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AACC Okihiro Library Fellow—Asian American Cultural Center

Mentor: Joliana Yee, Assistant Dean, Yale College & Director, Asian American Cultural Center, Asian American Cultural Center

Fellow Title: AACC Okihiro Library Fellow—Asian American Cultural Center

Organization Name: Asian American Cultural Center

Organization Website: <https://aacc.yalecollege.yale.edu/>

Organization Description:

The Asian American Cultural Center (AACC) plays a key role in ensuring the development and enhancement of Yale University’s commitment to the Asian and Asian American communities. The AACC seeks to build a dynamic Asian and Asian American presence at Yale, support student exploration of their identity development, and empower them to take an active role in shaping their learning experiences. The AACC is committed to engaging the Asian and Asian American student body, Yale University, and the greater New Haven community in the learning and celebration of cultures, traditions, and issues related to the varied experiences of the Asian diaspora.

GPE Fellow Responsibilities:

For the 2025-26 academic year, the Asian American Cultural Center (AACC) is seeking a graduate student fellow to take lead on the ongoing curation of its Okihiro Library collection located on the 3rd floor at 295 Crown St., which contains the largest collection of Asian American Studies texts outside of a formal library made possible by the generous donation of the late Professor Gary Y. Okihiro. In close consultation with the AACC Director, the fellow will also have the opportunity to develop resources and events related to the Okihiro Library collection that meet the needs of currently enrolled students and furthers the AACC mission. This would include, but is not limited to:

- Attending AACC Center Staff and Graduate Student Staff meetings on a weekly basis.
 - Organizing the Okihiro Library collection on a weekly basis.
 - Creating and implementing a minimum of three educational events/initiatives per semester.
- Collaborations with campus and/or New Haven partners are encouraged.

-Engaging with students to assess needs and implement new initiatives to ensure that the Okihiro Library collection is a well utilized, communal resource.

Desired GPE Fellow Qualifications:

Strong written and oral communication skills are required, along with initiative and organization. We welcome applications from all academic backgrounds (no experience with academic research in race is required); however, we encourage applicants whose research work intersects with the Asian diaspora. This opportunity is well-suited for individuals with an interest in growing national conversations around Asian American identity, history, and its utility in ongoing racial justice movements domestically and abroad. Willingness to work independently as well as part of a large team is important. Experience working with undergraduate students is preferred.

GPE Fellow Learning Objectives:

This is a unique opportunity to learn about the inner workings of the third oldest Asian American cultural center on a college campus in the United States as well as gain exposure to the vast impact Asian Americans had at Yale and beyond. This is an excellent opportunity for mentorship with our director, who has mentored many graduate students who have gone on to careers in teaching or administration at higher education institutions across the United States. The selected fellow will also gain firsthand experience with event planning for the broader Yale community.

Number of Available Positions: 1