



ASIAN WOMEN EDUCATION (AWE) CALD MENTORSHIP PROGRAM *Launch*

18-21 June 2026 | Bangkok, Thailand



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Asia

WELCOME MESSAGE

Alysa Chiu

Vice-Chairperson, CALD Women's Caucus
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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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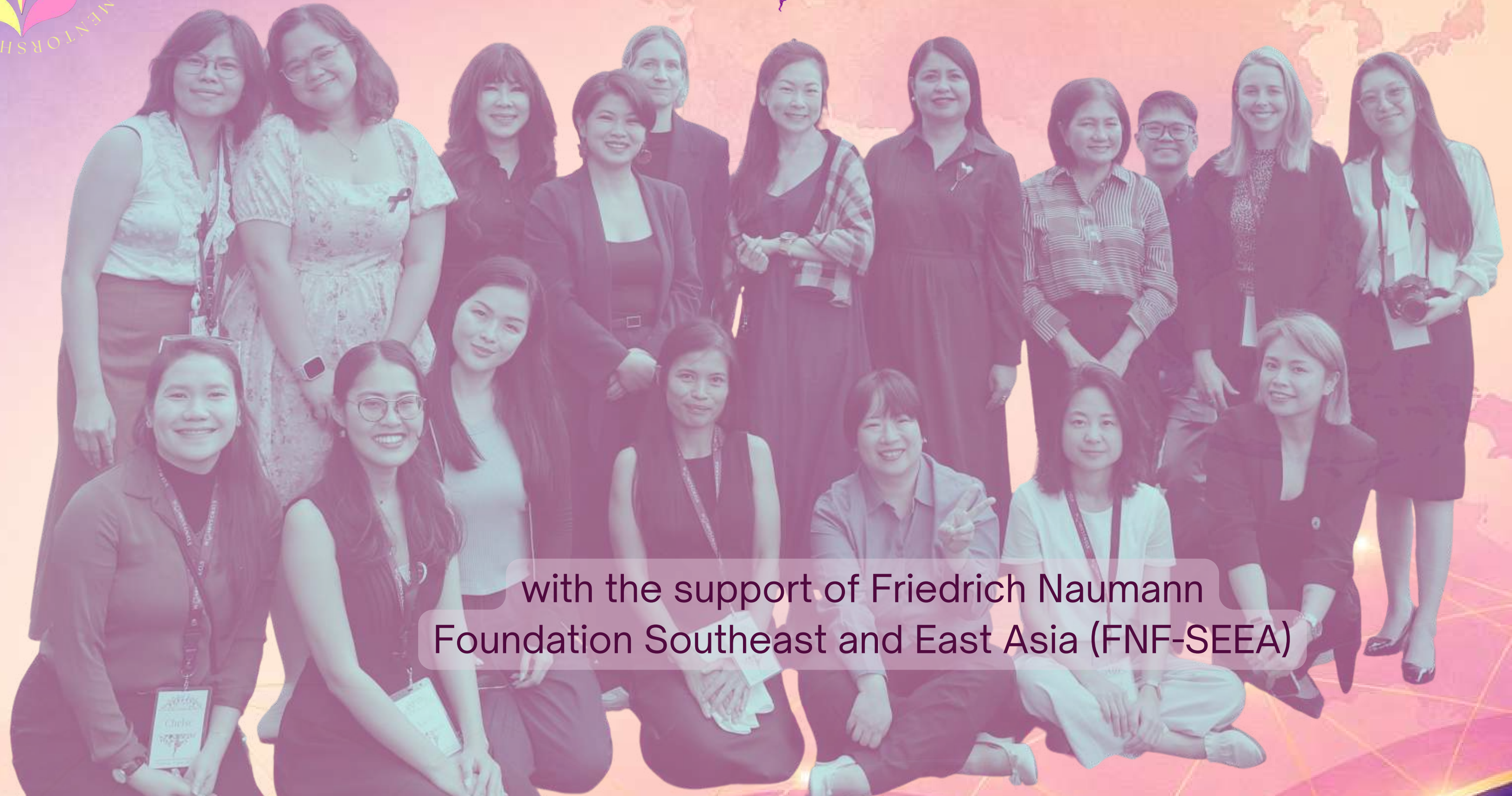


2025



AWE Mentorship 2025

launched by  WOMEN'S CAUCUS



with the support of Friedrich Naumann
Foundation Southeast and East Asia (FNF-SEEA)



In-person Events



Launch in Taipei, Taiwan / 8-11 August 2025



Culmination in Bangkok, Thailand / 27 - 31 October 2025

Online Regional Sessions



Responsive Governance & Social Media
CALD ASIAN WOMEN EDUCATION (AWE) MENTORSHIP PROGRAM





“Sisterhood across borders.”



EMPOWERED LEADERSHIP



INTERNAL

COLLECTIVE

PRACTICAL

transformative journey

community of
women leaders

strategic platform

AWE Mentorship Program

12 mentees | 6 months | SEEA Countries

CORE



AWE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM *LEARNING* *TIMELINE*

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AWE 2026 MENTORS



Beng Abueg-Zaldivar



Alysa Chiu



Jaslyn Go



Leadership Coaches

*Hon. Ngaliṃ
Tiunn*



*Kaow
Kongdechā*



*Hon. Yashinta
Sekarwangi*





AWE PLEDGE

I, (state your name), as a (mentee/mentor/coach) and a participant in CALD Asian Women Education (AWE) Mentorship Program, stand together in commitment to our growth, our purpose, and our shared responsibility as women leaders.

We believe that empowering women
Leads to stronger, more inclusive governance.

We commit to this mentorship
As a space to grow,
A space to support one another,
And a space to recognize that leadership is not a solo journey but one
built on community and trust.



AWE PLEDGE

We embrace ownership of this opportunity
not only for ourselves,
but for the communities and causes we represent.

We pledge to participate fully
To listen, reflect, and contribute,
To stay curious and committed to learning, unlearning, and
reimagining leadership
And to learn from both mentors and peers.



AWE PLEDGE

We carry the responsibility—
To empower others,
To speak with honesty and openness
And to value inclusion in all our interactions

We walk this journey—
Rooted in principle,
Driven by purpose,
And united in our commitment.

This is our pledge - to be present, to lead, and to empower.
May we carry it with humility and intention through every moment of
this journey and beyond, knowing that who we are becoming matters
as much as where we are going.



FACILITATORS

Viola Torres

Psychosocial Specialist
University of the Philippines
Center for Women's and Gender Studies

Maya Tamayo

Founder and Executive Director
Bayi Inc.

SESSION 1:

Taking Up Space: Who We Are, Why We're Here, & How We Show Up

To foster authentic introductions, establish a safe and empowering space, and align the program with participants' expectations.

SESSION 2:

AWE Leadership Journey: Creative Mapping of Politics & Purpose

To facilitate a deep reconnection with one's core leadership purpose by using creative expression to map the personal motivations and politics that drive their commitment and leadership journey.

BREAK

SESSION 3:

AWE : Articulating, Writing, and Embodying Our Values and Principles

To define and articulate personal leadership values through literary arts, encouraging a deep alignment between individual principles and the core tenets of transformative feminist leadership.

REMINDERS

- Cooking session | Hotel marketing materials - photo/video posting
- CHECK-IN | keycards outside
- Welcome Dinner | 6:30PM @ The Element Restaurant, B1 Level
- Participation fee | tomorrow

WELCOME DINNER

WELCOME REMARKS

Isra Sunthornvut

Head of Foreign Affairs, Democrat Party
Former Member of the House of Representatives, Thailand



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Jaslyn Go

Chairperson, CALD Women's Caucus
Singapore Democratic Party



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*Kewalin
Sa-ngapet*

Regional Program Officer, Asia
Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom





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SESSION 4:

AWE Power: Interrogating, Reclaiming, Practicing Feminist Power

To critically interrogate personal motivations for leadership and internal constructions of power through embodied movement, using a feminist lens to reframe power as a collective and transformative force.

TEA BREAK

SESSION 5:

The AWE Brand of Leadership: The Cs of Transformative Feminist Leadership (TFL)

To introduce the Transformative Feminist Leadership (TFL) framework and the "Cs" of feminist governance, enabling mentees to envision and define a leadership brand rooted in collective empowerment and social change.

LUNCH

SESSION 6:

AWE Story Telling: The Story of Self - Part I

This session introduces the first arc of public narrative by Marshal Ganz. Mentees will identify "choice points" in their lives or specific moments where their values were tested and their commitment to feminist leadership was born, to craft a story that communicates who they are and the source of their call to lead.

SESSION 7:

Stirring the Pot: Unpacking Power Over Thai Feast

Participants will get hands-on with Thailand's most beloved dishes, Pad Thai & Gaeng Kiew Waan as a shared entry point into deeper conversation. As we cook together, we stir something else too: honest, courageous reflection on power, leadership, and what it means to lead transformatively.



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SESSION 8:

Grounding Exercise and Recap



Quick 5 Minute Grounding Guided Meditation | Reduce Anxiety | Grounding Exercise
Fostering Resilience

5 Minute Guided Meditation



Watch on  YouTube

SESSION 9:

*AWE Story Telling: The
Story of Self Part II*

SESSION 10:

Grounding Exercise Liberal Democracy and Feminist Leadership

To explain the key, relevant concepts, values, principles and elements of liberalism and democracy in relation to transformative feminist leadership

SESSION 10: LIBERALIS, DEMOCRACY, FEMINISM

Kwankaow Kongdech

Political Analyst, Thailand



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LUNCH

SESSION 11:

Feminist Leaders in Action: A Panel Discussion

To bridge the gap between feminist leadership framework and real-world application by engaging with seasoned practitioners from the CALD network, providing mentees with a foundation of lived praxis to inform their collective leadership roadmaps.

SESSION 11

Hon. Yashinta Sekarwangi

Member, Indonesia Regional Representative Council
Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle (PDIP)



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Atty. Cyrille "Beng" Abueg- Zaldivar

Former Member, Philippine House of Representatives
Vice President, LP Women's Caucus



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SESSION 12:

AWE Collective Synthesis Workshop

To integrate individual symbols of leadership into a collaborative visual roadmap, enabling mentees to synthesize their personal brands within the broader mission of transformative feminist governance. In this culminating creative session, mentees will translate their reflections—from their "Story of Self" to the "Cs of Feminist Leadership" -- into a powerful visual representation of their future. Using a mix of artistic mediums, participants will create their vision that captures the leader they aspire to be and the impact they intend to create within their communities

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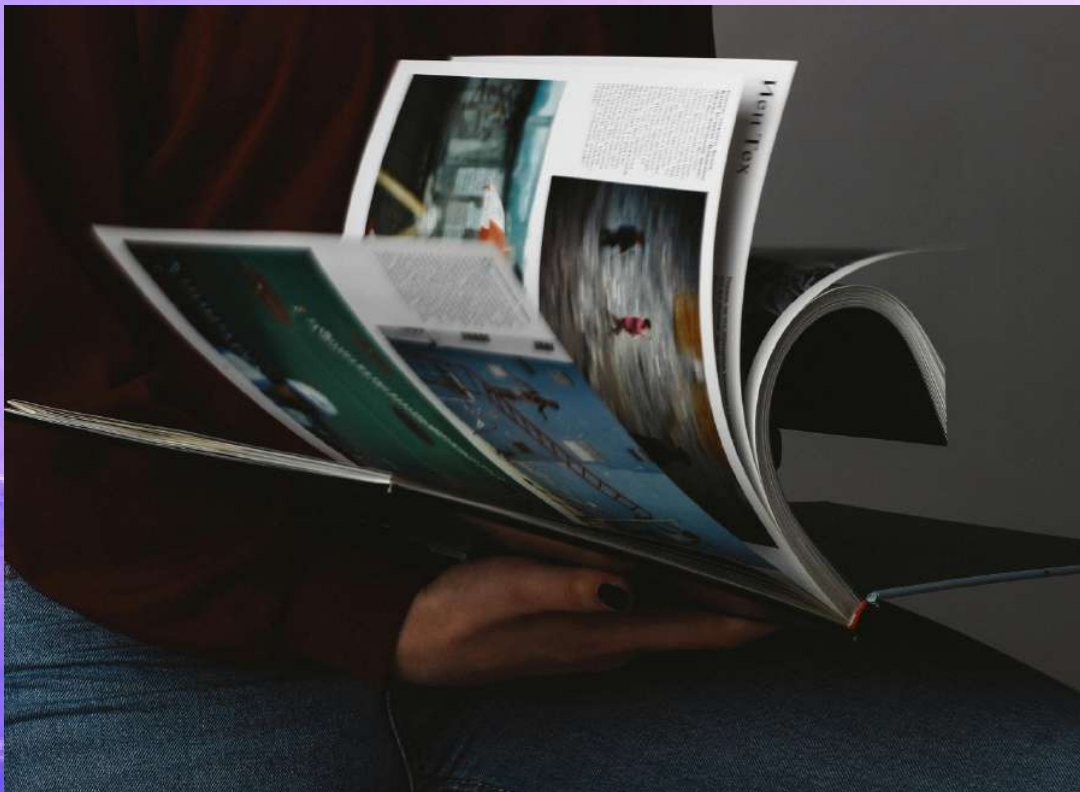
Introduction to Capstone Projects and Mentoring

To critically examine how systemic gender dynamics—including sexism and misogyny—impact the lived realities and leadership journeys of young women through interactive, embodied storytelling.

CAPSTONE PROJECT

a reflection of

transformation



CAPSTONE PROJECT



More than a biography, it is a portrait of *becoming*. It is a documentation of the experiences, lessons, challenges, and breakthroughs that shaped your journey throughout AWE.

The photobook will explore three guiding questions:

- Who was I when I entered this journey?
- What have I learned about myself as a woman and as a leader?
- Who am I becoming, and what kind of change do I hope to create?

CAPSTONE PROJECT

capstone will also serve as a collective
testament of

solidarity

among women leaders across Asia



MENTOR - MENTEE MATCH

At the heart of the process is a simple belief that meaningful leadership development happens not only through training, but also through **relationships** with women who have walked the path before us and are willing to walk alongside us as we grow.

- 3-4 mentees will be assigned per mentor
- regular communications and check-in with your mentor **at least twice a month**



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*AWE Collective Synthesis:
Presentation*



AWE 2026

POST-LAUNCH SURVEY

SCAN ME

