

VICTORIA THUYLINH PHAM

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EDUCATION

September 2021-Present PhD Candidate, History, Northwestern University (advisor, Dr. Ji-Yeon Yuh)

Major Field: Global Migration, Refugee Resettlement and Settler Colonialism

Minor Field: Gender and Sexuality

Specialized Field: Asian American Studies

June 2021 BA, History and Literature/Writing, University of California, San Diego

Honors History Thesis with Highest Distinction (advisor, Dr. Simeon Man)

Honors Literature Thesis with Highest Distinction (advisor, Dr. Erin Suzuki)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- U.S. militarism and empire; race and ethnicity; settler colonialism; Asian diaspora; global refugee history; oral history; queer theory

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- “Indigeneity and Statelessness: The Montagnards of Greensboro,” *Radical History Review*, Special Issue: Unsettling Homelands: Radical Histories of the (Ethno)Nation-State (2028). Invited for full paper submission.
- “Agent Orange: Biopolitics, Monstrosity, and Silencing of the Refugee Figure,” *American Quarterly*, Special Issue: Heredity (2027). Invited for full paper submission.
- “Aloha Refugees: Vietnamese Resettlement and Militarization in Hawai‘i,” *Critical Ethnic Studies*, 10:1 (2026). Forthcoming.

CREATIVE WRITING

- “this is for me: Jackfruit,” *diaCRITICS*, April 2026.
<https://diacritics.org/2026/04/jackfruit/>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

WTR/SPR 2027	Instructor of Record, INTL ST 395: The Refugee in Global Discourse
Summer 2026	Co-Instructor of Record, Exploring the Liberal Arts for Summer Bridge
Winter 2026	Instructor of Record, CFS 393: Field Studies in the Modern Workplace
Spring 2025	Teaching Assistant, AS AM 247: Asian Americans and Pop Culture
Winter 2025	Teaching Assistant, AS AM 276: Asian American Comics
Fall 2024	Teaching Assistant, AS AM 210: Intro to Asian American Studies
Winter 2023	Teaching Assistant, AS AM 214: Asian American History
Fall 2022	Teaching Assistant, HIST 300: Global History of Refugees

WORK EXPERIENCE

2025-Present Managing Director of 40th Anniversary Planning at the Women's Center, Northwestern University

- Collaborate with campus partners and organize the anniversary planning and calendar of events for the Women's Center's 40th Anniversary

2024-Present Graduate Assistant for APIDA Students at the Multicultural Student Center, Northwestern University

- Assist the Assistant Director with development, implementation, and improvement of programs for APIDA students as well as advise undergraduate APIDA orgs

2024-2025 Administrative Assistant at the Women's Center, Northwestern University

- Coordinate event planning, scheduling, correspondence, budgeting, and other administrative duties

2022-Present Facilitator and Consultant for "VAI Roots," Vietnamese Association of Illinois

- Facilitate in-person workshops and webinars on topics of interest to the Vietnamese community in Chicago such as refugee resettlement, mutual aid, and history of Uptown

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- April 2025 “Vietnamese Repatriates: The Forgotten Exiles of the Vietnam War,” *Association for Asian American Studies*, The Westin Seaport Hotel, Boston.
- April 2024 “Fort Indiantown Gap: A Site of Contingency,” *Association for Asian American Studies*, Grand Sheraton Hotel, Seattle.
- Nov. 2022 “Oral Histories: A Site of Remembrance and Identity Formation,” *PAMLA*, University of California, Los Angeles, Luskin Conference Center.

AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

- 2025-Present Chair, History Graduate Teaching Committee, Northwestern
- 2025-Present Graduate Teaching Fellow at Searle Center, Northwestern
- 2025-Present Graduate Associate for the Residential College of Cultural and Community Studies, Northwestern
- 2021-Present Mellon Fellow in Comparative Race and Diaspora, Northwestern
- 2020-2021 Chair, Asian & Pacific-Islander Student Alliance, UCSD
- 2020-2021 Co-President, API for the Arts and Humanities, UCSD
- 2020-2021 Board Member, Student Promoted Access Center for Education and Service, UCSD
- 2020-2021 Undergraduate Student Body Representative, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Council, UCSD
- 2019-2020 Chief of Staff of Associated Students’ Office of DEI, UCSD
- 2019-2021 Vice President Internal, It’s On Us, UCSD

AWARDS

- 2026 International Studies Interdisciplinary Graduate Assistantship at Northwestern
- 2026 Chabreja Center for Historical Studies Summer Public History Fellowship (\$3,000)
- 2025 Chicago Field Studies Interdisciplinary Graduate Assistantship at Northwestern
- 2025 Council for Race and Ethnic Studies at Northwestern Research Grant (\$1,500)
- 2025 Asian American Studies Program at Northwestern Research Grant (\$1,500)
- 2025 Community Leadership Award from the Vietnamese Association of Illinois
- 2024 Asian American Studies Interdisciplinary Graduate Assistantship at Northwestern
- 2024 Comparative Race and Diaspora Cluster Research Grant (\$1,000)
- 2024 Alice Kaplan Public Humanities Practicum Fellowship

- 2023 Alseth Fund Summer Language Grant for Vietnamese (\$2,500)
- 2023 Chabraja Center for Historical Studies Summer Public History Fellowship (\$3,000)
- 2022 Alseth Fund Summer Language Grant for Vietnamese (\$2,000)
- 2021 Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Celebration Essay Contest (\$1,000)