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Asian American Political Participation in Times of Racial Exclusion

The central claim in this book is that we need to consider how recent political contexts structure how we ought to approach explaining Asian American political participation. Contexts such as the hate experienced by Asian Americans during the pandemic, which I characterize as racial exclusion, as well as, political climates that exhibit signs of racial inclusion such as the rise of and increased visibility of Asian Americans in government, ultimately determine the very factors that have become meaningful for influencing Asian Americans' decisions to participate in politics. In this chapter, I will lay out how recent, key events can be classified both as racially exclusionary and inclusionary for Asian Americans. These contexts defined by racial exclusion especially during the pandemic, alongside signs of racial inclusion of Asian Americans present in government, have brought to light two core factors that should be addressed in order to have a fuller understanding of why this community has come to participate in politics over time through the contemporary day.

TIME

**Wed, April 15, 2026
11:30AM-1:00PM**

LOCATION

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