



Gender, Religion, and Disasters: Experiences, Practices, and Transformations in the 21st Century

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Dear Colleagues,

This Special Issue will focus on the intersections of gender, religion, and disasters in the 21st century. Disasters are caused by natural and technological hazards, as well as human-induced like wars, and result in large-scale disruptions to the affected communities. Global climate change has compounded the severity and impact of disasters in vulnerable communities. Despite the challenges caused by extreme weather events, for example, religion remains central to coping and building resilience. Recent studies indicate that “people become more religious when hit by natural disasters” (Bentzen 2019). Do women, men, or gender-diverse individuals demonstrate differences in religiosity before, during, and after disasters occur? Examining gender identities and differences in the context of disasters has not been fully explored, or, according to Sohrabizadeh and Jazani (2018), has “attracted very little attention”. This Special Issue intends to fill in the gap in the scholarly literature at this most compelling time when wars, pandemics, and natural catastrophes are in our midst.





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