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Dr. Austin Choi-Fitzpatrick is an accomplished scholar, administrator, and educator. As **Associate Provost for Academic Strategy and Growth** at the University of San Diego he oversees the university's \$90m research and contracts portfolio and contributes to overall academic strategy. As **Faculty Director** of USD's Center for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship he shares responsibility for a \$2m annual portfolio and a \$6.5m endowment. Dr. Choi-Fitzpatrick also **directs the Yale-based** Future of Slavery and Emancipation Working Group, convening global experts to explore post-slavery futures.

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