicultural education. She earned her doctorate at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Dr. Jeff Kim (Teacher, Instructional Coach, and Teacher Educator, Anaheim USD)

Jeff Kim is a national board certified teacher, instructional coach, and civic lead in Anaheim Union High School District and a teacher educator at Cal State Fullerton. He was awarded the Roy Erickson Civic Education Leadership Award by the California Council for the Social Studies in 2022. He is also founder of the educational YT Channel EdFamily.

Dr. Kelly Fong (UCLA Asian American Studies Center AAPI Multimedia Textbook Co-Director and Continuing Lecturer in Asian American Studies at UCLA)

Kelly Fong (she/her) is a fifth-generation Chinese American, historical archaeologist, and Asian American Studies scholar. She has taught in Asian American Studies, history, and anthropology at multiple universities in Southern California including UCLA where she is currently a Continuing Lecturer in Asian American Studies. Dr. Fong is also the Co-Director of the AAPI Multimedia Textbook at the UCLA Asian American Studies Center, a narrative project that seeks to bring Asian American Studies to high school classrooms across the country.

Ms. Hera Kwon has been a Social Science teacher at Sunny Hills High School since 1994. She is currently teaching US History and Government. Her previous experiences also include TOSA for EL students and cheer advisor. She graduated with a B.A. in history from UC Irvine.

Ms. Kristyn Son is currently a Korean Dual Language Immersion Instructional Assistant at Jefferson Elementary School in the Anaheim Elementary School District. She received her Master of Education from National University in 2022. Kristyn holds a Doctor of Musical Arts in flute performance and is an active performer and teacher in Orange County.

Ms. Virginia Nguyen is a history teacher at Portola High School in Irvine, CA. In addition to being a teacher and district leader, Virginia facilitates workshops and advocates for equity and justice in education. A teacher for almost 20 years, she is committed to fostering school communities that center student voice, belonging, and empowerment.