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<https://faculti.net/exploring-impacts-and-implications-of-us-china-relations-on-us-public-opinion-toward-chinese-and-asian-americans/>

The speaker, an Asian American of Chinese descent, shares personal reflections on the relationship between the U.S.-China dynamic and the experiences of Asian Americans, particularly those of Chinese heritage. They express surprise at the lack of research connecting these two areas—international relations and ethnic studies. The speaker discusses their involvement with the Asian American Foundation, highlighting a survey aimed at understanding public perceptions of Asian Americans in relation to the U.S.-China relationship.

The key findings reveal that while a significant portion of American respondents view China as a threat, they do not perceive Chinese Americans as threats. However, a contrasting survey targeting Chinese Americans found that many feel they have experienced negative impacts from rising anti-Asian sentiment, fueled by mainstream narratives about China.

The speaker emphasizes the dual identity of Asian Americans, who navigate being perceived as both model minorities and perpetual foreigners. They argue for the importance of addressing misconceptions about Asian Americans and promoting greater understanding of their multifaceted identity in the context of geopolitical tensions. Ultimately, they advocate for educational efforts to bridge gaps between American perceptions of China and the realities of Asian American experiences, underscoring the need for intercultural exchange and more nuanced media representation.