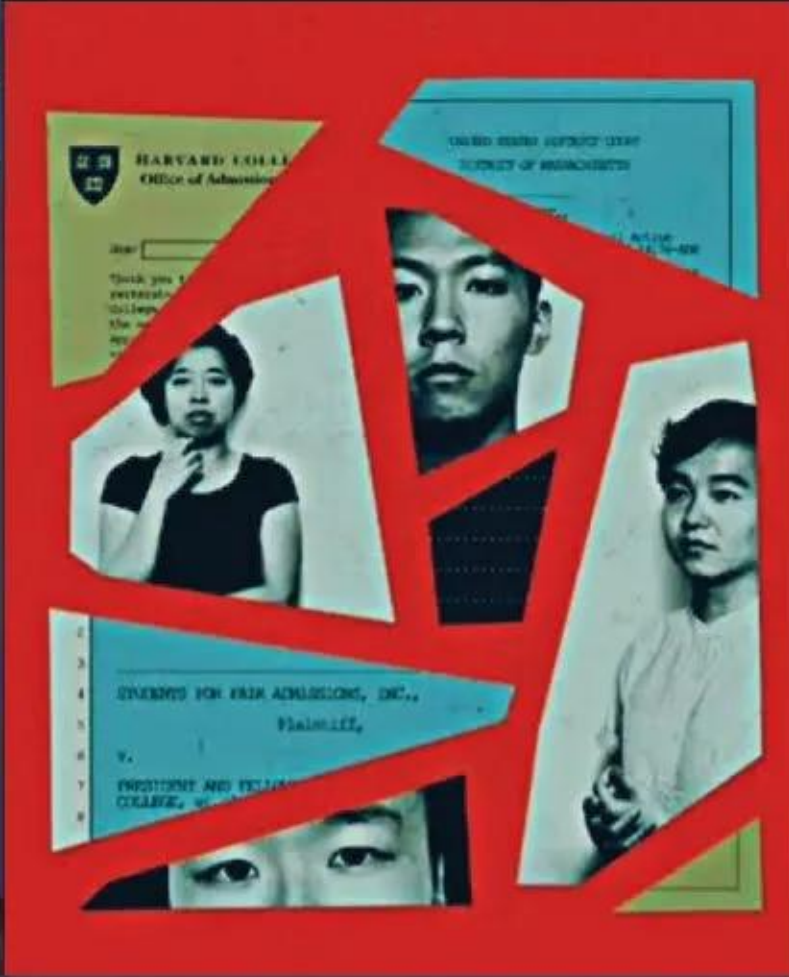


**HIDDEN TRUTH SHOW
WITH JIM BRESLO**



KENNY XU



**HOW AND WHY UNIVERSITIES
DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ASIANS**

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here is our interview with kenny chu

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the university of california got rid of

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standardized tests

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uh about six months ago

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and

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now california state university has also

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00:00:19,990 --> 00:00:17,840
gotten rid of standardized tests

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00:00:21,510 --> 00:00:20,000
and we're now seeing the effect of

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00:00:22,790 --> 00:00:21,520
getting rid of standardized tests

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00:00:24,470 --> 00:00:22,800
because you know we're going through

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00:00:27,189 --> 00:00:24,480
admissions right now i'm hearing lots of

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friends who have seniors in high school

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that have applied to the university of

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california

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and

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none of them are getting in it's like a

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00:00:37,990 --> 00:00:36,160

dramatic change this is all kind of

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00:00:39,910 --> 00:00:38,000

anecdotal right now but i'm also getting

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00:00:42,069 --> 00:00:39,920

it you know second-hand stories from

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00:00:44,470 --> 00:00:42,079

admissions people and so on these are

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from the absolute top

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private high schools

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in california

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where

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the vast majority of their students are

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not getting in to the university of

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california whereas in prior years they

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00:01:01,670 --> 00:00:59,680

would have and it was by getting rid of

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the standardized tests that made it a

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lot easier for these universities to

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focus on factors other than merit uh in

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california you're probably aware we have

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it's in the constitution thanks to a

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00:01:16,710 --> 00:01:14,560

vote of the people that affirmative

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action shall not be used it is illegal

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to use affirmative action in the

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admissions process

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at universities in california

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so

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they the the academicians have basically

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found an end run

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around

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this ban

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by saying okay well then we'll just ban

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all objective criteria

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such as these standardized tests so that

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we cannot make it all subjective and

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we're already seeing the result of that

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it's huge discrimination against

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00:01:49,990 --> 00:01:48,000

whites i'm sure asians um

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presumably in favor of

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as they like to call them black and

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brown community

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00:01:57,109 --> 00:01:54,640

how much are you following

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california in the work that you're doing

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yeah california has always been on my

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mind it's funny how they say black and

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brown community

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um

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because that's an exclusive term

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it actually excludes asians by their

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term bipoc which is their favorite term

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now bipoc

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that is um

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black and indigenous people of color

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is what they say and the reason why they

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say that is because they want to exclude

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asian americans from this category

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because they think that asian americans

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00:02:32,150 --> 00:02:30,630

they're an inconvenient minority to

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00:02:34,229 --> 00:02:32,160

their whole framework in their system

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because asian americans despite coming

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here with no money and no wealth

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generational wealth and no generational

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social connections still achieve at such

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high rates and therefore prove that this

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country cannot just be founded on racism

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if it is founded on racism certainly

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they would want to be racist against

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asians too

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um but actually asians are even higher

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than whites things like educational

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attainment um and everything like that

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so

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attainment had um asian admissions to uc

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berkeley for example was at

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i think 30 percent

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they they obviously feel that asians are

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over represented but they can't

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discriminate against asians because they

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have this proposition 209 measure that

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bans affirmative action so the only way

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that they can start to lower the

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percentage of asians who they do not

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like and they do not want more of

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is by

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taking out accountability metrics like

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the sat and like standardized tests

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and so as a result the asian i'm

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absolutely certain that the asian

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population at berkeley is going to

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00:03:40,630 --> 00:03:37,920
continue to fall

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00:03:42,630 --> 00:03:40,640
uh in favor of minorities

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00:03:43,990 --> 00:03:42,640
because now they don't have that

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00:03:46,229 --> 00:03:44,000
standardized

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00:03:48,229 --> 00:03:46,239
accountability mechanism like the sat to

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00:03:51,110 --> 00:03:48,239
keep them to hold them accountable yeah

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00:03:53,670 --> 00:03:51,120
and by the way i point out in my piece

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00:03:55,910 --> 00:03:53,680
that this all started with covid so this

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00:03:58,470 --> 00:03:55,920
is yet another example of the left using

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00:04:00,630 --> 00:03:58,480
and they blame this on coving right

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00:04:02,390 --> 00:04:00,640
right are you serious right like how

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00:04:03,670 --> 00:04:02,400

could you how could cover

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00:04:05,589 --> 00:04:03,680

because they said you can't get into a

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room and take the sat well the sat is

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online only now it's like completely

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digital

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00:04:10,630 --> 00:04:09,280

so

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there's no

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it's it's completely true that they're

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just relying on an excuse yeah well my

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understanding is that approximately 80

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percent

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of universities across the country

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at least temporarily made the

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standardized tests

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voluntary

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and therefore you know it's not a

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significant part of the criteria because

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00:04:34,469 --> 00:04:32,320

you don't even have to submit it due to

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covid now the question's going to become

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okay now that we're past covid

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who's going to go back to standardized

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tests and already university of

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california and california state

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00:04:45,510 --> 00:04:43,919

university said no we're not going to go

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00:04:47,510 --> 00:04:45,520

back to the standardized tests so this

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is going to be a trend i presume that's

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going to sweep the country

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yeah that they wanted they've always

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wanted to get rid of standardized tests

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because it exposes them

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00:04:59,590 --> 00:04:57,919

it exposes their

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uh racial

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um agendas

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00:05:04,629 --> 00:05:02,639

and

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now they had the excuse that was covered

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they pushed that through

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and now they're gonna get rid of it

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completely they're never gonna come back

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00:05:13,110 --> 00:05:10,479
to sats

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00:05:15,590 --> 00:05:13,120
yeah and you know

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00:05:18,550 --> 00:05:15,600
as some have pointed out

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00:05:20,950 --> 00:05:18,560
when you get rid of it you you you no

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00:05:23,909 --> 00:05:20,960
longer expose the real problem of

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00:05:26,629 --> 00:05:23,919
individuals being

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given the skills to go out there and

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00:05:29,909 --> 00:05:28,400
compete the standardized test is what

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00:05:32,710 --> 00:05:29,919
shines the light

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00:05:34,950 --> 00:05:32,720
on inherent problems that we have you

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00:05:37,430 --> 00:05:34,960
know why isn't the black community doing

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00:05:38,710 --> 00:05:37,440
better on these tests they don't care

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00:05:40,310 --> 00:05:38,720

they just toss it out as long as the

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numbers at the end all come out the same

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so it totally ignores the individual

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ignores the root problem in trying to

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get to the root problem and trying to

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solve it

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yeah it's it's not only does it do that

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00:05:55,909 --> 00:05:53,600

but it actually positions black

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americans in a very uncomfortable and

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bad position

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um where because they don't know and

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they don't have to

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be sorted for

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ability now you have black americans who

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are getting into programs in which

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they're simply not as qualified for

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and because of that you have things like

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in fact black americans who apply to

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harvard for example tend to graduate at

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00:06:21,029 --> 00:06:19,039
the bottom 25

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00:06:22,550 --> 00:06:21,039
of the school why

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00:06:24,550 --> 00:06:22,560
well it's because

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and graduating the bottom 25 percent of

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the school is not a good thing by the

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way it's actually really it's actually a

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really bad thing um it actually means

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worse salaries as a law student it means

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worse careers everything like that

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um and so you're actually putting these

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black students who would otherwise have

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been matched to a university that

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represented their proficiency in the

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subject

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matched to a university in which

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they're not

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and they cannot compete or they're

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they're not at yet the capability of

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competing at that level so it's hurting

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people it's hurting everybody yeah

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00:07:02,550 --> 00:07:00,960
so let's go back to this issue of

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the bipoc

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and you know who

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who who gets to be a

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minority that that we're going to favor

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and who doesn't

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um if you look at the history of black

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in america you've got obviously slavery

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and and just out and out discrimination

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arguably into the 60s um until the civil

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rights act and so on and that was

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rectified but with the brown community

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which

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this term just kind of came out of

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nowhere it seems to me in the past 10

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years that's not even clear to me who's

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in the brown community but i assume that

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it's latin and hispanic

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there's no

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history

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of discrimination against this community

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like there is against the black

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community

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they do look a bit different than white

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people

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and in that sense they're very similar

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to asians i'm curious if you agree with

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me that you know they

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they're they they they look a little bit

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different

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it is arguably a minority group

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yet there's no

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overt history of discrimination in the

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country and so you've got these two

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groups but one

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gets thrown into the black and brown

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group and the other does not

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right um

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black americans have a unique history in

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this country

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that

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other immigrants don't

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um you simply cannot make the same

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assertion that hispanic americans are in

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any way

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have the same history as black americans

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do in this country so and yet you are

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also privileging them in the admissions

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process

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uh because you have a concerted

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political narrative to label hispanic

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americans as a

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oppressed group

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um

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now this is silly this is really silly

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um are you gonna say poor whites are an

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oppressed group

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are you going to say

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native you know are you going to say

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well maybe native americans are you

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going to say asians are a press group

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are you going to say jewish people in a

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press group are you going to say muslims

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are you going to say

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um catholics are an oppressed group um

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are you gonna say the irish are an

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oppressed group no you're not gonna

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some of those people you might feel like

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you have better cases than others but

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ultimately the reason why there are

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disparities in group

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attainment in certain metrics in this

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country on average is because there are

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cultural disparities

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i mean there are

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a lot of these hispanic immigrants they

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just haven't been lived in america for a

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very long time and a lot of them are

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illegal immigrants because they're

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illegal immigrants and they're typically

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uneducated

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um they're going to drive down the

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average latino attainment in this

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country but the ones who come here

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legally get educated in the united

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states our second generation or higher

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are doing just as well as any white

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american in this country

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thank you again to our guest kenny chu

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you can check out his book an

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thank you to our producer michael parker

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thank you all for listening we'll be

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