

## SAPAAC September 2020 Newsletter

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#### Upcoming Events

- Virtual 2020 Stanford Asian Pacific Alumni Summit (vSAPAS), 9/26
- Diverse Alumni End-of-Summer & New Alumni Welcome Happy Hour, 10/15

#### Community Spotlight

- SAPAAC Outstanding Senior Award

#### Get Involved with SAPAAC!

- SAPAAC Board Elections results pending
- Want to host an event?
- Volunteer for a committee!

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Stanford Asian Pacific Alumni Summit (vSAPAS)**

**Saturday, Sep. 26, 9 AM -12 Noon Pacific Time**

Virtual event via Zoom, Free to attend

Details at [www.sapaac.org/sapas2020](http://www.sapaac.org/sapas2020)

The 2020 Summit enables alumni to learn from and connect with others, to hear about intellectual and professional endeavors of Stanford alumni, and find opportunities for collaboration. U.S. Representative Ted Lieu '91 is confirmed as our keynote speaker! There will be two other panels

featuring Stanford alumni on U.S.- China relations and on health and society. This free event has reached capacity of 500 people, but we are accepting names on the [SAPAS Wait List](#).

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## Diverse Alumni End-of-Summer & New Alumni Welcome Happy Hour

Thursday, Oct. 15, 5 PM - 6 PM Pacific Time

Free virtual event

Register [through SAA here](#).

Calling all 2020 graduates and recent alums: Join the diverse alumni club community for our first-ever end-of-summer bash and virtual happy hour! Bring a beverage and stop by to reconnect with Stanford classmates, make new friends, and celebrate with the diverse alumni community. We'll start with an overview of diverse alumni clubs, and then have opportunities for small group mingling and socializing. This is a great opportunity to meet other alumni and learn more about diverse alumni clubs. All alumni are welcome!

Co-hosted by: First-gen and/or Low-income Alumni Network (FLAN), Stanford Latino Alumni Association (SLAA), Stanford Asian Pacific American Alumni Club (SAPAAC), Stanford National Black Alumni Association (SNBAA), Stanford Pride (LGBTQ+)

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### COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

#### SAPAAC Outstanding Senior Award

The SAPAAC Board is happy to announce that Mimi (My) Nguyen has been chosen to be the Outstanding Senior for 2020. Get to know My a little better in her own words below. Congratulations My!



*As a first-generation, low-income student from Memphis, TN, I entered Stanford with a goal to explore and better understand the intersectionality of my identity as a Vietnamese American woman. The Stanford API community has given me the opportunity to make an impact through personal leadership development and has sparked my passion for Southeast Asian American community advocacy. In addition to staffing at the A3C for all 4 years, I served as co-chair of both the Stanford Vietnamese Student Association (SVSA) and Mua Lac Hong (MLH), volunteered as a Vietnamese Interpreter in East San Jose, organized workshops at the Listen to the Silence (LTS) Conference, and helped start the 22 Percent Campaign.*

*I'm beyond grateful for my life changing mentors: Cindy, Jerald, and Latana as I begin my next chapter pursuing my Master's in Public Health (MPH) at the Emory Rollins School of Public Health with a concentration in Behavioral, Social, and Health Education Sciences (BSHES). I will highlight underrepresented narratives to combat these social inequities that disproportionately affect communities of color as exacerbated by COVID-19. I'm committed to pursuing an engaging and meaningful career to address health disparities and advocate for community empowerment as a future public health professional working with marginalized immigrant and refugee communities.*

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## GET INVOLVED!

\*\* The polls have closed for the recent SAPAAC Board Elections. Look for an announcement with the results later this month!

\*\* The virtual space has opened up the possibilities for any SAPAAC member to host an event. If you have an idea, please reach out to us!

\*\* Do you want to have an impact on Asian American alumni? Work with any of our working committees, which focus on organizing events, advocating for Asian American issues within the university, managing communication channels and growing our membership.

Contact [sapaac@alumni.stanford.edu](mailto:sapaac@alumni.stanford.edu) for more details.

## CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

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Jay (Jacob) Wang '72

Angela Zhang '16

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