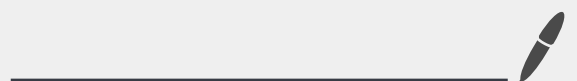


DH-150: Contextual Inquiry Field Notes



Background

3rd yr

- liberal HS

— intern: hate crimes art exhibit
policy X race intersection

read Joy Luck Club

— As Am literature class

taught by white Jewish teacher

- let students take reign, talk about their experiences
- safe space

Computer Use

- handwrite notes

- digital events, Canva Flyers for events

- 24/7: writing counselor to edit now essays

- virtual events

- ppt X not very adept @ setting up projectors, etc

- research tools ✓ familiar

club events online

- hard to coordinate
- cultural events
- AAP1 - Desi culture event
- gauging interests hard
- smaller orgs → hard to coordinate
- time zones → hard
- many 1:1 meetings

Activities outside of class

- 30-40mins exercise, shower
- create boundaries bwn work/entertain
- classes
- writing program meetings
- class
- making food takes a lot of time
- preparing meals @ home

night ① APC stuff

② research thesis

- public health X Chinese Am
- research

③ Netflix

★ coffee, matuna, caffeine

Most enjoyable activities:

- duties in APC (mother.org)
 - ♥ creating products + events
TANGIBLE
 - share w/ ppl of similar interests
- Santa Monica law assistant
 - ? will she return
 - meaningful, can apply knowledge - not just pushing papers
- job as writing counselor
 - interact w/ other diverse communities

Frustrations

- diff activities in diff spaces
 - ppl don't know how much is on your plate!
 - CPO: writing consulting
 - Santa Monica: legal
- mostly black + brown, hard to be E.
Asian woman
- diff leadership style w/ her & others

- don't want to perpetuate stereotype of AsAm.
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Push back on stereotype of E Asians as docile

- AA studies centered in academia

JARGON

disconnect w/ community

Leanne Wang

- Sociology + AAs
- black fem literature
- strong mentor figure

" To understand AAmerica, take
from other sources of
literature - "

" Explore other POVs & broaden
understand "

Search task

★ Thesis

"Anti-chinese laws in California"

- Google nav. bar straight in
chrome browser

ordinances

Anti-chinese ~~laws~~ in California

- prefers easy to consume media

go to
↑

① (PBS) good @ portraying info to
all ages

X ~~at~~ wikipedia

hard to siphon out relevance


✓ list out ordinances clearly +
briefly

- focus on 4 ordinances
in specifically

- chronological

② JSTOR

- connect to campus VPN

"Anti-Chinese California"  "movement"

- Response of Cal

- framed as Anti-Chinese

- Labor movement, political

- Xenophobia & relates

♥ she can save on Jstor

♥ can cite sources easily

1) sees

Tags: immigration

2) save JSTOR

Search X "Chinese & Public Health"

↳ adds "California on end"

↳ search again

→ chooses paper w/ keywords

- looked @ Author

Nayan Shah

- favorite author to read

[open new tab]

③ Google Scholar

"public health ordinances chinatown"

powerful titles

"Chinatown declared a
quarantine"

→ found time period from PBS

intern @ AA documentary series

- subscription

④

newspapers.com

"Chinatown california"

↓
early enclaves here, not any in NY yet

[switches back to refer to PBS
timeline]

- refine time period (1870s, based on PBS
- refine location (california) timeline)

X closed out of newspaper b/c

→ was on funerals

→ refined search terms to just
cntown
ordinances

to search for what you want
takes long time on newspapers.com

✓ place — san fran, near the ports
✓ area where 1st CNTown developed

zoom in on
scans of
old newspapers

* looking for descriptions of CNTown as
dirty and unfit to live in

✓ click on paper w/ "ordinance" appearing as
keyword

afterwards when she knows topic
well enough, go to Wikipedia
→ after gets info from trusted
sources

Anything couldn't find?

- depends on topic
- niche topic: public health
- 2 steps to searching for her thesis
 - Anti Asian sentiment
 - public health in CNTown

⑤ UCLA Library

- google searched "ucla library login"
- "anti chinese" in search

AA Professor sent out e-mail on sources

⑥ - publicbooks.org

- look @ liberal Presses

Cornell - good AA dept

- NYU

- U of Hawaii

all
potential
sources
(liberal)

actual
books
online

→ one by one
lookup

→ free for public

→ MUSE
database

how often search?

→ 1/day → for work-related stuff

remote job : project coordinator

APC : cultural events

- get inspo from other clubs

could also do in one day (or intersperse throughout week)

leisure searches

None! See a lot during work,

don't need to outside search this info

- watching online talks recently
MOCA

- subscribed to AA conferences + journals

- just appear in inbox, since she's attended them
- news

• niche things, if you wanna subscribe, you can

• need to sign up w/ initiative

most Useful source?

- hard to ask
- important vs. easy to digest

→ AA background
JSTOR

→ public use
AA advancing
justice

- AA PBS

✓ podcasts

- easy to consume
media

✓ netflix documentaries

- chinese food:

Social media?

"Ugly delicious"

- FB

- internships post a lot online
orgs

- easy to digest, targeted

- APC shares a lot

- she shares resources on her wall

• doesn't comment b/c she just wants
to share it - not have political stance

♡ very important to share resources
esp. in COVID (1st come 1st serve)

- ppl don't have access as fast
- be purposeful
- accessible

Dream source of info

- to know who needs it is hard
- disseminating is difficult
- AA orgs disseminate to specific pop
- collab w/ specific orgs to consolidate
into larger mediums
& digest info @ same time

HARD: e/ pop has diff + specific
needs