

# CHRISTINA ONG

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## EDUCATION

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<b>PhD Candidate</b> , Sociology, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA Certificate, Digital Studies and Methods	<i>Current</i> 2021
<b>MA</b> , Sociology, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	2019
<b>BA</b> , Political Science, University of California, Irvine (UCI), Irvine, California, Minor, Civic & Community Engagement	2014

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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race and panethnicity in the United States; intersectional and transnational feminist theory; solidarity and coalitions in social movements; narratives of migration, displacement, and diaspora; geography and place-based activism; digital and visual sociological methods

## PUBLICATIONS

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ong, christina, Zhang, Amy, and Vivian Shaw. 2021. "Asian American, Asian Immigrant, and Pacific Islander Businesses and Workers During COVID-19: Recovery, Resilience, and Loss." *Natural Hazards Center Quick Response Grant Report Series*, 322. Boulder, CO: Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder. Available at: <https://hazards.colorado.edu/quick-response-report/asian-american-asian-immigrant-and-pacific-islander-businesses-and-workers-during-covid-19>.

ong, christina. 2021. "The Way Out: Reflections on Academia's Liberatory Possibilities." *Women, Gender, and Families of Color*. Available at: <https://womengenderandfamilies.ku.edu/uncategorized/crosstalk/the-way-out-reflections-on-academias-liberatory-possibilities/>.

ong, christina and Amy Zhang. 2021. "Research Report & Resources for Disentangling Anti-Asian Violence." The AAPI COVID-19 Project. [www.tinyurl.com/ACPMar2021Report](http://www.tinyurl.com/ACPMar2021Report).

Bloom, Joshua and christina ong. 2018. "Les Black Panthers prennent les armes." Translated by Huguette Meunier. *L'Histoire*, (n. 445). March 2018.

## COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS

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<b>The Virtual Asian American Art Museum (VAAAM)</b> <i>The Basement Workshop Exhibit Co-Curator and Researcher</i>	<b>Virtual</b> June 2021 – Current
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Serve as a co-curator and researcher for the Basement Workshop component of a physical museum exhibit to be displayed at the Mori Art Museum in Tokyo, Japan in June 2021. Working in collaboration with Dr. Alexandra Chang, Art History, Rutgers University and Yvonne Fang, Independent Designer, Shanghai. This project is guided by my theoretical interests in placemaking processes influenced by Chinatown arts/activism.

<b>The AAPI COVID-19 Project (ACP)</b> <i>Project Manager; Qualitative Committee Co-Lead</i> <a href="https://www.aapicovid19.org/">https://www.aapicovid19.org/</a>	<b>Virtual</b> Mar. 2020 – Current
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Serve as the project manager for a multi-methods, interdisciplinary research project examining the impacts of COVID-19 on Asian, Asian American, Pacific Islander, and Native Hawaiian communities in the United States. Oversee 12 core team members across 8 research and teaching universities, and develop research agenda for qualitative aspects of the study.

## **RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS**

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“Responding to Anti-Asian Racism: Lessons from the 1970s – Building Community in New York City’s Chinatown,” *Advancing Justice: Responses to Anti-Asian Racism in the U.S.* Harvard University Asia Center. Virtual. Apr. 1, 2021.

<https://youtu.be/nhqTDnIDWug?t=1862>

"The Basement Workshop: Examining Asian American Movement Ideology through Black Internationalist Frameworks," *Movements and Inequalities: Asian American Perspectives Roundtable.* American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Virtual. August 2020.

“Asian American Identity and Art as Activism”, *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting.* New York City, NY. August 9 – 11, 2019.

“Out of the Basement: Forging Asian American Identity Through the Basement Workshop”, *University of Pittsburgh Graduate Expo.* Pittsburgh, PA. March 2019.

“From Out of the Basement: The Basement Workshop and Formation of Asian American Identity”, *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting.* Boston, MA. March 2019.

Howell, Junia and christina ong. “Moving Out ≠ Moving Up: The Divergent Influence of Ethnic Enclaves on Asian, Latinx, Black and White Residents”, *Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting.* Philadelphia, PA. August 2018.

“Podcasting for Representation: On the Intersectional Identity Formation of Feminist Girlhood and Race”, *Playing with Childhood in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Conference.* Pittsburgh, PA. April 2018.

“Online Platforms to Connect Displaced Populations with Higher Education”, *World Innovation Summit for Education Bi-Annual Conference.* Doha, Qatar. November 14 – 16, 2017.

Monroe, Kristen, Vazquez Mora, Itzel and christina ong. “Democracy Under Stress: Learning from the Distant Past”, *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting.* San Francisco, CA. August 31– September 3, 2017. (Presented by Kristen Monroe).

“Girlhood Studies on Nonviolence”, *Mobilization Conference.* San Diego, CA. May 2017.

“Activist Identity & Motivations in Social Movements”, *UCI Ethics Workshop Series.* Irvine, CA. June 2016.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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**Pitt School of Engineering, Organizational Innovation Lab**  
*Graduate Student Assistant*

**Pittsburgh, PA**  
*Aug. 2019 – May 2020*

**World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE)**  
*WISE Learner’s Voice Program Fellow*

**Greece, Qatar, Spain, & Virtual**  
*Oct. 2016 – Nov. 2017*

**UCI Center for Ethics and Morality**  
*Tobis Fellow*

**Irvine, CA**  
*Oct. 2015 – June 2017*

**UCI Center for Citizen Peacebuilding**  
*Research Assistant*

**Irvine, CA**  
*Mar. 2013 – Dec. 2013*

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#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Virtual**  
*Teaching Fellow, Race Around the World (Summer Session)* *June 2021 – Aug. 2021*

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Virtual**  
*Teaching Fellow, Introduction to Sociology (Summer Session)* *June 2020 – Aug. 2020*

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Pittsburgh, PA**  
*Teaching Assistant, Societies 0005* *Sept. 2018 – Apr. 2019*

**UCI Student Affairs** **Irvine, CA**  
*Costa Rica Program Student Coordinator* *Oct. 2013 – June 2014*

**UCI Office of Undecided & Undeclared Students** **Irvine, CA**  
*University Studies I Discussion Leader* *Mar. 2013 – Jan. 2014*

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#### DIGITAL PROJECTS

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**Out of the Basement: Digital Exhibit** **Virtual**  
*Technical Director; Curator; Project Manager* *Aug. 2020 – Current*  
<http://thebasementworkshop.reclaim.hosting/>

Serve as the technical director, curator, and project manager for an independently published digital exhibit about the Basement Workshop in accompaniment of my master's and dissertation research. This project is currently undergoing consistent iteration as the dissertation develops.

**Seats at the Table** **Virtual**  
*Podcast Creator & Host* *Mar. 2017 – Dec. 2020*  
<https://seatsatthetable.com/>

Creator of a podcast elevating the narratives of activist and immigrant women in the United States. Served as producer, interviewer, and editor for two seasons of podcast content.

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#### DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

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**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Virtual**  
*Teaching Sociology Online Workshop Facilitator* *Aug. 7, 2020*

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Pittsburgh, PA**  
*Mentor for First Year Sociology Ph.D. Student* *June 2020 - Current*

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Pittsburgh, PA**  
*Race in the Classroom II Workshop Facilitator* *Mar. 22, 2019*

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Pittsburgh, PA**  
*Sociology Speaker Series Committee Member* *Sept. 2019 – May 2020*

**University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology** **Pittsburgh, PA**

<i>Sociology Graduate Student Organization Representative</i>	<i>Sept. 2018 – Aug. 2019</i>
<b>University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology</b>	<b>Pittsburgh, PA</b>
<i>Mentor for First Year Sociology Ph.D. Student</i>	<i>Sept. 2018 – Aug. 2019</i>

**OUTREACH AND EXTERNAL SERVICE**

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<b>American Sociological Association, Student Forum Advisory Board</b>	<b>Virtual</b>
<i>SFAB Elected Board Member</i>	<i>Aug. 2021 – Current</i>
<i>Awards Committee and SFAB Secretary</i>	
<b>American Sociological Association</b>	<b>Virtual</b>
<i>Annual Meeting Refereed Roundtable Reviewer</i>	<i>July 2021 – Aug. 2021</i>
<b>Unlearning Racisms Reflection Group</b>	<b>Virtual</b>
<i>Co-Creator &amp; Facilitator</i>	<i>June 2020</i>
<b>University of Pittsburgh, Global Hub and Asian Studies Center</b>	<b>Pittsburgh, PA</b>
<i>Co-Coordinator &amp; Moderator: The Making of PBS ‘Asian Americans’</i>	
<i>APIA Month Activism Panel Discussion</i>	<i>May 2020</i>
<b>University of Pittsburgh, Global Hub</b>	<b>Pittsburgh, PA</b>
<i>Co-Coordinator: Intersectional Feminist Perspectives Conversation Series</i>	<i>Mar. 2020</i>
<b>University of Pittsburgh, Pitt in Greece Summer Program</b>	<b>Pittsburgh, PA &amp; Greece</b>
<i>Program Assistant</i>	<i>Apr. 2019 – June 2019</i>

**WORKSHOPS AND INVITED TALKS**

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“Beyond the ‘Talk Show’ Podcast: An Introduction to Audio Narrative Storytelling.” Center for Creativity. University of Pittsburgh. Virtual. Nov. 11, 2021.

“Curation in a Digital Age: Assembling and Creating Digital Exhibits of Asian American Media Trends.” Sociology of Asian America - Guest Workshop for Dr. Vivian Shaw. Vanderbilt University. Virtual. Sept. 24, 2021.

“How Asians and Asian Americans Are Navigating the Pandemic: Findings from the AAPI COVID-19 Project.” Motorola Solutions Inc. Virtual. May 18, 2021.

“The AAPI COVID-19 Project Informational Discussion.” Oakland Global Shapers Meeting. Virtual. Mar. 20, 2021.

“How AAPIs Are Cultivating Community Care: Findings from the AAPI COVID-19 Project.” IMUSE Conference. MIT China Development Initiative. Virtual. Jan. 28, 2021.

“Podcasting as Public Sociology.” Pre-conference Event. Sociologists for Women in Society Annual Meeting. Virtual. Jan. 21, 2021.

“Processing the Pandemic: The AAPI COVID-19 Project Overview and Preliminary Findings.” Committee on Ethnicity, Migration, Rights. Harvard University. Virtual. Oct. 27, 2020.

“POC and the Ph.D.: Academia by and for Graduate Students of Color.” Professional Development Workshop, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Virtual. Aug. 2020.

“COVID-19 and the Asian American Pacific Islander Community.” Unite Our Nation by

Empowering Equality APA Heritage Month Event Series, U.S. Department of Commerce. Virtual. May 28, 2020.

“Asian Americans and Representations in Art & Media.” SYD3700 Minorities in American Society - Guest Lecture for Dr. Harvey Nicholson. University of Florida. Virtual. Mar. 12, 2020.

“Whose Ivory Tower?: People of Color Take on the Ph.D.” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. Feb. 29, 2020.

“Asian Americans and Representations in Art and Media.” Pittsburgh Racial Justice Summit. Pittsburgh, PA. Jan. 25, 2020.

“Art, Activism, and Asian American Identity: Lessons from the Early Days of Basement Workshop.” 21 Pell Street Education Series. New York City, NY. Aug. 23, 2019.  
<https://youtu.be/U9T48Yv5uAU>

Discussant for sponsored panel on “Entertainment/Social Media and Inequality.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York City, NY. Aug. 10 – 13, 2019.

## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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### University of Pittsburgh:

Andrew Mellon Predoctoral Fellowship	<i>Aug. 2021 – Apr. 2022</i>
Faculty-Student Collaborative Research Award (FSCRA)	<i>Aug. 2020 – Apr. 2021</i>
Arts & Sciences Travel Grant, \$200	<i>Jan. 2020</i>
Office of the Provost – Forge Your Own Path Student Grant, \$2,000	<i>Jan. – Apr. 2020</i>
Arts & Sciences Summer Research Fellowship, \$3,000	<i>May – Aug. 2019</i>
Arts & Sciences Summer Research Fellowship, \$3,000	<i>May – Aug. 2018</i>
Arts & Sciences Graduate Fellow, Social Movements Fellowship	<i>Aug. 2017 – Apr. 2018</i>

### The AAPI COVID-19 Project:

“AAPI Businesses and Workers during COVID-19: Recovery, Resilience, and Loss,” The Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative Grant, Harvard University (with Professors Vivian Shaw and Jason Beckfield), \$24,000	<i>2021</i>
“Asian American and Pacific Islander Businesses and Workers During COVID-19: Recovery, Resilience, and Loss,” COVID-19 Quick Response Research Grant, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder, \$3,500 (with Professor Vivian Shaw)	<i>2020</i>

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>UCI Center for Citizen Peacebuilding</b> <i>Program Coordinator</i>	<b>Irvine, CA</b> <i>Aug. 2016 – Mar. 2017</i>
<b>The Tiyya Foundation</b> <i>Advisory Council Member</i> <i>Program Development Director</i>	<b>Santa Ana, CA</b> <i>Oct. 2015 – Aug. 2017</i> <i>June 2014 – Oct. 2015</i>

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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Proficient in: Microsoft Office, Prezi, Canva, Slack, Airtable  
Qualitative Data Analysis: Atlas.ti, MaxQDA, ArcGIS Online

Social Media Platforms: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Mailchimp

Web Design: Wordpress, Squarespace

Audio Editing: Garageband, Adobe Audition

Photography: Headshots