**The Yoonmee Chang Memorial Lecture**

The Yoonmee Chang Memorial Lecture host a distinguished speaker annually in honor of her memory and her work.

Yoonmee Chang (November 2, 1970 – January 18, 2018) was born in Seoul, South Korea, and grew up in New York. She received her Ph.D. in English from the University of Pennsylvania in 2003 with a specialization in Asian American diasporic literature and culture. As a graduate student at Penn, she was an instrumental leader in the founding of the Asian American Studies Program. Yoonmee, author of the critically acclaimed book, *Writing the Ghetto: Class, Authorship, and the Asian American Ethnic Enclave*, taught at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana before becoming an Associate Professor at George Mason University from 2005 until her death in 2018.

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