Dr. Derald Wing Sue and Stanley Sue were born in Portland Oregon and are the sons of parents who emigrated from China. Dr. Derald Wing Sue discussed how his early childhood memories of being teased due to his ethnicity lead to his fascination with human behavior and eventually to becoming one of the most prominent voices in cross cultural studies. He has over 150 publications and is one of the most cited Multicultural Scholars today.

Dr. Stanley Sue devoted most of his career to examining mental health and ethnicity. The focal point of his research has been dedicated to learning how to lessen the emotional distress among ethnic minorities. The civil rights movement played a role in steering him in the direction of ethnic minority communities.

Both Dr. Derald Wing Sue and Dr. Stanley Sue wanted to emphasize the importance and understanding of Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders and making sure they were receiving accurate mental health services. Together they co-founded the Asian American Psychological Association (AAPA) in 1972.

The Sue brothers have made several contributions to psychological studies including topics on culture, ethnicity, and race. They have developed the racial and cultural identity development theories. Dr. Derald Wing Sue has written about microaggressions.

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