

**CURRICULUM VITAE**  
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**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**Assistant Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago**  
Fall 2002- Present  
Department of African American Studies  
Department of English

**Lecturer, UC San Diego**  
Department of Literature, Winter 2000  
*Introduction to Asian American Literature*

**EDUCATION**

**University of California, San Diego**  
Ph.D. Department of Literature, 2003

**University of California, Berkeley**  
B.A. – Department of Ethnic Studies, 1993  
B.A. – Department of English, 1992

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Asian American Cultural Politics; U.S. Multiethnic Literature;  
African American literature; Race and Incarceration; Citizenship and National Culture

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Articles**

Jun, Helen. "Black Orientalism: 19<sup>th</sup> Century Narratives of Race and U.S. Citizenship,"  
*American Quarterly*. 58:4 (Dec 2006): 1046-1066.

Jun, Helen. "Contingent Nationalisms: Re-negotiating Borders in Korean and Korean  
American Women's Oppositional Struggles" in *New Formations, New Questions: Asian  
American Studies*, a special issue of *positions: east asia cultures critique*. 5:2 (Fall  
1997): 325-55.

### **Works in Progress:**

Jun Helen. Race for Citizenship: Asian American and African American Cultural Politics (book manuscript under review)

Jun, Helen. "Family Matters: Relational Discourses of Asian American and African American Citizenship after 1965" (article under review for Strange Affinities anthology )

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

UIC Institute for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship, 2005-2006

UI Urbana-Champaign Asian American Studies Postdoctoral Fellow, 2004-2005 *declined*

University of California Fellowship for the Humanities, 1999

UC San Diego, deCerteau Predoctoral Fellowship in Literature, 1998

### **EDITORSHIPS**

*Critical Mass: A Journal of Asian American Cultural Criticism*, Special Issue, Producing Global Subjects: U.S. Militarization, Education, Medicalization, Fall 1998

### **INVITED TALKS**

"Comparative Race Scholarship: Orientalism and Black Feminist Discourse of Anna Julia Cooper"

Colloquium for Asian American Studies  
Cornell University, October 2006

"Differential Racializations and the Politics of Inclusion"

Asian Pacific American Month Address  
Washington State University, April 2006

### **INTERVIEWS**

"A Conversation with Grace Lee Boggs"

Jane Addams Hull-House Museum  
recorded November 10, 2006, WBEZ

### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

"U.S. Ethnic Studies after 9/11"

International Cultural Studies Annual Conference, July 2006  
Istanbul Turkey

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, cont.**

“The Refugee and the American: Discourses of Black and Vietnamese Displacement after Hurricane Katrina”

Institute for the Humanities Fellow Presentation  
University of Illinois, Chicago March 2006

“Black Deviance and Narratives of Asian American Femininity in Ronyoung Kim’s Clay Walls”

MESEA: The Society for Multiethnic Societies, Europe and the Americas Annual Conference, April 2006  
Pamplona, Spain

“9/11, Liberalism, and the New Face of U.S. Nationalism”

American Studies Association Annual Conference, Nov 2005  
Washington D.C.

“The Colored Entrance and The Open Door: 19<sup>th</sup> Century Black Citizenship and the Anti-Chinese Movement”

Asian Americans and the Law Conference, Feb 2005  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“From the Rubble of Los Angeles: Uprising, Downsizing, and the New Politics of Cultural Difference,”

Annual Conference of American Studies Association Annual Conference, October 2003  
Boston, MA

Korean/American Nationalisms: Minjung Nationalism and the Asian American Movement”

Annual Conference of Association of Asian American Studies Annual Conference 1997  
Seattle, Washington

“Histories of Colonialism and Imperialism: Korean/American Women Workers.”

Conference Presentation, San Diego  
Association of Asian American Studies Regional Conference, 1996  
San Diego, California

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Studies Association  
Association of Asian American Studies  
Society of Multiethnic Studies in Europe and the Americas  
Association for Cultural Studies  
National Council of Teachers of English

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Introduction to 20<sup>th</sup> Century African American Literature  
Introduction to Literary Study and Critical Method  
Topics in Asian American Literature  
Special Topics: Blacks and Asians in the U.S. National Body  
Special Topics: Multiracial Narratives of Female Entrapment  
Cultural Politics of Race and Incarceration  
American Literature since WW II  
Graduate Seminar in Multiethnic Literature  
Graduate Seminar in Globalization, Race, and Culture