

Frank H. Wu

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Biography

Frank H. Wu became a Distinguished Professor following service as Chancellor & Dean. He was a member of the faculty at Howard University, the nation's leading historically black college/university (HBCU), for a decade; Dean of Wayne State University Law School in his hometown of Detroit; a visiting professor at Michigan; an adjunct professor at Columbia; and a Thomas C. Grey Teaching Fellow at Stanford. He taught at the Peking University School of Transnational Law in its inaugural year and again a decade later. In his leadership roles at UC Hastings and Wayne, as well as on faculty at Howard, he was the first Asian American to serve in such a capacity. He is dedicated to civic engagement and volunteer service. In April 2016, he was elected by the members of Committee of 100 as their Chair; then in February 2017, the Board named him as the group's first-ever President. C100 is a non-profit membership organization which invites Chinese Americans who have achieved the highest levels of success to join, working on twin missions of promoting good relations between the US and China and the participation of Chinese Americans in all aspects of public life. Professor Wu was appointed by the federal Department of Education to its National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI), and by the Defense Department to the Military Leadership Diversity Commission. He currently is a Trustee of Deep Springs College, a highly-selective full-scholarship school enrolling twenty-six on a student-run cattle ranch near Death Valley, where he previously taught for several short periods. He was a Trustee of Gallaudet University, the only university in the world dedicated to deaf and hard of hearing persons, from 2000 to 2010. Professor Wu is the author of *Yellow: Race in America Beyond Black and White*, and co-author of *Race, Rights and Reparation: Law and the Japanese American Internment*. He blogged regularly for six years at HuffPo, and his work has appeared in *The New York Times* and *Washington Post*. Prior to his academic career, he held a clerkship with the late U.S. District Judge Frank J. Battisti in Cleveland and practiced law with the firm of Morrison & Foerster in San Francisco ? while there, he devoted a quarter of his time to pro bono work on behalf of indigent clients. He received a B.A. from Johns Hopkins and a J.D. with honors from Michigan. He completed the Management Development Program of the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Expertise

Legal Services, Education/Learning

Areas of Expertise

Civic Engagement, Volunteer Service, Higher Education Administration, Asian American Issues, Civil Rights

Affiliations

American Law Institute: Member (elected), American Bar Foundation: Life Fellow, Committee of 100: Chair

Education

Harvard University Graduate School of Education
Certificate Management Development

University of Michigan Law School
J.D. Law

The Johns Hopkins University
B.A. Undergraduate Studies

Accomplishments

Keith Aoki Asian American Jurisprudence Award
Awarded from the Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Faculty.

Honoree
Awarded by the California Asian Pacific Islander American Legislative Caucus for Heritage Month.

Most Influential Dean in Legal Education
Awarded by National Jurist.

Top 100 Lawyers in California
Awarded by the Daily Journal.

Honoree, Leading Educator
Awarded by the Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), East Bay Chapter.

Chang-lin Tien Award
Awarded by the Asia Pacific Foundation

Trailblazer
Awarded by the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association

Honorary Marshall
San Francisco Chinatown Parade

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