Asian American Resource Book
2017 - 2018

Information on scholarships, UIC and Chicago resources, and student organizations.
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1969
Muslim Students Association is established.

’78
Vietnamese Student Association at Chicago Circle Campus is established.

’81
Indian Students Association is established.

’84
Korean Graduate Students Association is established.

’95
The national Asian Pacific American Medical Students Association conference is co-hosted on campus and a chapter of APAMSA is established at UIC.

’96
Indian Graduate Student Association is established. Forever Together in Christ changes its name to Asian American InterVarsity.

’97
Filipinos in Alliance is established.

’98
alpha Kappa Delta Phi, the first Asian American-interest sorority at UIC and in Illinois, is established.

’05
Delta Phi Omega and the Vietnamese Student Association are established.

’08
Korean American Student Association and Pakistani Student Organization are established. Kappa Pi Beta Fraternity, an Asian-interest Fraternity is established at UIC.

’09
Pre-Med Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association is formed.

’10
Theta Lambda Beta fraternity is established.
Organization of Asian Students, the first Pan-Asian Student Organization, is established.

Asian American Collegiate Organization (AACO) is established with political interests and begins to rally for an Asian American.

Hindu Student Council is established.

AACO and OAS merge to become Asian American Students in Alliance.

The Chinese Students and Scholars Friendship Association is established. The Coalition or Asian American Studies is established.

Chi Sigma Tau, the first Asian American-interest fraternity, is established.

CAAS becomes the Asian American Coalition Committee.

South Asian Medical Students Association is established.

Korean Americans United Serving Equality and UIC chapter of Liberty in North Korea are established.

Alpha Phi Gamma sorority is established.

Midwest Asian American Student Union Leadership Retreat hosted at UIC.

Midwest Association for Filipino Americans’ Midwest Filipino American summit hosted at UIC.

Delta Epsilon Psi Fraternity is established.
Timeline of UIC Asian American Milestones

Asian American Awareness Month

2000
The Coalition for Asian American Studies coordinates the first Asian American Awareness Week.

‘01
CAAS expands Asian American Awareness Week to a month.

‘03
The first campus-wide AAAMonth Planning Committee forms with representatives from student organizations and CCSAA.

‘05
AARCC begins to coordinate the AAAMonth Planning Committee.

Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Asian Americans

1996
Students Promoting Asian American Concerns, an ad-hoc committee of Asian American Students In Alliance, is formed to seek the creation of CCSAA.

‘99
Approval is granted and CCSAA is established. The committee consists of faculty, staff, and student volunteers who are appointed by the Chancellor annually to focus on campus issues relevant to Asian Americans.

‘04
CCSAA conducts the first comprehensive survey of UIC Asian American undergraduates, resulting in over 750 responses. In addition to campus reports, the survey research is presented at national conferences.

‘13
CCSAA organizes a town hall gathering to highlight various Asian American specific student, faculty, and staff issues.

‘15
CCSAA hosts two student forums to learn “What does it mean to be Asian/Asian American at UIC”.

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Asian American Resource and Cultural Center

1999
The Coalition for Asian American Studies (CAAS) begins lobbying for a resource and cultural center, an Asian American Studies program, and an academic support network.

1999
'T00
CAAS coordinates another campus rally to express demand for courses and support services for Asian American students.

'01
CAAS now known as the Asian American Coalition Committee submits a proposal for the Asian American Resource and Cultural Center. Interim Provost Charlotte Tate approves it. AACC publishes the first Asian American Student Resource Handbook, which it continues to do until 2004.

'03
Provost Michael Tanner re-initiates plans to move ahead with the Asian American Resource and Cultural Center. A search for a center director begins in the fall.

'05
Karen Su, Corinne Kodama, and Elvin Chan are hired as founding staff of AARCC.

'05
'A06
AARCC moves into Taft Hall and celebrates its grand opening in April. AARCC begins to publish the Resource Book, coordinates the Ice Cream Social during Welcome Week, and the first Asian American Student Leadership retreat.

'06
AARCC establishes the Student Organization Council and launches the Asian American Mentor Program.

'10
AARCC celebrates its fifth anniversary.

'11
Jeffrey Alton hired as the new Visiting Associate Director, Summer AAMP starts, and AARCC space is expanded.

'13
Jeffrey Alton’s Associate Director position is made permanent; founding Director, Karen Su, departs for a faculty position in ASAM and Director of the AANAPISI grant, and Liz Thomson (formerly of the Gender and Sexuality Center) is appointed Interim Director.

'15
Mark Martell becomes AARCC Director.
Timeline of UIC
Asian American Milestones

Global Asian Studies

Courses in Asian American literature, history, and sociology are offered and a Hindi/Urdu course starts as a result of student petitions.

The English Department hires Mark Chiang and Helen Jun as UIC’s first tenure-track Asian American faculty.

AARCC coordinates the ASAM Lecture Series.

Asian American Coalition Committee holds Speak Out in the quad to rally support for the establishment of an Asian American Studies Program.

AARCC coordinates the first ASAM Expo, an academic fair featuring student research projects in Asian American Studies.

Introduction to Asian American Studies offered for the first time.

Guevarra becomes director of the ASAM program. ASAM Student Advisory Board formed.

Nadine Naber joins UIC through the Chancellor’s Diaspora Cluster Initiative as a tenured 25% appointment in ASAM (75% appointment in Gender and Women Studies). No authorization for tenure track faculty hire in ASAM for 2014.

The ASAM Student Advisory Board and the Arab and Muslim American Community Network hold a student-led demonstration in support of the Cluster Initiative and protest the cancellation of searches.
AARCC establishes the Asian American Studies Advisory Council, made up of faculty, graduate, and undergraduate students to coordinate activities in support of Asian American Studies.

ASAM becomes the official rubric to identify Asian American Studies courses in Timetable. Two additional tenure-track faculty are hired to teach Asian American Studies: Anna Guevarra, Assistant Professor in Sociology, and Eric Tang, Assistant Professor in African American Studies.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences establishes an official Asian American Studies Faculty Advisory Committee and appoints Kevin Kumashiro as the first ASAM Coordinator.

Mark Chiang serves as ASAM Coordinator. ASAM sets up office in 809 University Hall. Proposal to establish the ASAM program is submitted. Two faculty (one senior and one junior) searches suspended due to budget crisis. No authorization for tenure track faculty hire in ASAM.

ASAM Minor and program are officially established. Mark Chiang becomes first director with a joint appointment in ASAM and English. Kevin Kumashiro joins ASAM with a 100% appointment. No authorization for tenure track faculty hire in ASAM.

Anna Guevarra joins ASAM with a 100% faculty appointment. No authorization for tenure track faculty hire in ASAM.

Lorenzo Perillo joins UIC through the Chancellor’s Racialized Body Cluster Initiative as a tenure track 100% appointment in ASAM.

Asian American Studies and Asian Studies merge to create Global Asian Studies.
Timeline of UIC Asian American Milestones

AANAPISI

2008
AARCC successfully acquires eligibility for UIC to be an Asian American and Native American Serving Institution and coordinates the first application for the AANAPISI grant.

’10
AARCC, ASAM, and the Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy successfully gain the first AANAPISI grant in the Midwest for $1.9 million. The Office of Social Science Research, ASAM, and the AARCC launch AANAPISI (Part A) year-one initiatives.

’11
UIC successfully receives a second AANAPISI grant (Part F) for $2 million. UIC is one of two institutions nationwide to hold both Part A and Part F AANAPISI grants.

’13
Karen Su assumes the position of Project Director upon the departure of Kevin Kumashiro.

’15
The first AANAPISI grant (Part A) ends Sept. 30, 2015. Asian American Resource and Cultural Center, Global Asian Studies, and Office of Social Science Research successfully apply for and gain a second AANAPISI Part A grant for $1.5 million which runs from 2015-2020.
UIC successfully receives a second AANAPISI grant (Part F) for $2 million. UIC is one of two institutions nationwide to hold both Part A and Part F AANAPISI grants.
Asian American Resource & Cultural Center

About
AARCC opened in 2005 to support the needs of Asian Americans. Additionally, AARCC is dedicated to educating the campus about Asian Americans.

Mission
AARCC promotes the intellectual and personal growth of UIC students, staff, and faculty; advocates for greater access, equity, and inclusion of Asian Americans; and educates the UIC community about Asian Americans.

Vision
AARCC will be a national leader in promoting the greatest academic and personal success of Asian Americans in higher education.

Values
Community
Foster a safe climate that provides a sense of belonging and enhances relationships of individuals.

Empowerment
Support individuals in reaching their greatest potential.

Engagement
Actively encourage the community to have meaningful participation in programs, events, and organizations.

Respect
Acknowledge and honor the diverse values and identities of individuals and communities.

Support
AARCC staff can help you with any academic, personal, or cultural concerns.

We also provide consultation and training for the campus on issues, policies, and practices relevant to Asian Americans.

Additionally, AARCC professional staff have completed at least Safe Zone 101 (ally training), and two of the staff members sit on the UIC Undocumented Student Task Force.

Community Space
With our expanded space, we have computer workstations, a quiet study area, various Asian American magazines and books, and a small conference room.
Asian American Mentor Program (AAMP)
AAMP is designed to help new students get connected to the UIC community. New students learn about campus resources, gain skills for college success and develop knowledge about Asian American issues and identity. Peer mentors and new students meet weekly to socialize and build community. AARCC offers Summer AAMP for Summer College students and Fall AAMP for all first-year and new transfer students.

Events and Activities
AARCC hosts speakers and performers to address issues related to Asian Americans. The center also coordinates workshops on a variety of topics. Past topics include getting along with parents, Asian American identity, generational differences, and career exploration.

Student Organizations and Leadership
AARCC works closely with Asian American student organizations at UIC through advising, funding, and support for leadership conferences. AARCC also provides year-round coordination of the Asian Student Organization Council as well as plans the Leadership Retreat each August.

Community Service
AARCC provides information and organizes programs for campus members to learn about, volunteer for, or participate in service activities with various Asian American community organizations within Chicago.

Asian American Awareness Month
April is AAAMonth at UIC, which is when AARCC, student organizations, and other campus groups sponsor a wide variety of activities to celebrate our heritage. If you are interested in helping, join the AAAMonth Planning Committee in the Fall.
Dr. Mark R. Martell is the Director of the UIC Asian American Resource and Cultural Center. He began his career in higher education, in 2000, at UIC Campus Housing. After, he worked for Semester at Sea and for Inspiration Corporation. In 2005, he returned to UIC to work at the Student Employment Office and recently at the Office of Career Services. In the past, he has served as Co-Chair for the Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Asian Americans and has served on various campus organizations including AARCC’s Advisory Board. In addition to participating in a number of Chicago’s Asian American, LGBTQ, and theatre organizations, Mark has taught at Harold Washington College and for the UIC College of Education. Mark earned his PhD in educational policy studies at UIC, and his research explored the racialized experiences of UIC Asian American students and the effects on their student success. Mark is also co-principal investigator for the UIC Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions Initiative, where he assists in facilitating grant programs and assists in teaching Asian American courses. Mark is a 1.5 generation Filipino American who grew up in Miami, Florida.

Elvin works with our Community Connections Coordinator to bring UIC students (as well as staff and faculty) and Chicago’s Asian communities together on campus. He also teams up with our Student Organization Outreach Coordinator to focus on UIC’s Asian-interest student organizations through a leadership retreat and council. During the summer, he is the manager of the UIC Pyro Paddlers dragon boat team, providing support to the captains and paddlers. Elvin is a second-generation Chinese American and grew up in suburban Western New York.
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UIC AANAPISI Initiative

About
The UIC AANAPISI Initiative supports the recruitment, retention, and graduation of Asian American and Pacific Islander students at the University of Illinois at Chicago. It is fully funded by the U.S. Department of Education’s Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) Program. UIC is federally recognized as a Minority Serving Institution (MSI) through its status as a funded AANAPISI. AANAPISI programs are open to all UIC students.

UIC has received three grants that make up the AANAPISI Initiative:

2010-2015: Part A Grant, $1.9 million
2011-2016: Part F Grant, $2 million
2015-2020: Part A Grant, $1.5 million

The Current AANAPISI Part A Grant (2015 – 2020) primarily aims to serve students who are first-generation college students, low-income, immigrant, English language learner and/or in need of academic support. The UIC AANAPISI Initiative strengthens and integrates academic, social, and student support services through partnerships between the Asian American Resource and Cultural Center (AARCC) and the Global Asian Studies Program (GLAS), as well as other academic support services and advising, including the Writing Center, Math Learning Center, the UIC Library, Counseling Center, Office of Social Science Research (OSSR), and other on- and off-campus organizations.

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First Year Programs
Asian American Mentor Program (AAMP)

Summer AAMP:
A six-week program for summer college students in any program with an hour of tutoring for students in Summer Enrichment Writing and Math Workshops.

Fall AAMP:
A fall semester mentor program for new students. Students will enroll in a 1-credit GLAS seminar and participate in small and large group activities with peer mentors. AAMP will provide writing, math, and chemistry tutors and an embedded counselor and other services and support.

Global Asian Studies (GLAS) Courses

Summer College Seminar:
A six-week summer seminar for incoming first-year introducing students to Global Asian Studies, academic and library research skills.

General Education Courses with Enhanced Tutoring:
Introductory courses on a variety of topics that integrate writing tutors into the course. These meet general education requirements.

On- and Off-Campus Internship Opportunities
On-campus internships: Students enroll in a 1-credit GLAS 105 spring seminar focusing on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in higher Education as a prerequisite to an on-campus internship placement after completing the course. Students enroll in a Practicum course for academic credit during their internship.

Off-campus internships: Students enroll in a 3-credit GLAS 250 seminar focusing on Community Engagement in Asian American Communities as a prerequisite to an off-campus internship placement after completing the course. Students enroll in a Practicum course for academic credit during their internship with an organization off-campus.
Global Asian Studies

About
The Global Asian Studies Program (GLAS) emphasizes the study of Asian and Asian American histories, culture, and politics, while interrogating the frames within which analyses have traditionally been located. Asian Studies has traditionally fallen under the rubric of area studies, which comes with a range of conceptual and politico-historical problems stemming from its roots in colonial era knowledge projects and Cold War politics, while Asian American Studies, which began under the umbrella of ethnic studies, was dogged by its own nationalist framings, leading the field to defensively confine itself within American national, cultural, and historical borders. Responding to the limits of these projects and a “globalization” discourse that calls for new forms of knowledge production, the Global Asian Studies Program at UIC aims to address the shortcomings in both these paradigms and emphasize Asian diasporas, transnationalism, and globalization. It also reflects a field that has continually expanded and transformed in relation to new immigration patterns and historical shifts in U.S. racial formations, including, most recently, phenomena such as Islamaphobia, new Orientalisms, and anti-Arab/South.

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Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Asian Americans

Mission
- Promote the academic, social, cultural, and professional welfare of UIC’s Asian American students, faculty, and staff.
- Advise the administration on university policy that affects Asian American constituencies.
- Encourage scholarship and practices that reflect and respond to the increasing diversity of our campus and surrounding community in a rapidly globalizing world.
- Anticipate the ongoing demographic trends that show the rapid growth of Asian Americans among the U.S.’s and Illinois’ ethnic constituencies.
- Foster professional opportunities for Asian Americans on campus.
- Cultivate relationships with alumni and Asian American communities in the Chicago metropolitan area

History
The Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Asian Americans was the last of the ethnic Chancellor’s Status Committees to be established in 1999, which was largely brought about as a result of student demands.

Meetings
Meetings are held once a month during the academic year (September–April) on both East and West Campus; all students, faculty, and staff are welcome to participate.

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Asian American Scholarships

Scholarships, Internships, & Fellowships

Below are some links to scholarship, internship, and fellowship opportunities targeted to Asian American students or focused on Asian/Asian American studies. Note that this is NOT an exhaustive list, there are MANY other scholarships, internships, and fellowships available from various agencies and organizations.

Scholarships

Asian Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund Scholarship
For details about APIASF’s scholarship programs or to apply, visit APIASF’s website at www.apiasf.org

Asian Women in Business (AWIB) Scholarship
For details on the AWIB scholarship, please visit their website.

Everett and Florence Drumright Scholarships (UIC only)
Must be a UIC undergraduate student who is American-born of Chinese descent and have a GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale. Up to 10 scholarships in the amount of $1,000 are available. Students from all majors may apply. Contact the Office of International Affairs (312-996-5455), deadline is in the spring.

Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) offers scholarships and fellowships for incoming and current college students. Must be a member to apply.

Korean American Scholarship Foundation
KASF offers a variety of scholarships for Korean students. Contact: Dr. Suk Hun Lee, Chair, Scholarship Committee, KASF Mid-Western Region; slee2@uic.edu.

South Asian Journalists Association Scholarship
SAJA and SAJA Group Inc offers scholarships to both undergraduate and graduate students. Applicants must be of South Asian descent OR demonstrate an interest in South Asia or the diaspora; and serious about pursuing journalism as a career.

Asian American Journalists Association Scholarship
The Chicago chapter of AAJA offers scholarships/internships each year to college students or recent graduates interested in pursuing a career in journalism. Other opportunities are available at the national level.

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
The NAPABA Law Foundation Scholarships are awarded each fall to law students who demonstrate a commitment to contribute to the Asian Pacific American community as future leaders. Deadline is September.

Scholarships for which U.S. citizenship or residency is not explicitly required

Scholarships information for International Student
The Office of International Services (OIS) maintains a page of scholarships for international students.
For High School Seniors Only

Asian Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund

Gates Millennium Scholars Program

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U.S. Pan Asian Chamber of Commerce

Scholarships For Studying Abroad
UIC Office of International Affairs
509 University Hall,
(312) 355-3175 or afish@uic.edu.

Has various scholarships for undergraduates and graduates interested in study abroad programs in Asia.

UIC Study Abroad
502 University Hall
(312) 413-7662

UIC Financial Aid And Scholarship Resources
UIC Office of Special Scholarship Programs
2506 University Hall
(312) 355-2477

UIC Office of Student Financial Aid
1800 Student Services Building
(312) 996-3126

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Asian American Internships & Fellowships

Chicago Area
Asian American Institute Impact Fellows Program
The Impact Fellows Program is an intensive six-week summer leadership program seeking to develop young civic-minded leaders interested in working in the Asian Pacific American community in Chicago. The goal of IFP is to develop a pipeline of young leaders who will make an impact in the Asian Pacific American community by becoming aware of social issues and engaged in civic participation.

Asian American Journalists Association Scholarship/Internship
The Chicago chapter of AAJA offers scholarships/internships each year to college students interested in pursuing a career in journalism. Other opportunities are available at the national level.

Council on American-Islamic Relations
The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) is the nation’s largest Muslim civil rights organization. The organization’s mission is to enhance understanding of Islam, encourage dialogue, protect civil liberties, empower American Muslims and build coalitions that promote justice and mutual understanding. Internships at CAIR-Chicago offer students and activists a great opportunity to learn, interact, and grow in a friendly and diverse environment.

National
Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS)
APAICS offers fellowships for graduate students in a range of fields. Programs are designed for individuals who are committed to Asian Pacific Islander American communities and who plan to pursue careers in public service. Application deadline: mid February.

Summer Internship Program in Washington, DC. Every summer, APAICS invites college students to experience working in Congress and federal agencies. Interns will receive a total stipend of $2,500. Application deadline: end of January

APIA VOTE
The APIA Vote Internship Program strives to encourage and cultivate young AAPI student leaders to explore a career in the public sector or the political arena. This internship program will also provide hands on experience and training on how to organize and implement voter activities to increase the participation of AAPIs in the electoral process.

Conference on Asian Pacific American Leadership
CAPAL’s scholarships are awarded to outstanding Asian Pacific American students committed to public service and community action. CAPAL Scholars are awarded $2,000 scholarships to support their successful completion of an internship in Washington, DC.
**International Leadership Foundation**
ILP awards internships to help Asian Pacific American college students who will be future leaders better understand the workings of American government. Each ILF Fellow spends eight weeks during the summer working for a federal government agency in Washington, DC. See website or call 202-531-5031.

**OCA National**
OCA Internships are in Washington DC at their National Office, Capitol Hill, federal agencies, and non-profits. Most are in the summer but there are some opportunities year-round to learn firsthand about national issues and policies that affect Asian Pacific Americans. See website or call 202-223-5500.

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**National Directory of Scholarships, Internships, and Fellowships for Asian American and Pacific Islander Students**
An educational directory presented by the Asian American Studies Program at the University of Maryland, Japanese American Citizens League, anAd Organization for Chinese Americans; sponsored by State Farm.

**UIC Internships And Fellowships Resources**

**Office of Career Services**
3050 Student Services Building  
312-996-2300  
Business Career Center (for CBA students)  
1100 University Hall  
312-996-2700

**Engineering Career Center**
818 Science and Engineering Offices  
312-996-2311

**Student Employment Office**
3050 Student Services Building  
312-996-3130

**Office of Cooperative Education**
(for LAS students)  
350 University Hall  
312-996-0425
University of Illinois Asian American Alumni Network

Vision
To create a supportive, global network of Asian and Asian American alumni and facilitate positive change worldwide.

Mission
We encourage and nurture meaningful relationships to create a supportive community of Asian and Asian American alumni and students by providing comprehensive programming and opportunities that illustrate University of Illinois pride.

Membership
Free, with member benefits including a job and career, community meals, service projects, and a mentoring program.

Board of Directors
President
Ning Zulauf
Alumni and Student Relationship Director
Julian Ignacio
Informational Service and Analysis Director Min-Hsin Jennifer Hayek

Human Resource Specialist
Katie Jin
Public Relationship Director
Ruby Chen
Scholarship Coordinator
Mia Xin
Volunteer Coordinator Director
Lily Huang

University of Illinois Asian American Alumni Network (UIAAAN)
A University of Illinois Alumni Association Affiliate Partner

We look forward to helping you stay connected to and involved with your alma mater, fellow graduates, new students, and broader communities. For more information, please visit us on the Web, through email, on Facebook and LinkedIn. Sign up at our website to receive our quarterly newsletter!

Website http://uiaaan.org
Email uiaaan2010@gmail.com
Campus Resources

The following pages describe some of the on-campus resources available to UIC students, faculty, and staff. These pages include resources for academic assistance, on-campus employment, mental health services, and the Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change.

Provided Information

Academic Center for Excellence
Campus Advocacy Network
Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change
Commuter Student Resource Center Counseling Center
Disability Resource Center
Gender and Sexuality Center
Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy
Office of Career Services
Office of the Dean of Students
Office of Diversity
Student Employment Office
Women’s Leadership and Resource Center
Writing Center
The Academic Center for Excellence

Mission
The Academic Center for Excellence provides learning support services to enable UIC students to accomplish their academic goals by teaching them skills and strategies that improve their academic performance.

ACE is dedicated to providing programs and services that meet the needs of UIC’s diverse student community. We encourage students to visit ACE and speak with an academic skills specialist who can directly aid them in pursuing a course of action toward academic success.

ACE offers Academic Skills Program (ASP) courses, the Academic Achievement Program (AAP), other academic skills workshops, individual academic counseling and tutoring, and a library of academic guidance materials on its website.

The ASP course offerings are as follows:

ASP 050: Speaking, Reading, and Writing in English as a Second Language
Develop college-level reading, speaking, and writing skills (for undergraduates).

ASP 055: Communication Skills for International Graduate Students
Learn and practice skills to develop and increase listening and speaking fluency in formal and informal English (for graduate students and visiting scholars).

ASP 060: Study/Learning across Disciplines
Learn study strategies in areas, such as time management, test taking, and critical reading and thinking.

ASP 062: Semester Refresh: Strategies to Finish Strong
Learn and apply effective study techniques in a half-semester (8 week) course.

ASP 090: Critical Strategies for Reading and Writing Success
Learn how to understand and analyze college-level texts and write effective summaries, syntheses, analyses, and evaluations.

ASP 092: Vocabulary Enrichment
Learn and practice college-level vocabulary in a half-semester (8 week) course.

ASP 095: Academic and Professional Writing
Learn and practice graduate-level writing with a focus on formal, academic style, and advanced grammar (for graduate students and visiting scholars).
Campus Advocacy Network

The Campus Advocacy Network is committed to ensuring that all members of the UIC community feel safe, listened to and valued. We strongly believe that understanding and respecting cultural and community differences are the first steps in appreciating diversity at UIC.

To truly appreciate diversity, we must acknowledge and confront those existing forces that privilege some while denying or making it difficult for others to access needed resources.

As such, CAN’s work is part of a larger movement to safeguard human rights, promote social justice, and end interpersonal violence, particularly violence against women. To do so we must confront sexism, racism, homophobia, transphobia, ableism, ageism, ethnocentrism, religious oppression, discrimination and classism in our work, educational and personal lives.

We believe that all people deserve safety from harm and that this safety can be achieved in multiple ways.

We provide advocacy for students, staff, and faculty who need help or information about sexual assault/harassment/abuse, domestic/dating violence and stalking. Our services are confidential, anonymous, and free. We are committed to working together with survivors of violence to realistically explore options open to them and support their attempts to access resources both on and off campus. We are also a place where a survivor can anonymously report a crime even if he or she does not want to take any further action.

CAN’s outreach and education team provides on campus training about interpersonal violence, prevention education, bystander intervention, social justice, men’s initiatives and other issues.

Campus Advocacy Network
1101 West Taylor Street
Suite 310 (MC 363)
Chicago, IL 60607
Phone: (312) 413-8206
Email: can-appointment@uic.edu
Website: can.uic.edu
Centers for Cultural Understanding & Social Change

The centers affirm their commitment to social change grounded in the principles of inclusion, access, and equity. The name reflects the collective purpose of the centers at UIC: to expand the understanding of the value of cultural diversity and connect diverse assets to find creative solutions for common challenges. This collective purpose draws upon the centers’ expertise in scholarship and practice of providing relevant support to their specific populations on campus and opportunities for intercultural engagement among students, faculty, staff, and Chicago communities. The centers report to the Office of Diversity.

African-American Cultural Center
2nd Floor Addams Hall (MC 020)
Tel: 312-996-9549 | Fax: 312-413-7639
Email: uicaacc@uic.edu
Website: http://www.aacc.uic.edu
Blog: http://www.uicaacc.wordpress.com

Founded in 1991, the African-American Cultural Center (AACC) at the University Illinois Chicago (UIC) is an interdisciplinary unit that supports the academic and diversity missions of the University through innovative programs and initiatives that relate particular African-American and African Diaspora traditions, creative practices, and experiences to broader frameworks of thought, feeling, and action. The Center connects campus and community partners who reflect Chicagoland’s diverse intellectual and cultural life to promote intercultural understanding and social change.

Asian American Resource & Cultural Center
Room 101 Taft Hall (MC 203)
Phone: (312) 413-9569
Email: aarcc@uic.edu
Website: http://aarcc.uic.edu

AARCC opened in spring 2005 as a result of student efforts to ensure that UIC supports the needs of Asian Americans. Nineteen percent of the total UIC student body is Asian American while 14% of faculty and staff are Asian or Asian American. AARCC provides education and resources for and about Asian Americans in order to increase understanding of diverse Asian American issues, cultures, and communities. AARCC programs include Asian American Awareness Month, the Asian American Mentor Program, and Asian American Student Organizations Council.
Arab American Cultural Center
111 Stevenson Hall  |  701 S. Morgan
Tel: 312-413-3253
Email: arabamcc@uic.edu
Website: http://arabamcc.uic.edu/

Founded in 2016 by UIC faculty and staff, the Arab American Cultural Center grew out of the Arab and Muslim American Community Network (AMAC), which was established three years prior. The ARABAMCC is the first cultural center serving Arab Americans on a college campus in the United States. It stands to serve individuals who affiliate with Arab and Arab American cultures, languages, and communities as well as anyone interested in building alliances with our communities.

Disability Resource Center (DRC)
Room 1190 Student Services Building (MC 321)
Phone: 312-413-2183
Voice Video Phone: 312-957-4822
Video Relay Service hearing persons can call: 312-957-4822
Email: drc@uic.edu
Website: http://drc.uic.edu

The Disability Resource Center works with UIC students with disabilities to ensure their equal access to all campus programs and activities. Our main goal is to provide academic accommodations as well as facilitate accessibility and accommodations related to housing, transportation, parking, and classrooms as required. We work together with other campus units, committees and community organizations to create accessible learning, physical, and social environments on campus. As part of this ongoing initiative, we organize and promote disability awareness events to celebrate disability art and culture on campus.

Gender and Sexuality Center (GSC)
Room 181-183
Behavioral Sciences Building (MC 369)
Phone: 312-413-8619
Email: lgbtqa@uic.edu
Website: http://gsc.uic.edu

The Gender and Sexuality Center at UIC creates a more inclusive campus and catalyzes positive social change by challenging heteronormativity and promoting deeply engaged and life affirming thinking, learning, and action. We work with students, faculty, and staff, through a variety of public programs, and intercultural exchanges. Our Safe Zone program offers a variety of interactive workshops that educate on the ways that gender and sexuality are constructed and support individuals to create more affirming environments. We also connect students, faculty, and staff with resources, referrals and opportunities.
Centers for Cultural Understanding & Social Change

Rafael Cintrón Ortiz Latino Cultural Center (LCC)
Lecture Center B2 (MC 218)
Tel: 312-996-3095
Email: lcc@uic.edu
Website: http://latinocultural.uic.edu

Established in 1976, the Latino Cultural Center was the first cultural center at UIC. Its founding was the result of visionary Latino/a students, faculty, staff, and community members who fought tirelessly for a cultural center at the University to support the growing population of Latino/a students on campus. The LCC works with the campus and neighboring communities to expand understanding of Latino cultures and help students shape a positive self-defined identity. We do our work through programs and initiatives that feature cultural and artistic expressions; intercultural and civic dialogues; scholarly presentations; and first-voice stories. Our work connects social and environmental sustainability, draw on cultural heritage to address contemporary issues, and build partnerships across diverse communities for positive social change.

Women’s Leadership and Resource Center (WLRC)
728 West Roosevelt Road (MC 363)
Phone: 312-413-1025
Email: wlrc@uic.edu
Website: http://wlrc.uic.edu

The WLRC strives to create an equitable environment in which women are able to pursue their educational and career aspirations. The Campus Advocacy Network is a program of WLRC that provides anti-violence education and confidential advocate services for students, faculty, and staff who have been victims of sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence and hate crimes. Together, WLRC and CAN create dynamic campus wide programs during Women’s History Month, Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Get involved through our student groups, volunteering, or taking our peer educator class.
Commuter Student Resource Center

Mission
We strive to provide a sense of belonging among commuter students while offering programs and services to enhance wellness, academic success, and student engagement at UIC. We work to educate our campus on understanding the commuter student experience and how to best support the 85% of UIC students who commute to campus daily.

Services
The CSRC aims to provide resources and information particular to commuter students’ needs. There is information online that can aid in transportation planning and off-campus housing assistance. The CSRC can provide one-on-one assistance through our trained student staff. Additionally, our staff is happy to aid in resource referral. We also offer the Commuter Assistance Program. This is a free program for all incoming freshmen and transfer students. By joining this program, participants are placed into a group of students similar to themselves (similar major, neighborhood, field of interests). They are assigned an upper-class group leader who serves as a peer-mentor for the group. As a group they partake in activities on and off-campus. This program is only available during the fall semester.

Events
The CRSC host programs that aim to provide useful information for commuters through workshops and activities as well as fun social opportunities, which allow students to meet other commuters throughout the semester. Some events include workshops on renter’s rights, self-defense, bike maintenance, as well as the annual Off-Campus Housing Fair, monthly movie and game days in the CSRC, and Commuter Appreciation Week.

Student Center East
Suite 245
University of Illinois Chicago
750 South Halsted St.
Chicago, IL 60607

Email: commuter@uic.edu
Phone: 312-413-7440
Monday – Thursday
7:30 AM – 6:00 PM
Friday
7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
Mission
The UIC Counseling Center is a primary resource providing comprehensive mental health services that foster personal, interpersonal, academic, and professional thriving for UIC students. We provide students with accessible and culturally sensitive mental health services to promote overall wellness and help them to make the most of their learning experience at UIC. Consistent with the University’s mission of preparing students for a life of engaged global citizenship, we are committed to social justice and to a campus culture of inclusiveness, respect, and enthusiasm for diversity. To this end, we engage the community through outreach and educational activities. We also provide rigorous training to future mental health clinicians, recognizing that the advancement of a socially just and inclusive culture demands the development of like-minded and committed professionals.

Vision
Within a UIC community of openness and excellence, we embrace, support, and empower UIC students in their pursuit of lifelong academic and personal success by addressing students’ diverse emotional, developmental, and mental health needs.

Student Services
Building Chicago
1200 West Harrison, (MC 333)
Suite 2010, IL 60607
Monday – Friday
8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Tel: (312) 996-3490
Fax: (312)996-7645
Disability Resource Center

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) is one of seven Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change (CCUSC), Office of Diversity. Our Center provides services and resources to undergraduate and graduate students with disabilities to ensure equal access to academic programs and other activities on campus. The DRC Technology Lab is one of our resources for students to use computers with accessible software and use the space to study. Our cultural programs promote understanding of disability art and culture through film, lectures, dialogue and performances. The DRC is a safe space for students to share common experiences and be part of the diverse community on campus.

You are welcome to visit us
Room 1190 Student Services Building
1200 W. Harrison St
Phone: 312-413-2183
Email: drc@uic.edu
Website: http://drc.uic.edu
Gender & Sexuality Center

What We Do
The gender and sexuality center at UIC creates a more inclusive campus and catalyzes positive social change in the world.

Our programs are designed to
• Cultivate student success
• Promote research
• Expand opportunities for intercultural engagement
• Build robust community partnerships

Our programs are informed by an understanding of intersecting identities and the multiple layers of diversity within LGBTQ identities including race, class, ability, geography, immigration status, religious affiliation, and other individual different factors.

Counseling Services
We provide counseling and psychotherapy (individuals, couples, and group), crisis intervention, assessment, consultation, referrals, psychiatric care, outreach programming, and case management. Services are confidential and free to enrolled students, and are provided by licensed psychologists, psychiatrists, advanced doctoral psychology trainees, and postdoctoral fellows.

Consultation
Furthermore, staff from the Counseling Center are available to consult with faculty, staff, or students about the mental health needs of students or employees.

Training and Outreach
The Counseling Center offers graduate and postgraduate psychology training programs. For more information, please visit the center’s website. We also train and supervise undergraduate paraprofessional volunteers to provide telephone crisis and support services to UIC students and the broader community via the InTouch Crisis Hotline.

InTouch Crisis Hotline
Website: http://counseling.uic.edu/hotline.shtml
Phone: (312) 996-5535
Sunday–Friday
6:00–10:30 PM
Contact: Luis Salas, M.S.W.
Institute for Research on Race & Public Policy

Mission
The Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) promotes and coordinates engaged research on racial and ethnic justice in the U.S. Our mission is to increase society’s understanding of the root causes of racial and ethnic inequality and to provide the public, organizers, practitioners, and policymakers with research-based policy solutions. To fulfill that mission, IRRPP funds research on race and ethnicity, trains scholars to participate in policy discussions, collaborates on social justice projects with community organizations, and holds events that explore the links between policy with racial and ethnic injustice.

Programs
Annual Phillip J. Bowman Lecture on Race, Ethnicity, and Public Policy
Race & Health Series
Lunchtime Lecture Series
Policy 101 Series
Race / Ethnicity Workshops
Summer Teacher Education Workshop
Legacies of Racism
Faculty and Graduate Student Funding Programs
WriteOut! Faculty & Graduate Student Writing Retreats

Institute for Research on Race & Public Policy (MC 347)
University of Illinois at Chicago
412 S. Peoria St., Room 322
Chicago, IL 60607

Email: irrp@uic.edu
Phone: (312) 996-6339
Fax: (312) 413-2091
Office of Career Services

Mission
Our mission is to empower students in their career development and job search by providing accessible resources and comprehensive services.

We can help with...
- Career Exploration
- Cover Letters and Resumes
- Internship Information
- On-Campus Interviewing
- Employer Listings and Information
- Salary Information
- Career Fairs
- Networking and Job Search Tips
- Drop-In Advising

Find jobs on UICcareers.com
Your online source to getting connected with employers!

Our Career Exploration Center has free magazines, resources, and books for Asian American students!

3050 Student Services Building
1200 West Harrison St.
Chicago, IL 60607
Monday - Friday
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone: (312) 996-2300
Fax: (312) 413-0383
Email: ocs@uic.edu
Website: http://careers.uic.edu

Social Media Sites
facebook.com/UICCareerServices
twitter.com/UICCareerSrvc
youtube.com/UICCareerServices
pinterest.com/uiccareersrvcs/
Office of the Dean of Students

Mission
Our Mission is to provide a student-centered learning environment that offers support, advocacy, and resources that contribute to student success.

Vision
Our Vision is to be a campus leader in fostering a caring and supportive environment where all students matter.

Student Veterans Affairs
Student Veterans Affairs functions as an advocate for student veterans on UIC's campus. The unit is responsible for the processing of educational benefits and is a resource to assist student veterans as they make the transition to campus life.

Filing an Incident Report
If you would like to report an academic, behavioral (non-academic), student organization, or sexual misconduct complaints, please submit at http://dos.uic.edu/conductIR. Also, please review the Student Disciplinary Policy on the DOS Website to learn more about the alleged violations and conduct procedures after an incident report is submitted.

What is “academic integrity”?
Academic integrity is the cornerstone of higher education. It can be defined as taking on your academic pursuits honestly. It means, simply, that you complete your own work honestly and give credit to others when you need to reference their work.

What is considered cheating or plagiarism?
Presenting someone's work as your own
Not properly citing references
Using your own work from a previous class or project without the professor's permission
Looking at someone else's test during test taking
Working in groups on projects when the instructions do not call for teamwork

What are the consequences of violating the academic integrity policy?
Sanctions include immediately failing the class, and a possible dismissal from the university and notation on your transcripts.

What if I'm experiencing academic difficulty?
The best way to avoid these issues is to ASK for help and utilize the resources offered by the university. In particular, talk to your professors and T.A.s as they are always prepared to assist you when you have problems with assignments and course material.

What services are offered in the Dean of Students Office?
- Campus Liaison for Religious Workers Association
- Student Advocacy Services
- Student Conduct Process
- Student Legal Services
- Student Mediation Center
- Student Ombuds Services
- Student Governance Advising
- Student Veteran Affairs

3030 Student Services Building
1200 W. Harrison St. (MC 318)
Chicago, IL 60607
Phone: (312) 996-4857
Fax: (312) 413-3716
Website: http://deanofstudents.uic.edu
Office of Diversity

Mission
Promote an organizational culture and structure that honors diversity through integration of the principles of access, equity, and inclusion into all aspects of university processes and practices.

Vision
UIC will be nationally recognized as a leading diverse learning community where human differences are embraced, and where neither difference nor disadvantage stands in the way of intellectual and professional achievement.

The Office of Diversity guides UIC’s strategic efforts to advance access, equity, and inclusion as fundamental principles underpinning all aspects of university life. We manage UIC’s diversity resources and infrastructure, initiate programs that promote a supportive university climate, partner with campus units to formulate systems of accountability, and develop links with the local community and alumni groups to advance engagement with critical diversity issues.

Diversity Advisory Committee
An advisory group to the Provost and Vice Provost for Diversity, it consists of staff, students, and faculty that represent campus diversity-related units. It advises on matters pertinent to enhancing the positive impact of diversity at UIC. Specifically, the DAC provides counsel on diversity policy, procedures, and strategy.

Diversity Chairpersons Committee
This committee consists of the chairperson(s) of each college and administrative unit’s diversity committee. Its role is to ensure that initiatives are underway and progress is being made as it relates to each unit’s diversity strategic plan. Specifically, its emphasis is on identifying areas for improvement, setting measurable goals, and monitoring progress toward those goals as it relates to advancing the principles of access, equity, and inclusion. It is a vehicle for facilitating communication, cooperation, and sharing of ideas across divisions of the university related to diversity efforts.

University Diversity Committees Chancellor’s Status Committees
The Chancellor’s Status Committees function as advisory bodies to the Chancellor. They consist of staff, students, and faculty who collaboratively monitor the needs of underrepresented and underserved groups on campus, and proactively make policy recommendations that improve the climate for these groups on campus. There are six Chancellor’s Status Committees:
• Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Asian Americans (CCSAA)
• Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Blacks (CCSB)
• Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Latinos (CCSL)
• Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer People, and Allies
• Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities (CCSPD)
• Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Women (CCSW)
Unites Reporting to the Office of Diversity Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change

The Centers for Cultural Understanding and Social Change (CCUSC) are a collaborative group of seven centers with distinct histories, missions, and locations that promote the well being of and cultural awareness about underrepresented and underserved groups at UIC. Collectively the Centers expand cultural understanding by providing opportunities for intercultural engagement among students, faculty, and staff.

The African American Cultural Center (AACC) supports the academic and diversity missions of UIC through innovative programs and initiatives that relate African American and African Diaspora traditions, practices, and experiences to broader frameworks of thought, feeling, and action. The Center connects campus and community partners who reflect the diverse intellectual and cultural life of UIC and the greater Chicago area to promote intercultural understanding and social change.

The Asian American Resource and Cultural Center (AARCC) offers social, cultural, and educational programs that promote knowledge of and foster engagement with issues related to Asian Americans and Asian American studies. Their co-curricular programs and collaborations with other campus units ensure that the needs of Asian American students are met. AARCC also serves as a resource for the campus to engage with Chicago's Asian American communities and organizations.

The Arab American Cultural Center (ARA-BAMCC) promotes the social and academic well-being of Arab American students, staff, and faculty. It seeks to enhance cultural awareness, facilitate dialogue, and foster interaction among the diverse groups at UIC. Through an array of cultural and educational programs, the Arab American Cultural Center sustains an inclusive campus community where human differences are embraced. The Center is also a resource for students, staff, and faculty desiring engagement with Chicago's Arab American communities and organizations.

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) provides services to undergraduate and graduate students with diverse disabilities to ensure equal access on campus in accordance with State and Federal Law so that they may fully participate in campus life. The DRC collaborates with various academic units in order to provide services including, but not limited to, academic accommodations, access to classrooms, housing, recreation programs, and parking services. The DRC is also committed to promoting disability arts and culture.

The Gender and Sexuality Center (GSC) facilitates educational and cultural programs related to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and allied (LGBTQA) people and issues. The GSC hosts events throughout the year including the Rainbow Social, heritage programs, Lavender Research Forum, and Lavender Graduation. The GSC also provides Safe Zone training to campus and community members. The GSC's work, in collaboration with many other campus units, has resulted in UIC being named one of the Top 25 LGBTQ-friendliest campuses in the country.

The Latino Cultural Center (LCC) works to expand the understanding of Latino cultures as well as to ensure that Latino/a students have a positive self-defined identity. The LCC also provides students with practical tools to help them graduate, join the workforce, and become the next generation of leaders, through cultural and artistic programs, intercultural dialogues, and educational workshops. The LCC collaborates with other units on campus and community organizations to improve the lives of Latinos at UIC and in local communities.

The Women’s Leadership and Resource Center (WLRC) facilitates women’s advancement, growth, and development through programming, advocacy, policy development, and institutional interventions. WLRC also oversees the Campus Advocacy Network (CAN) that provides advocacy for UIC students, staff, and faculty who are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and hate crimes. WLRC/CAN collaborates with various campus units and advises several student groups, including Men Against Sexual Violence and UIC Pride, among others.
Dialogue Initiative
The UIC Dialogue Initiative actively seeks to build an inclusive campus community where students, faculty, and staff feel welcomed in their identities, valued for their contributions, and feel their identities can be openly expressed. Through credit-bearing courses and co-curricular workshops, students learn from the experiences of their peers by engaging in dialogue on sensitive topics, such as inclusion, power, bias, privilege, and multiple social identities. These learning opportunities equip students with skills to break down communication barriers and increase interaction with individuals who have different life experiences. The Office of Diversity developed the UIC Dialogue Initiative in partnership with the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

Early Outreach Program
The Early Outreach Program (EOP) offers summer and academic year learning and research experiences to K-12 students. The purpose of the program is to enhance K-12 minority students’ awareness of health promotion and urban health issues. The curriculum is structured to promote interest and inquisitiveness in health sciences through Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) coursework. By exposing young learners to the health sciences, EOP seeks to increase the number of minority students who are motivated and academically prepared to pursue STEM fields upon enrolling in college. In addition, the program enhances the confidence and capability of students to succeed on performance-based assessments.

Urban Health Program
The Urban Health Program (UHP) recruits underrepresented minority students into the health professions. Throughout Illinois, UHP works to bring undergraduate students to UIC’s health science colleges and degree programs. UHP helps to connect students to opportunities within academia and within surrounding communities. Students are provided with the resources they need in order to bolster their future careers as professionals, faculty, or researchers with a focus on the elimination of health disparities and advancement of health equity. UHP strives to cultivate a commitment to underserved urban areas, creating a lasting relationship between new health professionals and the people they serve.

Campus Strategic Diversity Priorities
Priority 1: Strengthen Diversity Infrastructure
Build and sustain a structure that reflects diversity as a fundamental institutional value, realized through shared responsibility.

Priority 2: Promote Equity and Inclusion
Advance existing efforts and create new avenues to promote a climate of equity and inclusion in which all UIC members feel a sense of belonging.

Priority 3: Expand Frontiers of Knowledge
Encourage disciplines to draw upon diverse perspectives and become a national leader in the dissemination of innovative diversity scholarship.

Priority 4: Enhance Community Engagement
Cultivate mutually beneficial partnerships with diverse communities within and beyond Chicago.
Student Employment Office

The Student Temporary Service is geared toward students who are interested in short-term assignments around campus. Most positions last at least one to two days and up to two to three weeks. Students complete an application for the program and meet with the STS coordinator to review opportunities.

Services

On-Campus Jobs
Work in a part-time position that fits around your class schedule. Over 90 job categories ranging from clerical, computer, research to student patrol are available!

General Off-Campus

Part-Time Local Jobs
The Student Employment Office works hand in hand with businesses around the Chicagoland to provide students with employment opportunities outside of campus. Employers place part-time and full-time positions on UICCareers.com, both throughout the school year and during break periods. For positions listed as “Part-Time Local” on UICCareers, all students need to do is contact the company directly. There are no applications at Student Employment unless explicitly specified on the job description.

UICCareers.com
UICCareers.com, a job board used by the Student Employment Office along with The Office of Career Services, Business Career Center, the LAS Internship Program and Engineering Career Center, has made job-searching easier for our students and job-posting easier for potential employers. The site lists hundreds of positions including part-time, local jobs, Federal Work Study and Regular Student on-campus jobs, and career-related employment!

First-time users can register for UICCareers.com by contacting the Student Employment Office at (312) 996-3130 or emailing studentjobs@uic.edu. Registration requires the student to provide their full name, UIC email address, and University Identification Number (UIN).

Job Location and Development (JLD) Program
The Job Location and Development (JLD) Program is a service through the Student Employment Office that assists employers in connecting with enrolled students who are seeking off-campus career-related employment that is part-time year-round employment or full-time summer employment. The program is centered on creating real world experiences and helping students of all majors increase self-knowledge and develop marketable skills that provide a solid foundation for securing career-related options beyond graduation. JLD is a federally funded program, which operates year-round. Employers post their job opportunities through uiccareers.com.

2100 Student Services Building
1200 West Harrison St. (MC 335)
Chicago, IL 60607

Walk-in Hours
For general information, resume assistance, job searching tips, and resources.

Tuesdays and Thursdays
2:00–4:00 PM

Wednesdays
8:30–10:00 AM

Phone: (312) 996-3130
Email: studentjobs@uic.edu
Website: studentemployment.uic.edu
Wellness Center

About
The UIC Wellness Center is your central location to fulfill all of your health education and promotion needs. The Wellness Center cares about you as unique individual which is why we focus our content and programming around the 8 dimensions of health! Wellness is not just about your physical health, it’s just as important to care about your emotional, intellectual, environmental, spiritual, financial, occupational and social health too! The Wellness Center offers:

Pop-Up Pantry (PUP): a food pantry exclusively for UIC students! This pantry is for any enrolled UIC student experiencing food insecurity. The only requirement to utilize the pantry is to show up and present your iCard. No matter your specific situation, whether short-term or long-term, if you need food or personal hygiene items, come to the Food-Pantry! Currently the Pop-Up Pantry is undergoing some changes that are in support of serving you better and providing quality foods and fresh produce! Please make sure to check the Wellness Center website or call 312-413-2120 for up-to-date information and pantry dates.

Health education workshops: Free to students and student organizations and are presented across campus. Workshops cover topics that support your academic success, such as: stress, safety, safe sex, alcohol, communication, conflict management and much more! Visit our website for more information and to request a workshop!

Health education programs: Throughout the year, students will see different programs hosted by the Wellness Center. The goals of these programs are to provide students with evidence based programming surrounding content that is important to you. You will be sure to see Safer Sex Fest, Pro-Active Peace series, National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, Happy Haunt, Breast Cancer Awareness, and much more!

Individual consultations: Do you need one-on-one time with a health educator to address topics such as stress management, nutrition, peer pressure, and sexual health? If you answered “yes!” then we are excited to meet with you! Consultations typically last 45-60 minutes and are a one-time meeting. You can request an individual consultation by calling 312-413-2120 or completing the form through our website. A staff member will get back with you within 48 hours of your initial request. If you are in a crisis and are seeking medical attention, please call 911.

Customized referrals: We want you to be just as healthy as you are successful! If we don’t have the direct means to help you get the information or services you are in need of, we will be sure to refer you to services both on and off campus like the Counseling Center, The Family Medicine Center, Planned Parenthood, and more.

Wellness Resources: Along with a plethora of health information, the Wellness Center also has resources available for free to registered students. You can come by any time during our business hours and receive: hand sanitizer, tissues, band-aides, cough drops, condoms, lubricant, feminine hygiene products, brochures, and more. Always check-in to see if we are offering any new items!

Volunteer opportunities: Are you a student looking for volunteer opportunities? We are always looking for help at our major programs and events such as: The Pop-Up Pantry and Safer Sex Fest. Please call, 312-413-2120 to register to volunteer!

Newly re-designed website: Coming Fall 2017! It’s not just a website! It is a portal for your health needs! You can register for workshops, look at pictures of past events, request an individual consultation, access online sexual health and stress management guides, and see the future happenings of the UIC Wellness Center! Visit us at: http://wellnesscenter.uic.edu/

UIC Wellness Center
750 S Halsted St 238 (located in Inner Circle, behind Burrito Bravo)
312-413-2120
http://wellnesscenter.uic.edu/
Women’s Leadership & Resource Center

About
The Women’s Leadership and Resource Center serves as a resource for the entire campus community while placing the experiences of diverse women at its center. We work to promote gender equity through programming that raises awareness of women’s and gender issues, develops women’s leadership, and celebrates women’s accomplishments and contributions. We provide resources as well as individual consultation on issues such as sexual harassment and sexual assault. The WLRC provides a welcoming, safe and inclusive space for all genders that encourages dialogue and diversity. Come study, relax and chat with us.

Women’s Leadership and Resource Center
1101 West Taylor Street
Suite 310 (MC 363)
Phone: (312) 413-1025
Email: wlrcc@uic.edu
Website: wlrcc.uic.edu
Writing Center

Mission
We are here to help you learn more about writing -- one of the most important things you can learn in college. We welcome all UIC students, whether you are working on personal statements, lab reports, or classroom writing assignments. We can help you become more confident, give you options for improving and revising your writing, and help you find the process of writing more interesting and meaningful.

You can make an appointment by going to our website, writingcenter.uic.edu, and using our online scheduler. Appointments are 45 minutes. Although we encourage students to make appointments in advance, if you need help last minute, it is worth dropping in. We cannot guarantee that there will be a tutor available, but we will do our best to find a tutor to help you.

How to Become a Tutor
The Writing Center offers full-credit courses for students who would like to be tutors. The courses help tutors advance as writers while developing a broad range of communication skills and a fuller understanding of academic literacy.

It is important to us to have tutors from all majors and language backgrounds. About half of our tutors are future teachers, but half are planning careers in other fields such as medicine, psychology, law, engineering, and business. Many of our tutors are bilingual and some of the best have learned English as a second language.

Support for Students in English 070
If you are taking (or have taken) English 070, we can have the same tutor work with you every week. Working with the same tutor has many advantages: the tutor will become familiar with your assignments as well your instructor’s feedback. To find out more, please contact Vainis Aleksa at vainisuic.edu.

105 Grant Hall
Sandi Port Errant Language Culture Learning Center
703 S. Morgan St. (Mc 162)
Chicago, IL 60607

Tutoring Hours Fall and Spring Open week two of the semester through Thursday of finals week.

Mon/Wed: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Tue/Thu: 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Fri: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Phone: (312) 413-2206
Website: http://writingcenter.uic.edu
There are many opportunities to get involved on campus. There are over 25 Asian or Asian American-related student organizations who would love to have you join them!

Some have provided their information to be listed here while others can be found at the Asian American Resource and Cultural Center’s website: http://aarcc.uic.edu/studentorgs

Provided Information

- alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority
- Alpha Phi Gamma Sorority
- Asian American Students in Alliance
- Chi Sigma Tau National Fraternity
- Delta Epsilon Psi
- Delta Kappa Delta
- Delta Phi Omega Sorority
- Filipinos in Alliance
- Kappa Pi Beta Fraternity
- Korean American Students Association
- Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers
- Theta Lambda Beta Fraternity
- Vietnamese Student Association
alpha Kappa Delta Phi
International Sorority Inc.

About
alpha Kappa Delta Phi is the first and largest international Asian-interest with 53 chapters (and growing) across the nation and in Canada. Our sisters have the benefits of traveling during rallies, conferences, and conventions as well as sharing a huge network of innovative leaders. On a smaller, day-to-day scope, we dedicate much of our time to academics, volunteering and fundraising for our philanthropy, which is Breast Cancer Awareness, socializing with other organizations on and off campus, and raising cultural awareness in our community. We are Asian-interest, but not Asian-exclusive; we encourage anyone who shares our values of sisterhood, scholarship, service, leadership, and Asian-American awareness to come out and get to know us!

Main Events
Breast Cancer Awareness week
Triple S: Step Stroll, Salute
Asian Sensation

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224-433-3657

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Karen Mei
312-593-5897

VP Internal
Nancy Bu
224-678-2738

VP New Member Educator
Rina Yamazaki
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VP External
Erica Li
773-742-0728

VP Treasury
Samantha Diaz
773-747-1204

Social Media
Instagram
uicakdphi
Alpha Phi Gamma Sorority

About
Alpha Phi Gamma emerged in the Fall of 1993 and became a reality on February 1, 1994, as the first Asian American Interest Sorority on the campus of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. The Founders were Allex Choi, Candy Cunanan, Christine Nguyen, Sandie Rillera, Kolleen Kim, Grace Hsieh and Jennifer Oku. These Sisters wanted to bring together all women of different nationalities through the bonds of friendship and sisterhood. The sorority was established to promote service and Asian Awareness to the University and to the community, allowing for all the different nationalities to discover what other cultures had to offer.

On February 26, 2012, Alpha Phi Gamma was established at University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). On June 27, 2015, Alpha Phi Gamma at UIC officially became recognized as Lambda Chapter. Through hard work and determination, wanting to make a difference on campus, Sisters of this organization continue to cherish this authentic and real sisterhood!

Main Events
*TENTATIVE*
Fall 2017 Recruitment
Sky Full of Stars
Spring 2018 Recruitment

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Community Service Chair
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847-858-4121
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Chair
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Social Chair, Recruitment
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Youtube APHIG UIC
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCw8-tlgVCIhMh2FpPbSA-2rw

Twitter
APhiG_UIC

Instagram
aphig_lambdachapter
Asian American Students in Alliance

About
Asian American Students in Alliance is the oldest pan-Asian American organization at UIC, founded as a Pan-Asian organization in 1987. We aim to increase Asian American awareness and address issues surrounding the Asian American community through our cultural workshops, events, performances, services, and social gatherings. AASIA provides a place where you can learn more about Asian American identity and awareness. We also encourage and reward academic excellence for our members. Whether you are Asian, Asian American, or just curious about Asian American culture, all are welcome to join! We hold general body meetings almost every Thursday at 4pm.

AASIA has a modern dance group called EVO. There are no try outs to become a part of EVO, and people of all dance levels (and even no dance experience) are welcome to join!

Main Events
Spring - ImaginAsian (AASIA’s Spring Variety Showcase) is a variety showcase where student led variety acts (plays), along with variety acts from various UIC students and groups and a famous YouTube Headliner perform! If interested in being a performer or variety act director, please email aasia.vpexternal@gmail.com.

2017 - 18 Board Members

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Social Media
Facebook
http://facebook.com/groups/aasia.uic
Website
http://uicaasia.com
Instagram
aasia_uic
Chi Sigma Tau
National Fraternity

About
Chi Sigma Tau is the first Asian American interest fraternity to have been founded in the Midwest. We establish lifelong brotherhood, develop leadership skills, institute a mentor program for the younger members, and promote Asian awareness by bringing a voice to the Asian American community on campus. We also strive to bring awareness to the Alzheimer’s disease, which is our national philanthropy. Although we were founded as an Asian interest fraternity, Chi Sigma Tau is non-exclusive and openly welcomes potential members from all walks of life. We are all like-minded people and strive to achieve the same goals: graduate, expand the fraternity, and develop our leadership capabilities - in essence, to become better rounded men with honor, integrity and selflessness.

Main Events
Fall ’17 Recruitment (9/12/17-9/22/17)
Walks of Memory (Fall 2017)
Asian Sensation (Spring 2018)

2017 - 18 Board Members

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Social Media
Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/uic.chisigs/
Delta Epsilon Psi

About
We don’t turn boys into men, we turn men into leaders.

Main Events
Sugar Free Bowl Football Tournament

2017 - 18 Board Members
Vice President
Jeet Patel
708-359-7760

Social Media
Facebook
Delta Epsilon Psi - Alpha - UIC
Instagram
depsi_ak
Delta Kappa Delta

About
Delta Kappa Delta Sorority, Inc. is the only South Asian interest, Service Sorority. Our philanthropy is Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness.

Main Events
HOPE Week, C.H.I.L.D. Week

2017 - 18 Board Members

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Treasurer | Prachi Patel
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Delta Phi Omega Sorority

About
Children's literacy and education

Main Events
Lit week, Be the Change

2017 - 18 Board Members
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Vice President | Vritti Samtani
440-897-8405

Treasurer | Janaki Patel
630-618-8417

Secretary | Kajal Dholakia
630-400-9433

Historian | Deanna Zargar
630-272-3544

Social Media
Facebook
delta phi omega mu chapter- uic
Instagram
dpo_mu
Filipinos in Alliance

About
Filipinos in Alliance strives to educate others in the hopes that one may gain a sense of knowledge of self by realizing their own heritage, as well as the hardships of their ancestors before them, all in a friendly environment with people like themselves. With that goal in mind, we believe in building a sense of belonging and unity with other Filipinos by working together through numerous events and activities to reach as many members in our community that we possibly could. We strongly believe that by creating a combined effort and through dedicated teamwork, we can make a difference – as Filipinos in Alliance. Filipinos in Alliance is not an organization that is exclusive to only Filipino-Americans.

Main Events

Events Hosted by FIA
 Philippine Culture Night
 Battle of the Bamboo

Events FIA Attends
 Filipino Americans Coming Together (FACT) Conference
 MFAS
 (Midwest Filipino American Summit)

2017 - 18 Board Members

Co-Presidents
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Social Media
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fiauic.org

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@UICFIA

Snapchat
fia_snappies

Facebook
FIAUIC

Instagram
@fiauic
Kappa Pi Beta Fraternity

About
Kappa Pi Beta Fraternity, Inc. is an Asian interest but not Asian exclusive social and service fraternity that is dedicated to the needs of the community, along-side the commitment to higher learning, the promotion of traditional Asian

Main Events
Are You Doctor Yet? (RUDY)
Resonance
Pie-A-Bro
Penny Wars

We’re looking to possibly changing things up so keep an eye on our social media!

2017 - 18 Board Members
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Social Media
Website
https://kpibuic.org

Facebook
//www.facebook.com/uic-pib/?ref=br_rs

Instagram
kpib_uic

Twitter
KPIBBetaChapter
Korean American Students Association

About
An organization that wants to spread the knowledge of Korean Culture and bridge the gap between Korea and America. values of respect and discipline, and overall essence of unity among all people of different backgrounds.

Main Events
Running Man
Cultural Appropriation Meeting
My Sassy Korea

2017 - 18 Board Members

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Seolful Coordinators
Naulini Orozco & Michael Han
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Cultural Chair | Hyemin Park
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Social Media
Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/groups/UICKASA/
Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers

About
STEM Major/Asian Heritage Organization open to all

Main Events
General Body Meeting
Food Fundraising Event
SASE National Conference

2017 - 18 Board Members

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Social Media
Facebook
SASE - UIC
Theta Lambda Beta Fraternity Inc.

About
Fraternity in GPAAC.

Main Events
Recruitment
HEROES

2017 - 18 Board Members

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Treasurer | Edward
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Social Media
Facebook
UIC Theta Lambda Beta
Vietnamese Student Association

About
Our mission is to establish and maintain a strong communication link between students and friends around the Vietnamese community in the Chicago/Mid-West campus. We would like to provide VSA members with an opportunity to interact and exchange ideas vital to the growth and prosperity of the Vietnamese community. We invite everyone to join VSA to learn, laugh, and grow with us through the year. We want students to have knowledge about the culture and traditions that Vietnamese students hold strong and proud to their hearts.

Main Events
General Body Meetings: Every other Monday 4-6pm  
(Starting on Sept 11th)  
Vollyball Tournament  
Night Vision Cultural Center

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Board Members  
Eric Tran  
Brenda Nguyen  
Justin Trieu  
Miguel Reyes  
Francis Nguyen  
Dennis Le  
Giselle Legaspi  
Ivory Nguyen  
Melanie Vo

Social Media  
Facebook  
https://www.facebook.com/UICxVSA/
Chicagoland has a number of organizations to get involved with and learn more about Asian American issues. For a more comprehensive listing of Asian American organizations visit http://advancingjustice-chicago.org/compass

Provided Information
Advocacy, Community Organizing & Research
Arts & Culture
Chambers of Commerce
Human Services
Events & News
Professional Associations
Advocacy, Community Organizing And Research

Alliance of Filipinos for Immigrant Rights and Empowerment
afirechicago.org
To build the capacity of the Filipino American community to effect transformative social change through grassroots education, action, research, and services.

Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Chicago
advancingjustice-chicago.org
To empower the Asian Pacific American community through advocacy by utilizing research, education, and coalition building.

Asian Health Coalition
asianhealth.org
To improve the health and well-being of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Illinois through advocacy, technical assistance, education, and community-based research.

Invisible to Invincible: Asian & Pacific Islander Pride of Chicago
chicagoi2i.org
Celebrate and affirm Asian/Pacific Islanders who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning or Queer in the Chicago area.

Council on American-Islamic Relations
cairchicago.org
CAIR is the nation’s largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy group. CAIR Chicago is the main office of the Illinois chapter serving the neighboring Midwest.

Japanese American Citizens League – Chicago Chapter
jacchicago.org
To secure and maintain the civil rights of Japanese Americans and all others who are victimized by injustice and prejudice.

Korean Adoptees of Chicago
katchicago.com
Build and support the adult Korean adoptee community in the Chicago-land area. Promote education and awareness about issues surrounding transracial international adoption and multiculturalism.

Hana Center
hanacenter.org
Empower the Korean American, immigrant and multi-racial communities through social services, community organizing, culture and education to advance human rights.
National Asian Pacific American Women’s Forum – Chicago
napawf.org/
Focuses on advancing women’s and girls’ rights through public education, bringing a gender and ethnic lens to issues, and creating a space for progressive APA women in the Chicagoland area.

OCA – Greater Chicago Chapter
ocachicago.org
Dedicated to advancing the social, political, and economic well-being of all Asian Pacific Americans in the United States.

South Asian American Policy & Research Institute
saapri.org
Facilitate the formulation of equitable and socially responsible policy affecting South Asian Americans through the use of cutting edge research and education.

Trikone Chicago
trikonechicago.org
To create a supportive and nonjudgmental environment, where LGBT South Asians can meet, make connections and proudly promote awareness and acceptance of their sexuality in society
Arts & Culture

Asian Improv Arts Midwest
http://airmw.org/
Build a vital, self-empowered Asian American community in the Chicago area by advancing the understanding and profile of Asian and Asian American cultures through traditional and contemporary cultural arts.

A-Squared Theatre Workshop
http://a-stw.org
Create an artistic environment of risk taking and growth for Asian American theater artists by dynamically bringing Asian American stories to the stage for general theater-going audiences.

Chinese-American Museum of Chicago
http://ccamuseum.org
Maintain a museum in Chicago to promote exhibitions, education, and research relating to Chinese American culture and history in the Midwestern United States.

Foundation for Asian American Independent Media
http://faaim.org
Promote film, video, and other media by and about Asian Americans, and to support the artists who create them.

Silk Road Rising
http://silkroadrising.org
Creates live theatre and online videos telling stories through primarily Asian and Middle Eastern American lenses.

Stir-Friday Night!
http://stirfridaynight.org
Using comedy as a tool to attempt to dispel stereotypes and bridge understanding among the various social, racial and intergenerational groups within the community.
Chambers of Commerce

Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce
http://www.chicagochinatown.org
To facilitate the economic development and welfare of Chicago's Chinese community.

West Ridge Chamber of Commerce
http://www.westridgechamber.org
To attract shoppers and increase business, improve the physical appearance of the area, and increase the safety of business owners and shoppers.

Human Services

Apna Ghar
http://apnaghar.org
Provide free, holistic services to women and children across immigrant communities in the Chicago area to end the cycle of domestic violence.

Asian Human Services
http://ahschicago.org
Provide quality, compassionate, and culturally-appropriate services to meet the needs of low-income Asian American, immigrant, and refugee communities in metropolitan Chicago.

Cambodian Association of Illinois
http://cai-nationalmuseum.org
Enable refugees and immigrants from Cambodia in Illinois to become self-sufficient, productive participants in American society while preserving and enhancing their cultural heritage and community.

Chinese American Service League
http://calservice.org
Serve the needs of Chinese Americans through child education and development, employment, counseling, health, and elderly services.
Chinese Mutual Aid Association
http://chinesemutualaid.org
To serve the needs, promote the interests, and enhance the well-being of Chinese and other immigrants and refugees in Chicagoland, and to foster their participation in American society.

Hamdard Center
http://hamdardcenter.org/
A multilingual, multicultural social and health service agency dedicated to serving the South Asian, Middle Eastern, and the Bosnian communities in Illinois.

Hanul Family Alliance
http://hanulusa.org
Provide a broad range of community services to meet the needs of Koreans of all ages and other members of the community.

Indo-American Center
http://indoamerican.org
Promote the well-being of South Asian immigrants through services that facilitate adjustment, integration, connections with the broader society, and nurture a sense of community.

Japanese American Service Committee
http://jasc-chicago.org
Preserve and raise awareness of Japanese American culture and heritage, and promote the physical and spiritual well-being of Japanese Americans and the greater multicultural community in the Midwest.

KAN-WIN
http://kanwin.org
Provide comprehensive services to women and children affected by domestic violence and work within the broader community towards women’s empowerment and social change.

Hana Center
hanacenter.org
Empower the Korean American, immigrant and multi-racial communities through social services, community organizing, culture and education to advance human rights.

Muslim Women Resource Center
http://mwrcnfp.org
Assist immigrant and refugee Muslim women overcome cultural and language barriers, and prepare them with skills to become self-sufficient and to enter the job market.

Project: VISION
http://projectvisionchicago.org/
Provide youth in the Bridgeport/Chinatown areas of Chicago with tools for educational, professional, interpersonal, and civic development.
Pui Tak Center
http://puitak.org
Established by the Chinese Christian Union Church to be a Christian witness to Chinese in Chicago through educational, family, and community services.

Vietnamese Association of Illinois
http://hnvi.org
To foster the development and strength of the Vietnamese community and provide free bilingual social services that address the unique needs of its constituency.

Events & News

Ascene Chicago
http://ascenechicago.com
Ascene aims to educate, inform, and connect the Asian American community
Professional Associations

Asian American Journalists Association – Chicago Chapter
http://aajachicago.wordpress.com/
Help prepare young journalists for a successful career in the news media and offer diversity programs, career advising, and networking with AAJA members worldwide.

Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy – Chicago Chapter
http://aapip.org
Engages AAPI communities and philanthropy to address needs; serves as a resource for and about AAPI communities; facilitates giving by and to AAPI communities; and incubates ideas for social justice philanthropy.

The Filipino American Network
http://fan-chicago.org
Creates unique opportunities that foster Filipino and Filipino American identity and culture.

National Association of Asian American Professionals – Chicago
http://naaapchicago.org
Engages leaders of all levels and backgrounds in professional, cultural, and community development through networking, workshops, seminars, and events.

Network of Indian American Professionals – Chicago
http://facebook.com/netipchicago
Dedicated to the achievement and advancement of South Asian professionals through programs on networking/professional development, cultural awareness, community service, and political awareness.

Korean American Coalition - Chicago
http://kac-chicago.org
Creates unique opportunities that foster Filipino and Filipino American identity and culture.

TAP-Chicago:
Chicago Taiwanese American Professionals
http://tapchicago.org
Strengthen and unite Taiwanese American community in Chicagoland through cultural awareness, professional development, community service, and leadership opportunities.
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