## Social change and innovation seminar

## Title: Research & Practice for Social Change: **Challenges and Promises**

Today, we confront an array of urgent global challenges, from economic uncertainty and inequality to health and mental health crises and resource scarcity, demanding innovative and collaborative solutions to secure a sustainable future for all. The field of social work must engage in multidisciplinary education and research, provide effective services, and address systemic disparities. Collaboration with various stakeholders, including government agencies and community evidence-based essential. **Implementing** groups, is interventions, adopting culturally appropriate practices, and advocating for policies that prioritize community well-being are also crucial.



Professor Julian Chun-Chung Chow

By addressing these challenges and employing comprehensive strategies, social work can improve community well-being and foster equitable, inclusive societies.

## **About the speaker:**

Julian Chun-Chung Chow is Hutto-Patterson Charitable Foundation Professor at the School of Social Welfare at the University of California, Berkeley. His research focuses on the delivery of social and mental health services within ethnic and immigrant neighborhoods, with a particular emphasis on Asian Pacific American communities.

Currently, his research explores the ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economic wellbeing of Asian Pacific Americans and the response of nonprofits serving this community as they address the growing service demands and substantial shifts within immigrant populations. His research examines the daily obstacles faced by immigrant and minority families, identifies the barriers preventing their access to these services, and formulates intervention strategies aimed at improving service delivery at individual, organizational, and policy levels.

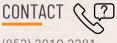
He has been active serving many national, state, and local organizations, addressing issues such as welfare reform, poverty, immigration, health, and mental health. He is a 2011 Fulbright Scholar and a Fellow of the Society for Social Work and Research. He was awarded the 2016 Outstanding American by Choice Recognition from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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