

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER STUDIES (APIS)

APIS 1 Introduction to Asian American Studies

3 Units (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)

Lecture: 54

This course examines how U.S. institutions ideologically constructed the category of Asian-ness and materially engaged with Asian peoples within the United States. Ethnic Studies theory will be applied to describe critical events in Asian American histories, cultures, and intellectual traditions including an examination of how “Asian” communities interact with each other and the other three historically defined racialized core groups (Native Americans, Latinx Americans, and African Americans). This includes a focus on topics ranging from self-determination to imperialism in a move toward building a just and equitable society.