

### Asian American Studies Course Offerings at a Glance (2009-2010)

Course Number	Course title	Meeting time	Instructor	Credit	Fulfills College Requirements
<b>Summer 2009</b>					
ENG L374 Ethnic American Literature	An Oriental Among Us: Contemporary Asian American Literature	MTWRF, 8:55 – 10:10 a.m.	Samrat Upadhyay	3	A&H, CSA
<b>Fall 2009</b>					
AAST A 101 Introduction to Asian American Studies		MWF 9:05-9:55 a.m.	Debra Dean	3	S&H
HIST A205 Asian American History		TR 4-5:15 p.m.	Ellen Wu	3	S&H, CSA
<b>Spring 2010</b>					
POLS Y200 Contemporary Political Problems	Asian American Politics Since the 1960s	tba	Yvette Alex-Assensoh	3	S&H
AAST A300 Topics in Asian American Studies	Social Problems in the Health and Wellbeing of Asian America	tba	Fernando Ona	3	S&H
SOC S342 Asian American Communities and Identities		tba	Jennifer Lee	3	S&H, CSA

**Note:** Kelley School of Business students can use the attached courses toward their 27 hour general education requirement. The Kelley School of Business defaults to the designation by the College for A&H, S&H, etc. Since these all have distribution designations students would be able to use them as noted.

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### **Summer, 2009**

**ENG L374 Ethnic American Literature (3 cr.) A & H, CSA** [Topic: An Oriental Among Us: Contemporary Asian American Literature]

Instructor: Samrat Upadhyay; MTWRF 8:55-10:10 a.m.

Through an exciting range of short stories, poems, novels, essays, and film, we will explore ways in which notions of ethnic identities are formulated, challenged, or confirmed by various Asian American communities, and individuals within those communities. We will also examine the importance of larger—sometimes global—history and politics that have a direct bearing on the concerns of the authors we study.

### **Fall 2009**

**AAST A101 Introduction to Asian American Studies (3 cr.) S & H**

Instructor Debra Dean; MWF 9:05-9:55.m.

In this course we will study Asian American history from the nineteenth century through the present; in the process, we will also explore the diversity of groups brought under the umbrella of “Asian American.” Readings covering a series of major events in the collective experience of Asian immigrants and their American-born descendants will be supplemented with the more personal accounts that are offered through poetry, fiction, personal essays, and/or film. These texts that will touch on “Gold Mountain” and Manzanar, Yoko Ono and Vincent Chin, may serve as springboards into discussions not only about immigration, exclusion, and racial stereotyping, but also about the mainstreaming of things Asian, like sushi and curry, and the cultural/familial expectations and conflicts a “hyphenated American” must often negotiate. Students will be given opportunities, both individually and in groups, to explore these issues within the broader context of American culture and to trace the line from this aspect of our shared past into the present.

**HIST A205 Asian American History (3 cr.) S & H, CSA**

Instructor: Ellen Wu, TR 4-5:15 pm

Examines the history of Asian migration to the United States from the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century to the present as part of the making of a “Pacific World.” Major themes to be explored include community formation, race, citizenship, nation, and transnationalism

### **Spring 2010**

**POLS Y200 Contemporary Political Problems** [Topic: Asian American Politics Since the 1960s (3 cr.) S & H ]

Instructor: Yvette Alex-Assensoh, meeting time tba

This course is devoted to an understanding of the political behavior of Chinese, Japanese, Southeast Asian, Vietnamese and Korean Americans. Readings and discussions focus on issues of political incorporation, voting behavior, political organizations, inter-ethnic alliances, elected officials, inter-racial conflicts, coalitions and court cases involving immigration, education and affirmative action.

**AAST A300 Topics in Asian American Studies** [Topic: Social Problems in the Health and Wellbeing of Asian America (3 cr.) S & H ]

Instructor: Fernando Ona; meeting time tba

This course will critically examine the nature and characteristics of social problems in health and wellbeing that Asian Americans experience, and engage with theoretical frameworks for understanding such social problems. The course adopts a case study approach and incorporates a spring-break service-learning module as the basis of a research project.

**SOC S342 Asian American Communities and Identities (3 cr.) S & H, CSA**

Instructor: Jennifer Lee; meeting time tba

This course takes a sociological approach to examining the communities, cultures, and identities of Asians in the United States. It situates Asian American experiences within broader social and historical contexts in order to address questions about who is viewed as American and how Asian Americans establish and maintain their ethnic identities.