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Summary	Assistant Professor with research focus on race, immigration, and American politics using survey, interview, and experimental methods	
Academic Employment	<i>Incoming Assistant Professor</i> Department of Political Science, Rice University	Start date: July 2024 Houston, TX
	<i>Assistant Professor</i> Department of Political Science, University of Houston Program in India Studies (Faculty Affiliate)	2021 - present Houston, TX
	<i>Postdoctoral Fellow</i> Center for the Study of Ethnicity, Race & Immigration University of Pennsylvania	2019 - 2020 Philadelphia, PA
Affiliations	<i>Visiting Research Collaborator</i> Department of Politics, Princeton University	2019 - 2021 Princeton, NJ
Education	<i>Ph.D., Politics</i> Department of Politics, Princeton University • Committee: Tali Mendelberg; Dara Strolovitch; Martin Gilens; Andrew Guess	September, 2019 Princeton, NJ
	<i>M.A., Politics</i> Department of Politics, Princeton University	September, 2016 Princeton, NJ
	<i>B.A., Political Science</i> University of Michigan • Graduated with Highest Distinction (Top 3% of class) • Thesis “Now You Are Speaking My Language: Priming Effects of Spanish-Language Political Advertising” (Highest Honors. Advisor: Nicholas Valentino.)	May, 2014 Ann Arbor, MI
Book project	“From Political Learning to Partisan Leanings: The Social Roots of Asian American Partisanship.” (<i>Under review. Book Workshop held in June 2023.</i>) This book explains one of the most transformative but puzzling trends in contemporary American politics, the increasingly strong support for the Democratic Party among Asian Americans. It does so by analyzing how Asian Americans — the fastest growing racial group in the U.S. — learn about American politics and develop partisan views. The central argument is that Asian Americans acquire partisan views through the social transmission of political cues from peers in local contexts. The empirical chapters draw on surveys, in-depth interviews, and original experiments. By explaining the puzzle of Asian Americans’ partisan preferences and identifying a new pathway of political learning among minority groups, the book has	

important implications for understanding political behavior in immigrant communities and the future of American electoral politics.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Raychaudhuri, Tanika, Tali Mendelberg, & Anne McDonough. 2023. “The Political Effects of Opioid Addiction Frames” *The Journal of Politics* 85(1): 166-177.
- Chan, Stephanie, Tanika Raychaudhuri, and Ali Valenzuela. 2023. “Perceived Local Population Dynamics and Immigration Policy Views” *American Politics Research* 51(3): 397-413.
 - Received APSA Best Poster Award, 2021
- Chan, Nathan, Chinbo Chong & Tanika Raychaudhuri. 2021. “New Directions in Asian American Politics: Political Behavior, Part II” *PS: Political Science & Politics* 54(2): 244-248.
- Mendelberg, Tali, Vittorio Merola, Tanika Raychaudhuri, & Adam Thal. 2021. “When Poor Students Attend a Rich School” *Perspectives on Politics* 19(3): 807-823.
- Raychaudhuri, Tanika, & Andrew Proctor. 2021. “(Dis)enfranchised Citizens: Informational Messaging and Puerto Rican Political Mobilization” *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 9 (5): 1030-1050.
- Raychaudhuri, Tanika. 2020. “Socializing Democrats: Examining Asian American Vote Choice with Evidence from a National Survey” *Electoral Studies* 63: 102-114.
- Raychaudhuri, Tanika. 2018. “The Social Roots of Asian American Partisan Attitudes” *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 6(3): 389-410.
 - Re-printed in *Asian Pacific American Politics: Celebrating the Scholarly Legacy of Don T. Nakanishi*. 2020. Eds. Andrew Aoki and Pei-te Lien. Routledge.

Book Reviews

- Raychaudhuri, Tanika. 2023. “Review of *Contesting the Last Frontier: Race, Gender, Ethnicity, and Political Representation of Asian Americans* by Pei-te Lien and Nicole Filler. New York: Oxford University Press, 2022.” *Perspectives on Politics* 21(4): 1474-1475.

Other Publications

- “Encouraging Americans to think about the immigrants in their own communities can increase their support for more permissive policies” 2023. (w. Stephanie Chan) Public-facing post for *LSE Phelan United States Centre Blog*
- “Do media frames of the opioid epidemic shape public support for treatment?” 2022. Public-facing post for *The Journal of Politics Blog*

Works in progress

- “Shared Space and Civic Engagement: Block Parties and Voter Turnout in Philadelphia” *with Michael Jones-Correa & Joshua Davidson. (Accept w. minor revision, Urban Affairs Review)*
- “Race, Diversity, and the Development of Political Attitudes on College Campuses” *with Nathan Chan (Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Politics)*
 - MPSA Lucius Barker Paper Award for Best Paper in REP, 2024
- “Immigration and Incorporation: Asian American Representation in State Legislatures from 1970 to 2020” *with Michael Kistner. (Under Review)*
- “Racial Stereotypes and Asian American Partisan Identification” *with Chinbo Chong*
 - Best Paper Award, APSA Race, Ethnicity, and Politics, 2021

- “Conceptualizing Racial Relevance: A Comprehensive Test of How Group Stereotypes and Policy Goals Racialize Issues” *with Scott Clifford & Marques Zárate*
- “Political Learning at Work: Asian Americans in the Tech Sector” *with Claire Ma*
- “Still Pitied but not Entitled: Crisis, Non-Crisis, and Public Support for State Intervention to Address Women’s Unemployment” *with Dara Strolovitch & Andrew Proctor*

Awards and Honors

- MPSA Lucius Barker Award for Best Paper in REP (w. N. Chan) 2024
- Junior Faculty Mentor of the Year Award, University of Houston PSGSA 2023
- APSA Best Paper Award, Race, Ethnicity, and Politics (w. C. Chong) 2021
- APSA Best Poster Award (w. S. Chan and A. Valenzuela) 2021
- American Political Science Association Minority Fellowship 2016-2017
- Phi Beta Kappa 2013
- James B. Angell Scholar, University of Michigan 2012-2014

Fellowships and Grants

- British Academy Knowledge Frontiers: International Interdisciplinary Research Project (PI: Neema Begum; Award total: £298,908.60) 2024-2026
- APSA MSI Virtual Book Workshop Grant 2023
- Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences Research Grant 2020
- Princeton University Graduate Fellowship 2014 - 2019
- Lee Ann Fuji Travel Grant, American Political Science Association 2019
- Bobst Center, Princeton Program on Inequality Research Grant (\$5,000) 2019
- Multi-Center Graduate Student Competitive Dissertation Award (\$10,000) 2018
- Conference Travel Grant, APSA Minority Fellowship Program 2018
- Conference Travel Grant, Princeton Program in American Studies 2018
- Conference Travel Grant, Princeton Politics Stafford Conference Fund 2016-2018
- Pilot Grant, Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science (\$1,000) 2015
- Dissertation Grant, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics (\$5,000) 2017
- Eric Pai Asian American Studies Student Research Grant (\$2,900) 2017

Invited Talks

- “American Politics Workshop” Northwestern University 2024
- “Research Workshop in American Politics” UC Berkeley 2024
- “Politics of Immigrant and Intergroup Experiences Conference” Vanderbilt 2023
- “5th Annual Global Communications Summit” University of Houston 2023
- “Representation and Identity Politics Workshop” Rice University 2023
- “Understanding Politics” Speaker Series. UC Merced. 2022
- Discussant, UH Race and Social Justice Lecture “Whose Vote Counts?” 2021
- Virtual AAPI Politics Roundtable. Politics, Groups, & Identities 2021
- American Politics Workshop. Indiana University 2021
- New Scholar Series in American Politics. Middlebury College 2021
- Department of Government. Dartmouth College 2021
- Princeton College Democrats. Princeton University 2021
- Department of Political Science. Rutgers University 2019

- American Politics Speaker Series. University of Pennsylvania 2019
 - Asian Pacific American Caucus 20th Celebration. APSA 2019
 - Andrea Mitchell Center Graduate Workshop. University of Pennsylvania 2018
- Media Coverage and Contributions**
- Contributed to *The Science of Politics* episode “How race makes us less punitive on opioid policy” for the Niskanen Center (March 21, 2024)
 - Contributed to *Houston Matters* episode “HISD Teacher Pay,” *Houston Public Media (NPR)* (March 7, 2024)
 - Quoted in *Houston Public Media (NPR)* article “Asian American and Pacific Islander voters are preparing to sue Texas for alleged discrimination in last year’s redistricting” (August 30, 2022)
 - Research featured in *New York Times* article “Democrats Still Don’t Understand Asian American Voters” (November 15, 2021)
 - Research featured in *Political Science Today* “APSA Announces New Award for Best Research Poster at the Annual Meeting” (June 14, 2021)
 - Research featured in *Washington Post* article “How to un-model a minority: micro-syllabus on Asian American politics” (April 28, 2021)
 - Research featured in *Scroll.in* article “Asian immigrants ought to be ideal Republican voters, so what makes them lean Democratic?” (October 29, 2020)
- Selected Conference Presentations**
- “Conceptualizing Racial Relevance: How Group Stereotypes and Policy Goals Racialize Issues”
 - Western Political Science Association (WPSA). Annual Meeting. 2024
 - “Immigration and Incorporation: Asian American Representation in State Legislatures”
 - American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2023
 - “Race, Diversity, and The Development of Political Attitudes on College Campuses”
 - Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Annual Meeting. 2023
 - “The Effects of Peer Political Endorsements on Asian Americans’ Partisan Views”
 - American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2022
 - “Shared Space, Social Capital, and Civic Engagement: Block Parties and Voter Turnout in Philadelphia”
 - American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2021
 - “Group-based Belief Systems about the Racial Order: Racial Stereotypes and Asian American Partisan Identification”
 - American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2020
 - Western Political Science Association (WPSA). Annual Meeting. 2021
 - “The Political Effects of Opioid Addiction Frames”
 - American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2020
 - Western Political Science Association (WPSA). Annual Meeting. 2020
 - “(Dis)enfranchised Citizens: Informational Messaging and Puerto Rican Mobilization”
 - Symposium on the Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity (SPIRE). 2018

“The Social Roots of Asian American Partisan Political Attitudes”
 • Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Annual Meeting. 2018

“Socializing Democrats: Examining Asian American Vote Choice with National Surveys”
 • American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2017

Teaching & Advising

- Graduate advising: Aparajita Dutta (Dissertation committee, UH); Lucia Lopez (Dissertation prospectus committee, UH); Silky Malik (Dissertation prospectus committee, UH); Emily Thoman (External dissertation committee member, Brandeis); Olabode Shadare (Dissertation committee, UH)
- Instructor “Race and Ethnic Politics Graduate Seminar” University of Houston: Fall 2022 (Student eval: 4.9/5.0)
- Instructor “Race, Gender, and Ethnic Politics” University of Houston: Fall 2021; Spring 2022; Spring 2023; Fall 2023 (Student eval: 4.7/5.0)
- Instructor “Data, Arguments, and Politics” University of Houston: Fall 2022; Spring 2023; Fall 2023 (Student eval: 4.6/5.0)
- Instructor “Selected Topics in American Government: Political Views and Civic Engagement” University of Houston: Spring 2022. (Student eval: 4.9/5.0)
- Instructor “American Political Behavior,” UPenn Spring 2020. (Student eval: 5.0/5.0)

Service Activities

- Asian Pacific American Mini-conference Co-Chair (WPSA) 2024
- Don T. Nakanishi Award Committee (WPSA) 2024
- Graduate Committee (Political Science Dept.), University of Houston 2023-
- Undergraduate Committee (Political Science Dept.), University of Houston 2022-2023
- Technology Committee (Political Science Dept.), University of Houston 2021-2022
- Secretary of Asian Pacific American Caucus (APSA) 2019 - 2021
- Princeton University Graduate Mentoring Award Committee 2019
- Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science: Event Coordinator 2015 - 2017
- Peer Reviewer: *American Politics Research*; *American Political Science Review*; *Cambridge University Press*; *Journal of Experimental Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Race and Ethnic Politics*; *Politics, Groups, and Identities*; *Public Opinion Quarterly*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Political Behavior*; *Political Communication*; *Race and Social Problems*; *Social Forces*; *Social Science Quarterly*; *Time-sharing Experiments in the Social Sciences*; *W.W. Norton and Company*

Other Employment

- Intern, Office of U.S. Senator Frank Lautenberg, Washington DC 2013
- Intern, Office of U.S. Representative Rush Holt, Washington DC & NJ 2011-2012

References

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