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C100: State of Chinese American Survey 2024



WHAT: Unveiling The Findings: State of Chinese Americans Survey 2024

WHEN: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 | 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ET

WHERE: Online webinar WHO: Committee of 100

Speakers:

- **Dr. Nathan Kar Ming Chan**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Loyola Marymount University
- Alex Chew, Director of Client Services and Business Development, Amplify AAPI Lead, NORC at the University of Chicago
- Dr. Sam Collitt, Researcher and Data Scientist, Committee of 100
- Dr. Vivien Leung, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Santa Clara University
- Cindy Tsai, Interim President, Committee of 100

DESCRIPTION: Chinese Americans constitute about 5.5 million people and are the largest share of the Asian American population. Despite this fast-growing electorate, Chinese Americans have faced a surge in racism in everyday life, been historically underrepresented in politics and policy, and the specific policy preferences and political behaviors of those same

Chinese Americans are unknown. So what are the political and policy preferences of Chinese Americans? What are Chinese Americans' feelings toward the current relationship between the U.S. and China? And to what extent do Chinese Americans still experience racial discrimination?

REGISTRATION: https://bit.ly/46WXiT7

Asian American Political Growth on Display at DNC



According to *Evanston Now* on August 21, 2024, the Chicago area's Asian population is growing. And so is the political clout of Chinese Americans, Indian Americans, Vietnamese Americans and others with family or personal roots in Asia.

That was the message during the Democratic Convention at an event in Chicago's growing Chinatown, sponsored by Cook County Commissioner **Josina Morita**, the first Asian American woman on that governing body. Morita, whose district includes Evanston, is the founder of the Asian American Caucus for Illinois state and county elected officials. That group, Morita said, has gone from "low to grow." Zero members eight years ago, now there are 17.

Another 100-plus hold local offices (school board, city council) not covered by the caucus. The session was definitely a shout-out to people who are "firsts."

- First Asian American elected to the Illinois State Legislature, Rep. **Theresa Mah** (Chicago).
- First Indian American elected to the State Senate, **Ram Villivalam** (parts of Chicago and Cook County including Skokie).
- First Muslim American woman elected to the Legislature, Rep. **Nabella Syed** (Palatine, Schaumburg, and other nearby suburbs).
- And, **Tammy Duckworth**, the first Asian American to represent Illinois in the U.S. House of Representatives, and now the U.S. Senate.

And if this was a day of firsts, it was also a day of a "second" who brought about a "first."

Rep. **Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz**, (D-Glenview), whose district incorporates part of Evanston, was the lead sponsor of the TEAACH Act (Teaching Equitable Asian American History), which required instruction in Asian-American history in Illinois schools. It passed in 2021. Gong-Gershowitz was the second Asian-American elected to the State House, and the TEAACH Act made Illinois the first state in the nation to mandate Asian American history in the curriculum.

Asian American candidates have to be ready to face stereotyping and negative campaigning. Example #1 was **Donald Trump**'s saying he wasn't sure whether **Kamala Harris** was presenting herself as Black, or as Indian. The fact is, of course, that Harris' father was Black, her mother was from India, and so she's both.

After **Joe Biden** was elected, Senator Duckworth said, he at first failed to name anyone of Asian descent to his cabinet. Senator Duckworth added that she "had to boycott my president," telling the White House "no more white guys" get her backing "until you name somebody" of Asian heritage to the cabinet.

Read the Evanston Now report: https://bit.ly/3Xhxj5t

Earlier on August 13, 2024, *New York Times* reported on "Asian American Voters Could Be Key Swing Voters of 2024." The diverse group is turning out in record numbers. Neither party can take its support for granted. Read the *New York Times* report: https://nyti.ms/3T3sVVh

Quincy Institute: A Program for Progressive China Policy







A Program for Progressive China Policy

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On July 30, 2024, the Quincy Institute, in partnership with the Institute for Policy Studies and Justice is Global, published a brief on "A Program for Progressive China Policy."

According to the brief, the United States is on a path toward conflict with China, creating a dilemma for progressives. While there are reasons to oppose China's autocratic government and human rights abuses, a confrontational approach could undermine progressive goals globally and domestically.

The alternative — fostering cooperation between the two powers — would not only prevent great power violence but also enhance human rights, workers' power, global development, and a just climate transition in both countries and around the world.

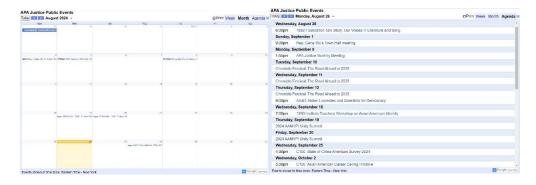
It is crucial that progressives gain clarity on the key tensions in U.S.—China relations, bolster their understanding of what a progressive response would be, and increase their urgency on moving the U.S. and China off the current trajectory toward serious conflict. The research brief provides an overview of key facets in the relationship and recommendations for how progressives can orient on each:

- Jobs and the economy
- Trade, technology, industrial policy
- Military and security
- Human rights and democracy
- Climate change and public health

Tori Bateman, Director of Advocacy at Quincy Institute, and **Sandy Shan**, Director at Justice Is Global, have accepted our invitation to speak at the APA Justice monthly meeting to discuss the brief on September 9, 2024. Read the brief: https://bit.ly/3T2XJVY

News and Activities for the Communities

1. APA Justice Community Calendar



Upcoming Events:

2024/08/28 1882 Foundation Talk Story: Our Voices in Literature and Song 2024/09/01 Rep. Gene Wu's Town Hall Meeting

2024/09/09 APA Justice Monthly Meeting

2024/09/10-12 Chronicle Festival: The Road Ahead to 2035

2024/09/12 AA4D: Nobel Laureates and Scientists for Democracy

2024/09/19 1990 Teachers Workshop: Asian American Identity

2024/09/19-20 AANHPI Unity Summit

2024/09/25 C100: State of Chinese American Survey 2024 2024/10/02 C100: Asian American Career Ceiling Initiative

The Community Calendar has moved. Visit https://bit.ly/3XD61qV for event details.

2. Chronicle Festival: The Road Ahead to 2035

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WHAT: Chronicle Festival: The Road Ahead to 2035

WHEN: September 10-12, 2024 WHERE: A Virtual Ideas Summit

HOST: The Chronicle of Higher Education

DESCRIPTION:

- Day 1. The Students of 2035. A declining traditional-age student population. Rising mental-health concerns. A challenging classroom environment. Colleges face a variety of issues that will shape how they enroll, educate, and support students during the next decade. The first day of Chronicle Festival will explore ways to adapt, hearing from authors, professors, and college leaders.
- 2. **Higher Ed of 2035.** How should higher ed change to serve the America of 2035, to better help students support a fragile democracy and a society reshaped by emerging technologies? During Day 2 of the Festival, Chronicle journalists will talk with students, an interfaith leader, a former U.S. Secretary of Education, and others about these issues.
- 3. The Work Force of 2035. What does it take for colleges to produce graduates for the work force of tomorrow? And how does it operate in a landscape with a growing number of viable and valuable postsecondary opportunities? Day 3 of Chronicle Festival will include a variety of voices weighing in on these questions.

REGISTRATION: https://bit.ly/3ZdNCSv

3. 1990 Institute Teachers Workshop on Asian American Identity



WHAT: Teachers Workshop on Asian American Identity: Immigration History and

Transgenerational Impact

WHEN: Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 4:00-5:30 pm PT / 7:00- 8:30 pm ET

WHERE: Online webinar HOST: 1990 Institute

Speakers:

- Hua-Yu Sebastian Cherng, Vice Dean for Research and Equity, New York University
- Madeline Hsu, Professor of History, University of Maryland
- Vivian Louie, Professor of Urban Policy and Planning at Hunter College

DESCRIPTION: This workshop is designed to provide educators with valuable insights into Asian American identity, exploring the historical context of immigration and its lasting effects on culture and identity across generations. The goal is to equip teachers with the knowledge and resources they need to enrich their classrooms and foster a deeper understanding of Asian American experiences.

REGISTRATION: https://bit.ly/3XeFn6V

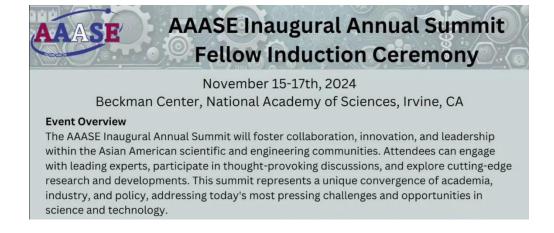
4. Orientation to Legal Research Webinar Series



The Law Library of Congress provides authoritative legal research, reference and instruction services, and access to an unrivaled collection of U.S., foreign, comparative, and international law. It has amassed the world's largest collection of law books and other legal resources from all countries, now comprising more than 2.9 million items. It also offers the Orientation to Legal Research Series of webinars designed to give a basic introduction to legal sources and research techniques. These orientations are taught by legal reference librarians and typically offered once a month on a rotating basis. On September 5, 2024, a webinar will provide an overview of U.S. statutory and legislative research, including information about how to find and use the U.S. Code, the U.S. Statutes at Large, and U.S. federal bills and resolutions. Register for the webinar: https://bit.ly/3MhLelN. Learn more about the Law Library of

Congress: https://bit.ly/3SZEhtk

4. AAASE Inaugural Annual Summit



WHAT: Inaugural Annual Summit **WHEN**: November 15-17, 2024

WHERE: Beckman Center, National Academy of Sciences, Irvine, CA

HOST: Asian American Academy of Science and Technology

DESCRIPTION: The AAASE Inaugural Annual Summit will foster collaboration, innovation, and leadership within the Asian American scientific and engineering communities. Attendees can engage with leading experts, participate in thought-provoking discussions, and explore cutting-edge research and developments. This summit represents a unique convergence of academia, industry, and policy, addressing today's most pressing challenges and opportunities in science and technology.

REGISTRATION: https://bit.ly/3XfsFVu

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