

American Studies Meeting
22 February 2007
12:30 to 1:45 p.m.
University Rooms A/B

AS in Practice

Ed Chan, Bollywood

Reports:

- MA -- Sarah
- Mission – Ed or LA (see attached)
- BA curriculum – LA (to be distributed at meeting)
- Publicity (flyer to be distributed at meeting) – Janie, Caitlin
- Formation of Kennesaw American Studies Alliance (KASA) – Chris
- Recommendations for hiring -- Dot
- FPA/annual report guidelines that would address AS program – Dot
- Webpage – Ed and Chris
- ID Programs suite reception, March 15th -- Sarah
- Barbara McCaskill's workshop, April 5th – Sarah

American Studies Mission
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The American Studies program at Kennesaw State University dedicates itself to crossing boundaries: disciplinary, social, cultural, institutional. The program is multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary focusing on the study of American cultures, as they exist locally, regionally, nationally, and trans-nationally. Grounded in the content knowledge base and methodologies from a range of fields, students are actively encouraged to pursue an understanding and critical analysis of the history, literature, arts, politics, language, philosophy and social practices of the multitude of American communities. Through the use of project-based learning linked to their own professional development needs, interests, and abilities, the program engages students in an exchange of learning and service in local communities and abroad.

American Studies students and faculty at KSU seek opportunities for collaborative work with partners in the university community and beyond by co-sponsoring events and projects based in a shared vision of social justice, global awareness, and the power of critical analysis linked to local action.