ASA 2: Contemporary Issues of Asian Americans
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This course will introduce you to the various facets of Asian American life in all of its complexity and contradictions. ASA 2 will examine the intersections of individual biographies and society. That is, the course will situate people’s lives and experiences within the context of broader social structures. Professor Rodriguez will help you to recognize that how people live, work, play, and love is not entirely a consequence of their unique choices and preferences, but crucially shaped by the economic, political and culture system in which we are situated. In addition, the course will pay attention to how structures of inequality like racism, sexism, classism and heterosexism within societies like the United States impact the kinds of homes, jobs, forms of leisure and partners we are able to have. Finally, ASA 2 will introduce you to the exciting research and teaching being done in the Department of Asian American Studies and will illustrate the ways Asian American Studies can enhance your educational experience at UC Davis no matter what your chosen course of study may be.

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