

April 2021



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Meet Yu Luo, the Barnett Chair of Contemporary China Studies

The Asian Studies Program is pleased to announce the appointment of Yu Luo as the Suzanne Wilson Barnett Chair in Contemporary China Studies. Yu will join Puget Sound in Fall 2021. Click [here](#) to learn more about Yu.

As part of the SOAN Spring Discussion Series, Yu will discuss "Doing Fieldwork in Multi-Ethnic Southwest China: Positionality and Reflexivity of a Semi-Native Anthropologist." Click [here](#) for a description of the event.

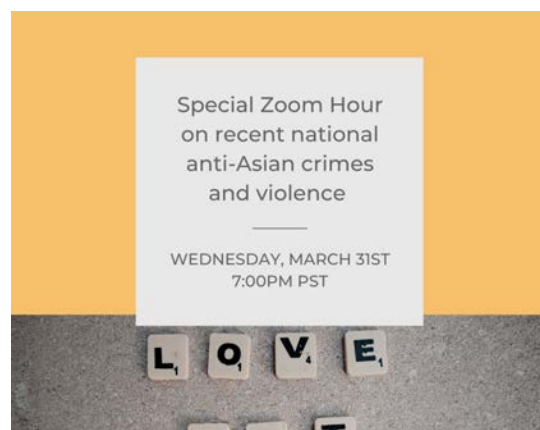
Date: April 8 @ 4pm.
Please [RSVP](#) to receive the Zoom link.



Special Zoom Hour on Recent National Anti-Asian Crimes and Violence

March 31, 7:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

This is a space for us in the program to share comments and resources, as well as to support each other and find ways to bring social justice



and help our community move forward.

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Alumni Series: Selina Tran '12

April 2, 5:00-6:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Selina Tran is currently a Senior Manager of Creative and Digital Strategies at the [National Women's Law Center](#).

Prior to joining the center in 2016, Selina was working in Vietnam where she helped establish a community center called The Lab in 2015 and worked as a fellow with VIA (Volunteers in Asia) from 2014-2015.

Before working abroad, Selina was a program associate at [Global Ties U.S.](#) in Washington, DC.

Selina received a Bachelor of Arts in Politics & Government and Chinese from the University of Puget Sound in 2012.

Image source: @UPSchinese



VOTE for 2021 Chinese Program Sticker Design

Voting Closes April 5, Midnight PST
[Click Here to Vote](#)

We received six designs from Puget Sound students to participate in this year's contest. The design that receives the highest vote will be used to produce the 2021 UPS Chinese Program sticker, and will be available for distribution to the entire campus community in April/May 2021.

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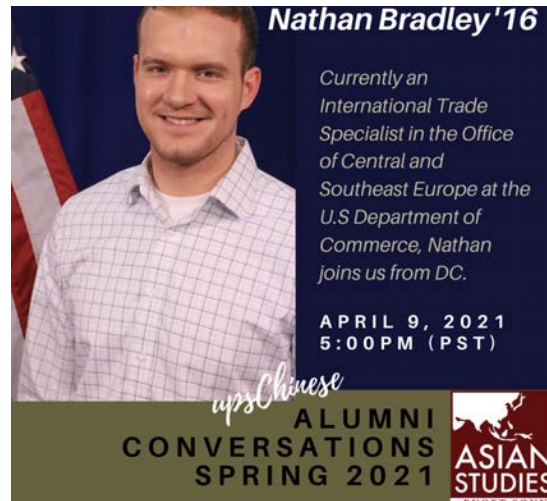
Alumni Series: Nathan Bradley '16

April 9th, 5:00-6:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Nathan Bradley is an International Trade Specialist in the Office of Central and Southeast Europe at the U.S Department of Commerce. In the role, Nathan works on commercial diplomacy issues and helps manage the bilateral trade relationship for Turkey and the Western Balkans, as well as covering policy developments in the EU for the European Green Deal.

He graduated from the University of Puget Sound with a B.A in Economics & Chinese and also completed an M.A in International Studies at the [Hopkins-Nanjing Center](#), a division of Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). Nathan is a Mandarin speaker and was awarded an [NSEP Boren Scholarship](#) to study in Shanghai, a [Critical Language Scholarship](#) (CLS) to study in Dalian, as well as a [Boren Fellowship](#) to study in Nanjing. He is based in Washington D.C. and can usually be found on one of the city's many restaurants and museums.

Image source: @UPSchinese



Asian Studies Kahoot Game Night

April 16th, 5:45-6:45 PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Join Asian Studies for an evening of Kahoot games! Winners and participants will be awarded with lots of fun, cultural knowledge, and authentic snacks as prizes.

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Japanese Movie Series, #3: Parks



April 22nd, 6:00-8:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Jun meets a girl named Haru who is searching for her deceased father's girlfriend (Sachiko). Later, they meet Sachiko's grandson, Tokio, and discover that Sachiko has also passed away. While going through Sachiko's things, they find an unfinished tape of a love song. Together, they work to uncover the truth of the past and to finish the song.

Image source: Parks Film



Japanese Language and Culture Program Honors Presentation

April 23rd, 7:00-8:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Join teachers and students for a night celebrating the Japanese Program's graduating seniors that have achieved honors.

Image source: Connie H.



Chinese Language and Culture Program Honors Presentation

April 30th, 5:00-6:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)

Celebrating the achievements of our graduating seniors and outstanding language students at each level! Join us and give everyone a pat on the back for completing a tough semester and a long school year! Family and friends are all welcome.

Image source: @UPSchinese



Japanese Conversation Hour
「お茶の時間」



**Recurring Event, Every Friday
Begins January 29, 4:00-5:00PM PST
Virtual Event, [Zoom](#)**

Every Friday, Japanese majors, minors, and friends meet via Zoom for a Japanese conversation hour from 4 to 5PM. Even if you are not confident enough to speak, feel free to drop by and listen! A variety of topics related to Japanese culture, our daily lives, and stories will be shared. This is a fun, judgement-free environment, so don't be afraid to participate.

There will occasionally be activities such as watching movies, folding origami, or learning recipes together.

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Follow the Asian Studies Instagram for more frequent updates regarding events. Asian Studies faculty members, Chinese and Japanese majors and minors, and Asian Studies minors will also be featured.

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