

Special Issue

Empirical Studies of Contemporary Confucian Practice in Asia and Beyond

Message from the Guest Editor

This special issue aims to open discussion on a hitherto less examined yet vital aspect of Confucian studies: empirical studies of Confucianism as lived religious traditions in different parts of the world. These diverse national and transnational expressions of Confucianisms as religious and ritual traditions are leaving their vivid imprints on global modernity. For empirical scholars of religion such as sociologists, anthropologists, and political scientists, the following questions are of primary importance: How do we analyze the conditions under which Confucianism as a religion might develop in the global context? What are the characteristics of different Confucianisms in world communities today?

Being fundamentally interdisciplinary in conception, we expect these papers to open the field to wider discussions of the emerging global Confucianisms in the 21st century. Prospective contributors please inquire with an abstract under 300 words by January 1, 2021.

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