

# Kai Nham

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## Education

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### University of California, Los Angeles

Ph.D. in Information Studies

September 2021 – Present

### University of California, Berkeley

Master of Information and Data Science

August 2019 – May 2021

### University of California, Berkeley

B.A. with High Honors in Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies

August 2015 – August 2019

## Research Experience

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### Research Experience for Master's Students Fellow

University of Michigan School of Information

Project: "Trans Technologies' Current Landscape and Potential Futures: Trans Tech Creators' Perspectives"

Advisor: Dr. Oliver Haimson

June 2021 – Present

### Asian American Studies and Asian Diaspora Studies Honors Thesis

University of California, Berkeley

Project: "*Transpiration*: the Making of Asian American Transmasculinity"

Advisor: Dr. Lisa Hirai-Tsuchitani

August 2018 – May 2019

## Teaching Experience

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### Teaching Assistant

University of California, Berkeley

DATASCI W231: Behind the Data: Human and Values

Summer 2021

### Teaching Assistant

University of California, Berkeley

DATASCI W231: Behind the Data: Human and Values

Spring 2021

## Professional Experience

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### Program Manager

Creative Discovery Fellows – UC Berkeley American Cultures Center

May 2019 – May 2021

Berkeley, CA

- Managed four undergraduate students in developing student resources hub for navigating and using tools,

such as the Adobe Suite, and scaffolding the creative process for creating different multimedia projects, such as podcasts and infographics.

- Developed a robust process-oriented social justice pedagogy curriculum for instructors and designed a Canvas site to host it on.
- Oversaw assignment design for four UC Berkeley faculty, including implementing their assignment visions, incorporating assignment scaffolding throughout the course, & developing assessment rubrics.

**Lead Data Analysis Consultant**

Stop AAPI Hate Center

March 2020 – May 2020

San Francisco, CA

- Developed Python scripts to run analyses of reported hate incident data by time frame, ethnicity, and location.
- Generated 19 reports with data visualizations for key decision makers, including California Governor Gavin Newsom's office, the New York Human Rights Commission, and the Oakland Unified School District Board of Education.
- Trained eight undergraduate and graduate student volunteers on data cleansing and presentation processes.

**Research Analyst**

UC Berkeley Asian American and Pacific Islander Standing Committee

February 2019 – February 2020

Berkeley, CA

- Analyzed both aggregated and disaggregated data about UC Berkeley's Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) student population using Python.
- Drafted a data findings report for the committee and the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Equity and Inclusion which served as a basis for identifying its priorities.

**Seeding Change Fellow**

Chinese Progressive Association – San Francisco

June 2018 – August 2018

San Francisco, CA

- Planned the College Circle panel, which included 3 college students, and facilitated conversations between youth and college students about higher education.
- Co-created curriculum for Asian Americans and mental health workshop.
- Planned five hour long program graduation and fun day for 42 youth.
- Supported Arts & Logistics youth committee in planning art builds, creating imagery and messaging, and creating a safety plan for their mental health campaign launch.
- Facilitated ice breakers and small group discussions during workshops.

**Community Advocacy Program Mentor**

Asian Pacific American Student Development Office

August 2017 – May 2018

Berkeley, CA

- Developed curricula for biweekly cohort meetings, including workshops on community building, political education on Asian American and Pacific Islander community issues, and community organizing skills.
- Facilitated biweekly cohort meetings for 13 Asian American and Pacific Islander students.
- Mentored 13 Asian American and Pacific Islander students in advocacy, political issues, and community organizing through one-on-one and group check-ins.

**AAPI Civic Engagement Project Student Lead Coordinator**

Asian Pacific American Student Development Office

August 2016 – May 2018

Berkeley, CA

- Researched major policies and candidates on the ballot with specific attention to their impact on and significance to Asian American and Pacific Islander communities.
- Outreached to local Asian American and Pacific Islander organizations in the Bay Area and on-campus student organizations to register and educate voters.

- Trained community leaders on how to engage in dialogues about civic engagement and 2016 ballot measures.
- Created social media campaigns to mobilize voters, including designing graphics for both social media and print distribution.

### **Legislative Intern**

California State Assembly – Assemblymember Tony Thurmond

June 2017 – August 2017

Sacramento, CA

- Co-staffed AB 254 by writing fact sheets, gathering support for the bill, holding meetings with stakeholders, and doing vote counts in committees and on the floor.
- Analyzed data on race, income, geographic location, etc. in order to make informed and equitable vote recommendations about the impact of proposed legislation on Assembly District 15 communities.

### **Cal-in-Sacramento Student Director**

Matsui Center

July 2016 – August 2017

Berkeley, CA

- Served as the teaching assistant for Political Science 110B, a two-unit course designed to teach students about California politics and their internship in Sacramento.
- Developed and helped manage a comprehensive outreach strategy to recruit 2016-2017 Cal-in-Sacramento Fellowship applicants, which included specific outreach efforts to underserved students.
- Reviewed applications, interviewed, and selected approximately 30 Cal-in-Sacramento Fellows.
- Organized networking and social events for the Cal-in-Sacramento Fellows
- Served as the liaison between the Matsui Center and the Cal-in-Sacramento Fellows.

### **Legislative Intern**

California State Assembly – Assemblymember Sebastian Ridley-Thomas

June 2016 – August 2016

Sacramento, CA

- Drafted memorandums for the Legislative Director and Assemblymember about the background, support, and opposition of controversial legislation.
- Held and summarized meetings with various lobbyists and advocates for the Assemblymember.
- Drafted and edited the Assemblymember's statements and talking points.
- Tracked support and opposition to legislation by constituents.
- Responded to constituent mail and messages regarding legislation and cases.

## **Publications**

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Gilmore, Anthony and **Kai Nham**. "The Third World Liberation Front." *The Berkeley Revolution*, 11 May 2018, <http://revolution.berkeley.edu/projects/twlf/>.

**Nham, Kai**. "Jumping into the River of Justice." In *Power of the People Won't Stop: Legacy of the TWLF at UC Berkeley*, edited by Harvey Dong and Janie Chen. Berkeley, CA: Eastwind Books of Berkeley, 2020.

## **Presentations**

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**Nham, Kai**. "Data Captures." Chinese Progressive Association – San Francisco. Online. August 18, 2020.

Dong, Harvey, **Kai Nham**, and Nkauj lab Yang. "Mountain Movers: Student Activism and the Emergence of Asian American Studies." University of California, Berkeley Ethnic Studies Library. Berkeley, CA. October 25, 2019.

**Nham, Kai**. "Whose University? 50th Anniversary of TWLF Exhibit Reception." University of California, Berkeley

Ethnic Studies Library. Berkeley, CA. April 24, 2019.

## Service

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### **Seeding Change Fellow**

Chinese Progressive Association – San Francisco

June 2018 – August 2018

San Francisco, CA

### **Community Advocacy Program Mentor**

Asian Pacific American Student Development Office

August 2017 – May 2018

Berkeley, CA

### **AAPI Civic Engagement Project Student Lead Coordinator**

Asian Pacific American Student Development Office

August 2016 – May 2018

Berkeley, CA

## Awards & Fellowships

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5th Year Master of Information and Data Science Fellowship

August 2019

UC Chinese Alumni Foundation – Chinese Chapter Merit Scholarship

August 2018

UC Berkeley Leadership Award

January 2017

Cal-in-Sacramento Fellowship

June 2016, June 2017