CLASS OF 2022
ASIAN PACIFIC GRADUATE
CELEBRATION
2022 USC ASIAN PACIFIC GRADUATE CELEBRATION

APASS Welcome
Peter Limthongviratn
Manager for Leadership and Education

Special Remarks and Introduction of President Folt
Dr. Monique Allard
Interim Vice President, USC Student Affairs

Presidential Remarks
Dr. Carol L. Folt
President, University of Southern California

APASA Remarks and Undergraduate Student Award Presentation
Jennifer Lee and Leon Zhai
Co-Directors, USC Asian Pacific American Student Assembly

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award
Veronica Yu
B.A. History, B.S. Biological Sciences

Student Performance
León Hua

APAA Remarks and Graduate Student Award Presentation
Ada Yeh ’89
President, USC Asian Pacific Alumni Association

Outstanding Graduating Student Award
Brandon Lim
M.Ed. Postsecondary Administration and Student Affairs

Presentation of the Class of 2022
Ada Yeh ’89 and Grace Shiba ’77
USC Asian Pacific Alumni Association

Closing Remarks
John Iino ’87
President, USC Alumni Association Board of Governors

Class Photo
Dear Graduates,

Congratulations Class of 2022!

On behalf of the Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS) team, we are deeply honored to celebrate this momentous occasion with you. We are incredibly proud of all of your resilience, growth, and accomplishments during your time at USC! We also wanted to extend appreciation and gratitude to all of your family, friends, and community members for all of their love and support.

Throughout your time at USC, the APASS team strived to create transformative opportunities for you to develop leadership skills and a stronger sense of self-authorship. We hope that you were able to gain a deeper appreciation, understanding, and pride for your roots, histories, and identities. We believe these values and experiences will help propel you towards continual success. We are excited to see you continue living out your values, as you venture forward into the world and become trailblazers for your communities.

While you may be physically moving on from USC, please never forget that you are always a part of the Trojan and APASS Family. You are never alone and you will always have a vibrantly loving community wherever you go. Alumni are an important part of our family and there will be many ways for you to stay connected and make an impact on future generations.

Take care and Fight On!

Peter Limthongviratn
Manager for Leadership and Education

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Dear Class of 2022,

On behalf of the USC Asian Pacific Alumni Association (APAA), congratulations on your tremendous accomplishments!

Today, we welcome you to the Trojan Alumni Family. We gather with friends and relatives to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of our graduates, overcoming the many challenges of the past few years, and carrying the fighting spirit. We celebrate your grit and determination as you embark on this next journey of your lives.

The APAA has made great strides in recent years, and with your contributions as alumni, we look to continue making a positive impact in the world, shaping the future of our proud university.

We invite you to stay connected with the APAA and the USC Alumni Association, the gateways through which you will be able to access the robust resources the university has to offer. Whether your interest is to enhance your personal and professional networks; support the latest developments of your school or campus organization; or to give back by supporting a worthy APAA student through our scholarship endowment program, we are here to help. Our APAA Young Alumni Council is especially suited to provide you with the opportunity to make that initial connection with the entire alumni community.

We look forward to your continued involvement with your alma mater. As you start this new chapter, know that wherever you go, you will always be part of the Trojan Family, lifelong and worldwide.

Congratulations again, and as always—

Fight On!

Ada Yeh                                Grace Shiba
President, USC APAA           Executive Director, USC APAA
Veronica Yu
B.A. History, B.S. Biological Sciences

From Arcadia, California, Veronica is graduating from USC with a B.S. in Biological Sciences and a B.A. in History, concentrating in Asian History. In her undergraduate career, she has held leadership roles in Pre-Health Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association, Teach for Los Angeles, Vision for Vision, and Global Dental Brigades. Additionally, she has been involved in USC’s Delta Delta Sigma Pre-Dental Honor Society, Asian American Christian Fellowship, the USC Language Development Lab, and was honored to be an Asian Pacific Alumni Association scholar the last year.

After graduating, Veronica plans to attend dental school, working towards addressing health inequities in the APIDA community. Outside of school and work, she enjoys running, going on food adventures in LA, and traveling. Veronica is extremely grateful for all of her family, friends, and mentors, who have supported her throughout her time here at USC.

Brandon Lim
M.Ed. Postsecondary Administration and Student Affairs

Raised in San Diego, California, Brandon is a queer 3rd generation Filipino American. Outside of school, Brandon is passionate about music, writing, and cooking with friends and family. In 2020, he earned degrees in psychology and journalism-media studies from San Diego State University. As a first-generation graduate student, Brandon will graduate from USC with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Postsecondary Administration and Student Affairs within the Rossier School of Education.

In his time at USC, Brandon served as the Graduate Assistant at the Asian Pacific American Student Services Center (APASS), where he coordinated the first-year mentorship program, supervised the Queer and Trans Asian Pacific Islander Initiative, and collaborated with Residential Education and the LGBTQ+ Student Center to hold space for student development and identity exploration. As an aspiring student affairs professional and educator, Brandon intends to cultivate a career grounded in student empowerment, social justice, mental health advocacy, educational equity, and intersectional community building for APIDA, LGBTQIA+, and other underrepresented students in higher education.
2022 Asian & Pacific Islander Graduates (not pictured)

Anna Xiang
Pharmacology & Drug Development

Florence Yang
Computer Science

Mengyun Yi
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Veronica Yu
Bilingual Sciences; History

Xiaoli Yu
Communication Management; Business Administration

Samantha Zhang
International Relations & the Global Economy; Applied & Computational Mathematics

Angela Zheng
Accounting

Zixuan Zheng
Architecture

Jocel Dompins Agojo

Florence Yang

Mengyun Yi

Veronica Yu

Xiaoli Yu

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Stay connected to through USC Asian Pacific Alumni Association (APAA) programs.
USC APAA is proud to offer a diverse array of programs dedicated to young alumni.

To get news from us, update your e-mail preferences on FightOnline! by selecting “Asian Pacific Alumni Association” as your affinity.

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Grace Shiba, Executive Director, APAA
Eisen Yoon, Associate Director, APAA
Angela Teng, Assistant Director, APAA