

ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER YOUTH: SELECTED ARTICLES AND RESEARCH

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ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY:

ASIAN YOUTH CULTURE AND IDENTITY FORMATION

Ascher, Carol. 1989. "Southeast Asian Adolescents: Identity and Adjustment". Eric Digest. Number 51.

Examines the experience of Southeast Adolescent Refugees including:

- ❑ *Dual task of dealing with identity development of adolescence and refugee*
- ❑ *School success and challenges*
- ❑ *Prejudice*
- ❑ *Pace of assimilation*
- ❑ *Symptoms of stress*
- ❑ *Parent involvement*

Espiritu, Yen Le.; Rony, Dorothy., Kibria, Nazli.; Lipsitz, George. 2000. "The Role of Race and its Articulations for Asian Pacific Americans". Journal of Asian American Studies. 3:2 (127-137).

An overview on the attempts to create a social movement to combat racism by creating "pan-Asian" solidarity and identity. Looks at current state of the struggle from the viewpoints of various authors and activists.

Grace, Matt. 1997. "Asians Suffer Under Model-Minority Myth". ASUCLA Communications Board.

A student editorial examines the affects of the "model-minority" myth on Asian students.

Ghuman, Paul. 2002. "Asian Adolescents".

Kim, Angela.; Yeh, Christine. 2002. "Stereotypes of Asian American Students". Eric Digest. Number 172.

Identifies general and "model minority" stereotypes and the related social and psychological affects on Asian American youth.

Lowe, Lisa. 1998. "The Power of Culture". Journal of Asian American Studies. 1:1 (5-29).

This article provides an overview of the politics of culture and specific policies related to Asian Americans.

Maira, Sunaina. 2000. "Henna and Hip Hop: The Politics of Cultural Production and the Work of Cultural Studies". Journal of Asian American Studies. 3:3 (329-369).

Using a cultural studies model, this article examines how youth culture utilizes cross-cultural consumption to create, act out, or reject cultural or gender identities. Specifically this article examines the identification of many Asian youth with “hip-hop” or African American culture and the reactions of young Asian women to the increasing mainstream popularity of some aspects of Asian culture. This article also looks at:

- ❑ *Hip-Hop and masculinity*
- ❑ *The racial politics of “cool”*
- ❑ *Appropriation of South Asian culture by the white culture*

Park, Edward.; Park, John. 1999. “A New American Dilemma?: Asian Americans and Latinos in Race Theorizing”. Journal of Asian American Studies. 2:3 (289-309).

Discusses contemporary race theory and related multiracial complexities. This article specifically discusses the dominant dialectic of race relations between African Americans and Whites and the affects of putting Latinos and Asian Americans in the middle, being compared variously to both groups, rather than being seen as having a distinctive identity. This article also discusses the political implications of these multiracial realities.

Ropp, Steven. 2000. “Secondary Migration and the Politics of Identity for Asian Latinos in Los Angeles”. Journal of Asian American Studies. 3:2 (219-229).

Primary research question is “what does the Asian Latino experience tell us about race and identity politics in the Americas?”. Report is primarily descriptive and exploratory.

Tonks, Randall.; Paranjpe, Anand. 2000. “Identity, Youth, and Immigration: Narratives of Acculturation and Adjustment”. Simon Fraser University. Burnaby, B.C., Canada.

This article addresses issues of acculturation among Asian youth in Canada.

- ❑ *Acculturation attitudes*
- ❑ *Ego-Identity status*
- ❑ *ESL*
- ❑ *Family type*
- ❑ *Stress*
- ❑ *Social support*
- ❑ *Gender*
- ❑ *Conclusions and recommendations*

Ting, Jennifer. 1998. “The Power of Sexuality”. Journal of Asian American Studies. 1:1 (65-82).

This article examines the interplay between Asian American culture and ideas about sexuality. Specifically it examines how culture shapes ideas of “sexual desirability” and how acculturation and internalized racism affect interracial dating.

Zhou, Min.; Bankston, Carl. 2000. “Straddling Two Worlds: The Experience of Vietnamese Refugee Children in the United States”. *Urban Division Series No. 111*. Eric Clearinghouse on Urban Education. Institute for Urban and Minority Education.

Examines the experience of Vietnamese refugees, from displacement to acculturation. Examines the following:

- ❑ *Displacement – Leaving Vietnam*
 - *Vietnam War*
 - *Exodus and refugee camps*
 - *U.S. policies regarding Vietnamese refugees*
- ❑ *Resettlement*
 - *Preimmigration characteristics of refugees*
 - *Neighborhoods and schools*
 - *Current state of Vietnamese American youth*
 - *Segmented assimilation*
- ❑ *The Rebuilding of the Family and Ethnic Community*
 - *Traditional Vietnamese families in American environment*
 - *Family values and morality in social relations*
 - *System of multiple social integration*
- ❑ *Acculturation and its Variants*
 - *Language*
 - *Bicultural conflicts between home and school*
 - *Gender roles*
 - *Ethnic Involvement*
- ❑ *Practical Implications and Recommendations*

Zhou, Min.; Bankston, Carl. 2000. “The Biculturation of the Vietnamese Student”. Eric Digest. Number 152, March 2000.

Examines the experience of bicultural Vietnamese students. Examines the following:

- ❑ *Vietnamese commitment to their native culture*
- ❑ *Intergenerational conflicts*
 - *Parental authority*
 - *Modes of punishment*
 - *Views on American culture*
 - *Role reversals*
 - *Gender roles*

ASIAN AMERICAN STUDENTS AND EDUCATION

Bempechat, Janine.; Omori, Miya. 1990. "Meeting the Educational Needs of Southeast Asian Children". Eric Digest. Number 68.

This article examines:

- ❑ *Immigration history*
- ❑ *Cultural influences on child rearing practices*
- ❑ *Psychosocial development*
- ❑ *Educational issues*

Cheng, Li-Rong Lilly. 1998. "Enhancing the Communication Skills of Newly Arrived Asian American Students". Eric Digest. Number 136.

This article examines:

- ❑ *Challenges for Asian/Pacific Islanders children and their teachers*
- ❑ *Strategies for overcoming cultural differences between educators and students*
- ❑ *Classroom strategies for improving APA student discourse skills*
- ❑ *Strategies for making connections with newcomer families*

Feng, Jianhua. 1994. "Asian American Children: What Teachers Should Know". Eric Clearinghouse on Elementary and Early Childhood Education.

This article examines:

- ❑ *Asian American Children – "Whiz Kids" stereotype*
- ❑ *How do Asian American children differ from other children?*
- ❑ *How can teachers help Asian American children?*

Goodwin, A Lin. 1995. "Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Teaching". Eric Digest. Number 104.

Examines trends of API students' career choices and implications for recruiting more API students to the teaching field.

Kao, Grace. 1999. "Racial Identity and Academic Performance: An Examination of Biracial Asian and African American Youth". Journal of Asian American Studies. 2:3 (223-249).

This article examines previous research on biracial individuals and their identity constructs. For the purposes of this study, the researcher attempts to compare self-esteem and academic performance for biracial and monoracial Asian and African American youth.

ASIAN YOUTH AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Dihn, Khanh.; Sarason, Barbara.; Sarason, Irwin. 1996. "Parent-Child Relationships and Acculturation Conflicts in Asian American Families". Eric Clearinghouse on Urban Education.

This study examines both parent and child reports on the quality of parent-child relationships and their associations with various characteristics of parent and child acculturation.

Huang, Gary. 1993. "Beyond Culture: Communicating with Asian American Children and Families". Eric Digest. Number 94.

This article gives an overview of various Asian cultural subgroups and also addresses:

- ❑ *API cultures and communication*
 - *Overt culture (belief system and language)*
 - *Hidden culture (time and communication)*
- ❑ *API background and life experience*
- ❑ *Suggestions for practitioners*
 - *Personal reflection*
 - *Partnerships with community organizations*
 - *General communication*
 - *Information gathering*
 - *Parent involvement*
 - *Overcoming stereotypes of API's*
 - *Accurate evaluation of children*

Shen, Wenju; Mo, Weimin. 1990. "Reaching Out to Their Cultures: Building Communications with Asian American Families". Eric Clearinghouse on Urban Education.

This article addresses:

- ❑ *Reality and fantasy of Asian American youth image*
- ❑ *Allegiance to family – cultural obligation of Asian youth*
- ❑ *"Work Works" – Asian American parent's belief systems*
- ❑ *Parents sacrifices and guilt induction*
- ❑ *Stereotyped images and unrealistic expectations*
- ❑ *Recommendations*

Verna, Marilyn.; Campbell, James. "The Differential Effects of Family Processes and SES on Academic Self-Concepts and Achievement of Gifted Asian American and Gifted Caucasian High School Students". Eric Clearinghouse on Urban Education.

This article addresses:

- ❑ *The effects of home environment on academic achievement*
- ❑ *The interconnections between ability, motivation, and home environment on academic achievement*

- ❑ *The interconnections between socioeconomic status, family processes, and self-concept on academic achievement*

Zhang, Shu Ya.; Carrasquillo, Angela. 1995. "Chinese Parent's Influence on Academic Performance". New York State Association for Bilingual Education Journal. Volume 10, (46-53).

This article addresses:

- ❑ *Chinese Culture: influence on student's education*
- ❑ *Parents' influence*

DELINQUENCY AND VIOLENCE AMONG ASIAN YOUTH

Kamat, Leena. 2002. "Sexual Violence in the South Asian Youth Community". A Study Initiated at the University of California at Berkeley. Funded by a President's Undergraduate Research Fellowship.

This article gives an overview of the South Asian diaspora, sexual violence in general and the findings of a survey distributed to 285 South Asian youth regarding their attitudes regarding sexuality, morality, and culture.

Kodluboy, Donald. "Asian Youth Gangs: Basic Issues for Educators". National Alliance of Gang Investigators Associations.

This article examines:

- ❑ *Prevalence of gang involvement*
- ❑ *Asian gang stereotypes*
- ❑ *Basic cultural issues*
- ❑ *Approaches to use with Asian youth*
- ❑ *Program development*
- ❑ *School safety and gangs*

Le, Thao. 2002. "Delinquency Among Asian/Pacific Islanders: Review of Literature and Research". National Council on Crime and Delinquency. Oakland, CA.

This article reviews 34 studies on the involvement of API in the juvenile justice system. Findings and factors discussed include:

- ❑ *Psychological factors*
- ❑ *Victimization*
- ❑ *Acculturation and cultural conflict*
- ❑ *Peer and family relations*
- ❑ *Psychocultural elements*
- ❑ *Integration failure*
- ❑ *Ecology and social structure*

- *Immigration process*
- *Resiliency and protection*
- *Current research limitations*
- *Recommendations*