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Summary Assistant Professor of American Politics with research focus on race and immigration using survey, interview, and experimental methods

Academic Appointments *Assistant Professor* 2021 - present
Department of Political Science, University of Houston Houston, TX

Postdoctoral Fellow 2019 - 2020
Center for the Study of Ethnicity, Race & Immigration Philadelphia, PA
University of Pennsylvania

Affiliations *Visiting Research Collaborator* 2019 - 2021
Department of Politics, Princeton University Princeton, NJ

Education *Ph.D., Politics* September, 2019
Princeton University Princeton, NJ

- Subfields: American Politics (Primary field); Comparative Politics; Empirical Methods
- Dissertation Committee: Tali Mendelberg (Chair); Dara Strolovitch; Martin Gilens; Andrew Guess

M.A., Politics, (GPA: 3.81/4.00) September, 2016
Princeton University Princeton, NJ

B.A., Political Science (GPA: 3.98/4.00) May, 2014
University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI

- Graduated with Highest Distinction (Top 3% of class)
- Thesis “Now You Are Speaking My Language: Priming Effects of Spanish-Language Political Advertising on U.S. Hispanic Voters” (Highest Honors. Advisor: Nicholas Valentino.)

Book project “From Political Learning to Partisan Leanings: The Social Roots of Asian American Partisanship”

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

- Chan, Stephanie, Tanika Raychaudhuri, and Ali Valenzuela. Forthcoming. “Perceived Local Population Dynamics and Immigration Policy Views” *American Politics Research*
– Received APSA Best Poster Award, 2021
- Raychaudhuri, Tanika, Tali Mendelberg, & Anne McDonough. Forthcoming. “The Political Effects of Opioid Addiction Frames” *The Journal of Politics*.
- 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.

Works under Review

- “Group-based Belief Systems about the Racial Order: Racial Stereotypes and Asian American Partisan Identification” *w. Chinbo Chong (Under Review)*
– Received Best Paper Award, APSA Race, Ethnicity, and Politics, 2021
- “Shared Space and Civic Engagement: Block Parties and Voter Turnout in Philadelphia” *w. Michael Jones-Correa & Joshua Davidson. (Under Review)*

Works in Progress

- “The Effects of Peer Political Endorsements on Asian Americans’ Partisan Views”
- “The Political Consequences of Crisis Frames: Gender and Unemployment.” *with Dara Strolovitch & Andrew Proctor*
- “Political Socialization in the Workplace: Asian Americans in the Tech Sector” *with Claire Ma*
- “Race, diversity, and the development of political attitudes on college campuses” *with Nathan Chan*

Awards and Honors

- 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

Invited Talks	• “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. UPenn	2018	
Media Coverage and Contributions	• Quoted in <i>Houston Public Media (NPR)</i> 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 <i>New York Times</i> article “Democrats Still Don’t Understand Asian American Voters” (November 15, 2021)	
	• Research featured in <i>Political Science Today</i> “APSA Announces New Award for Best Research Poster at the Annual Meeting” (June 14, 2021)	
	• Research featured in <i>Washington Post</i> article “How to un-model a minority: micro-syllabus on Asian American politics” (April 28, 2021)	
	• Research featured in <i>Scroll.in</i> article “Asian immigrants ought to be ideal Republican voters, so what makes them lean Democratic?” (October 29, 2020)	
Selected Conference Presentations	“The Effects of Peer Political Endorsements on Asian Americans’ Partisan Views”	
	• Midwest 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
	“Political Socialization in the Workplace: Asian Americans in the Tech Sector”	
	• American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting.	2021
	• PRIEC Workshop at the University of California Santa Barbara	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	
“The Causal Effects of Social Media Interactions on Immigrant Partisan Attitudes”		
• American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting.	2019	

- “The College Experience and Asian American Political Socialization”
 - PRIEC Workshop at University of Houston. 2018
 - American Political Science Association (APSA). Annual Meeting. 2018
- “(Dis)enfranchised Citizens: Informational Messaging and Puerto Rican Mobilization”
 - Symposium on the Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity (SPIRE). 2018
 - Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Annual Meeting. 2016
- “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
Interests &
Experiences**

- Teaching Interests: American Politics; Political Behavior; Race, Ethnicity, and Politics; Research Methods
- Instructor “Selected Topics in American Government: Political Views and Civic Engagement” University of Houston Spring 2022. (Student eval: 4.9/5.0)
- Instructor “Race, Gender, and Ethnic Politics” University of Houston Fall 2021; Spring 2022. (Student eval: 4.8/5.0)
- Instructor “American Political Behavior,” UPenn Spring 2020. (Student eval: 5.0/5.0)
- Head Assistant Instructor POL 327: “Mass Media, Social Media, and American Politics,” Princeton Fall 2017, Prof. Guess (Student eval: 4.9/5.0)
- Assistant Instructor POL 346: “Applied Quantitative Analysis,” Princeton Spring 2017, Prof. Wasow (Student eval: 4.5/5.0)
- Assistant Instructor POL 341: “Experimental Methods in Politics,” Princeton Fall 2016, Prof. Valenzuela (Student eval: 4.7/5.0)
- Research Consultant – Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science 2017- 2019
– *Provided individualized consultation on experimental design and analysis.*

**Fellowships and
Grants**

- 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

**Service
Activities**

- Undergraduate Committee (Political Science Dept.), University of Houston 2022-
- Technology Committee (Political Science Dept.), University of Houston 2021-22
- 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: *APR; APSR; Cambridge University Press; JREP; PGI; PRQ; Political Behavior; Political Communication; TESS*

**Technical
Skills**

- R, NVivo, Qualtrics, Latex, Knitr, and Beamer

References

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