

Keynote Speech

Gender, Identity and Community: A Perspective of a Female Australian-New Zealand-Chinese Academic

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Nørthern Links: Transplantation or Transnationalism?
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Overview

- Personal Journey as a Female Australian-New Zealand-Chinese Academic
- The Past Remains in the Present and Informs the Future
 - Confucianism and Chineseness
 - Transnationalism and Hybridity
 - Volunteerism and Community
- The Multiple Self: Positioning the self between the West and the East







Personal Journey as a Female Australian-New Zealand-Chinese Academic

- Gender
- Nationalities
- Economic Social Status (ESS)



IDENTITY

Who am I?



- Confucianism and Chineseness
 - Filial piety in Confucianism
 - Filial piety was popularized by Confucius (551-497 BC)
 - The Confucian advocacy of filial piety is premised on the indisputable fact that one's body exists solely because of one's parents.
 - Supporting ageing parent
 - Gender norms: threefold obedience

Reference: Li, W. W., Hodgetts, D., Ho, E., & Stolte, O. (2010). From early Confucian texts to ageing care in China and abroad today: The evolution of filial piety and its implications. Journal of US-China Public Administration, 7(7), 48-59.



- Transnationalism and Hybridity
 - The notion of transnationalism brings traditional assumptions associated with place-specific immigration into question.
 - It redefines migrants as **transmigrants** who move easily between different cultures, frequently maintain homes in two countries, and pursue economic, political and cultural interests that require their presence in both on a sustained basis.
 - Transnational communities refer not only to physical locations. Instead, such transnational communities can also be understood as imagined communities.

Reference: Li, W. W. (2013). Shifting selves in migration: Home, ageing in place and wellbeing. Beijing, CN: Central Compilation & Translation Press.



- ☐ Volunteerism and Community
 - Volunteering refers to activities intended to help others, including persons, groups, or organisations for which the volunteer does not receive pay or other material compensation for their time and services.
 - Volunteering provides people with a way to maintain meaningful social roles in the community and to continue to actively participate in society.
 - Volunteering in New Zealand and Australia



☐ Volunteerism and Community









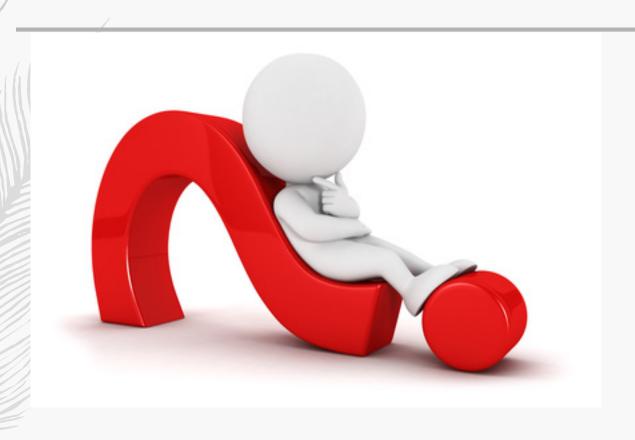


Conclusion

- The Multiple Self- Positioning the self between the West and the East
 - Through my academic work
 - > Through my community involvement







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