

Research Seminar Series 2020/21 #5

Between victimization and demonization: Narratives of Muslim women in Hong Kong

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Venue: Join in-person: Room A505 / Join on Zoom

Abstract

It is argued that minority Muslim women are being trapped in-between being victimization and demonization by the society. Due to the intersectional influences on their multiple disadvantaged identities on ethnicity, religion and gender; minority Muslim women are on one hand being victimized by the society as helpless individuals under levels of oppressions, but also on the other hand being seen as backward and uncivilized individuals under Islamophobia. In this seminar, we would be looking into the interplay of victimization and demonization through exploring the narratives presented by minority Muslim young women in Hong Kong in the real life stories written by them, and how these women try to breakthrough these barriers imposed by the dominant society through their day to day life struggles.

Biography



Graduated from the University of Hong Kong for both her bachelor and PhD in social work, Raees is now serving as an adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Social Work of the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Before joining the academia, she has worked for various local and international human rights organisations on minority rights and has been a fellow under the UN Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights. Her main research areas focus on gender, migration and minority studies; including research projects on minority women's perspective on honour-based violence, Muslim young women's perspective towards gender equality under transnational migration, and the involvement of religious institutions on the rights of migrant workers.

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Sandwich/salad will be provided to the participants who join the seminar in-person.
All are welcome.

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