

**SSSR+RRA 2021 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**  
**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

**ALL SESSION TIMES ARE CENTRAL TIME**  
**(GMT-5:00 Central Time (US and Canada))**

**Saturday, October 16, 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM (Central Time)**

**K-1 SSSR: Measuring Religion**

**Room: Virtual Room 3**

*Explaining cross-country noninvariance of individual religiosity measures with religious, cultural, and political indicators*

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*Analytical approach: The impact of the religious change on the social cohesion in Latin America*

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*Bayesian Models for Congregational Data*

Simon Brauer, University of Michigan (sgbrauer@umich.edu)

*Counter-Intuition in Christian Conversion Rates: A Statistical Critique of the Religious Market Model*

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**K-2 SSSR Author Meets Critics: Birth Control Battles**

**Room: Virtual Room 6**

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**K-3 SSSR: The Eastern Orthodox Church: Local, Global, and Comparative Perspectives on Contemporary Issues**

**Room: Virtual Room 5**

Organizer/Convener: Frances Kostarelos, Governors State University  
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*Instruments of the Devil in the service of God*

Eleni Tseligka, Aston University Birmingham (etseligka@yahoo.com)

***Ecclesiastical Challenges in the Orthodox Church of Greece: Civil Society and the Body of Christ***

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***Disability East and West: A Romanian Orthodox Perspective***

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***A Church of Local and International Challenges: Faith and Leadership in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Russian Orthodoxy***

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**K-4 SSSR: Secularizations and desecularizations: Individual and collective, peaceful and violent: Part 1**

**Room: Virtual Room 7**

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***Secularization and Self-actualization***

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***Secularization and desecularization: generational comparisons***

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***Marx's theory of religion and its role in violent secularizations under Marxist regimes.***

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**K-5 RRA: Applied Research**

**Room: Virtual Room 4**

***Parable of Talents: How North Korea-related, Faith-Based Workers respond to Enhanced Sanctions and a Global Pandemic***

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***The Ecology of Fear: Pequots and Puritans, 1636-1637***

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***Examining the Influence that Colleges and Universities' Religious Affiliation has on Social Work Education***

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***Catholic Parish Dioceses Relationships***

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**K-6 SSSR: Religion, Education, and Youth**  
**Room: Virtual Room 1**

***Faith in Business: Christian Undergraduates' Perception of Business as a College Major***

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***Explaining Daily Variation in Religious Service Attendance: Findings from the Notre Dame Undergraduate Religion and Spirituality Longitudinal Study***

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***Religion, Public Schools & International Development in El Salvador***

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**K-7 SSSR: Religion, Gender, and Gender Violence**  
**Room: Virtual Room 2**

***The role of women in parish churches: essential or irrelevant. The case of Chiclayo, a Peruvian provincial Northern city***

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***Feminine Jurisprudence: A Quest for Islamic Justice***

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***Connections Between Intimate Language and Intimate Partner Violence in Contemporary Worship Music***

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***Strategies for the Embodiment of Gender Equality among Religious Women in the Post-Communist Lithuania***

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**K-8 SSSR: Researching African Transnational Pentecostalism: A Critical Exploration of Pertinent Conceptual and Methodological Issues**  
**Room: Virtual Room 8**

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***Visual Methods: A Methodology of Unfolding Qualitative Data***

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***Investigating African Pentecostalism: The Problems, Prospects and Rewards of a Multi-sited Ethnography***

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***A Thousand Ways to See, Know and Co-create Knowledge: Exploring an Interdisciplinary Approach to the Study of an African Transnational Religion***

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**Saturday, October 16, 9:45 AM - 11:15 AM (Central Time)**

**L-1 SSSR Author Meets Critics: Catholic Activism Today: Individual Transformation and the Struggle for Social Justice**

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**L-2 SSSR: Religion in India: Demography of change, conversion, son preference, and god beliefs**

**Room: Virtual Room 5**

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***The Religious Composition of India***

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***Religion Conversion in India***

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***Sex imbalance at birth in India: Does religion play a role?***

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***One God, many Gods or something else? Indian Hindu beliefs on divinity***

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**L-3 SSSR: Sacred Things in Secular Spaces**

**Room: Virtual Room 7**

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***The Six Sacred Aspects of Body Bequeathal***

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***When Taxpaying Becomes Sacred***

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***“We Came Here to Be Courageous”: Mourning Rituals in Secular Music Spaces***

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***The World is a Mission Field: Missionary Mobilization and the Evangelical Global Imaginary***

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**L-4 SSSR: Racialized Religion and Anti-Asian Racism: South Asian American Perspectives**

**Room: Virtual Room 4**

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***Racialized Religions and the South Asian Muslim American Experience***

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***Who “Counts” as Asian and What Constitutes Anti-Asian Racism: Exploring South Asian Sikh, Muslim, and Hindu Collective Action***

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***Religion in the service of racism: Bringing violence against South Asian Americans into discussions of religion***

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***Racism + Islamophobia: South Asian American Perceptions of Discrimination in 2021***

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**L-5 SSSR+RRA: Religion and Health**

**Room: Virtual Room 1**

***Does Spiritual Intelligence (SI) Exist? A Theoretical Investigation of a Tool Useful for Finding the Meaning of Life***

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***Stigma towards mental illness and substance use disorder in faith communities***

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***Disability East and West: A Romanian Perspective***

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***The Effect of Religion on Vaccine Concerns in the United States***

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**L-6 SSSR: Religion and Media**

**Room: Virtual Room 2**

***The Religious Roots of Information Revolution***

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***Navigating hyperspace. A comparative analysis of priests' use of Facebook.***

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***The effect of the pandemic on religious communities. The new digital scenario era.***

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***"Seeing God on the Screen": Media and The Changing African Christian Landscape***

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**L-7 SSSR+RRA: Religion, Gender and Queer Identities**

**Room: Virtual Room 8**

***Homosexuality, Same-Sex Marriage, and the Clergy of the Finnish Lutheran Church***

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***One in Three Women: A Comparison of How Christianity, Hinduism, and Islam Impact Violence Against Women Worldwide***

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***Domestic violence and the Anglican Church of Australia: three studies of intimate partner violence and the role of the church***

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**L-8 SSSR: Religion and Justice**  
**Room: Virtual Room 3**

***Clergy Responses to Preaching and Social Issues: 2017 and 2021***

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***Religion in prison***

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***Race and Excessive Use of Police Force: Religious Context as the Moderator***

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**Saturday, October 16, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (Central Time)**

**M-1 SSSR: Religion and Education**

**Room: Virtual Room 3**

***Do Children Perform Better in Religious Schools? Evidence From Population Data***

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***Betwixt and Between – A Metaxological Theory of Culture for a New Paradigm in the Anthropology of Religion***

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***A New Founding Father for the Sociology of Religion: Marcel Mauss***

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**M-2 SSSR: Demography and Religion: Counting Christians in China, Jews in the U.S. & Living Patterns Around the World**

**Room: Virtual Room 5**

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***How many Christians are there in China?***

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***Reassessing the Size of the U.S. Jewish Population: Evidence from a 2020 Pew Research Center survey***

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***Religion and living arrangements around the world***

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***How common are “aside from religion” identities aside from Judaism?***

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**M-3 SSSR: Teaching the Sociology of Religion**

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**M-4 SSSR: Racialized Religion and Anti-Asian Racism: Preliminary Findings**

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***Religion and Perceptions of Discrimination Among Asian Americans in 2017 and 2021***

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***Why are Minority Millennials and Gen Z Leaving the Church? Examining the Role of Religion with the Rise of Anti-Asian Hate Crime, COVID, and “Karen”***

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***Comparing Types of Perceived Discrimination Among Asian Americans: Accounting for Religion***

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***Religion and anti-Asian discrimination pre and post-COVID***

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**M-5 SSSR: Religion and Family**

**Room: Virtual Room 1**

***Relational Spirituality: Does It Work for Couples?***

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***Determinants of fertility by religiosity: a life course approach***

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***Trajectories of Religious Change from Adolescence through the Transition to Adulthood: Four Dimensions of Religiosity***

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**M-6 SSSR: Religion, Politics, and Boundary Making**  
**Room: Virtual Room 2**

***Political Heretics: Why Religious Voters Defect***

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***Muslim Religiosity and Ethnic Tolerance in Central Asia: Assessing the Role of Muslim Religiosity in Kyrgyz Acceptance of Russians and Uzbeks Living in Kyrgyzstan***

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***Religion and Willingness to Fight for One's Country: Armenia and Azerbaijan as Case studies***

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***The Jewish Question and A Masonic Answer: Secrecy as Solution to the Problems of Liberal Separation***

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**M-7 SSSR Author Meets Critics: Empathy Beyond US Borders: The Challenges of Transnational Civic Engagement**

**Room: Virtual Room 6**

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**N-1SSSR: Parish Research 1**

**Room: Virtual Room 7**

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***The Practice of the Sacrament of Penance among Australian Catholics, 1996-2016***

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***Worship as social drama in a local parish***

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***How do mixed institutions affect the transmission of clericalism?***

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***The role of women in parish churches: essential or irrelevant. The case of Chiclayo, a Peruvian provincial Northern city.***

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**N-2 SSSR: Issues of Race, Gender, and Age in Contemporary Mormonism**

**Room: Virtual Room 4**

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***“We Are All Children of God”: White Christian Teachers Discussing Racism***

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***Provo Feminists, “Waaahmen” and Delilah’s: Gendered Language and Misogyny in the ‘Deseret Nation’ Twitter Hashtag***

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***Patterns in Religious Disaffiliation among Latter-day Saints: The Role of the Lifecycle Effect***

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**N-3 SSSR: Religion, Race, and Immigrant Experience**

**Room: Virtual Room 1**

***A Church in Transition: How a Historically Black Church is Negotiating the Transition to Becoming ‘Multicultural’***

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***Developing “Thick Skin”: The Racialized Experiences of U.S. Religious Cross-Cultural Workers serving with PWIs in International Settings***

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***“Ye Double-Minded”: Black Parishioners’ Attitudes Toward Non-Affirming Church Climates***

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**N-4 SSSR: Religion and Politics**  
**Room: Virtual Room 2**

***The Association Between Involvement in Religious Practices and Acts of Volunteer Service***

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***Religious Pluralism Through Religious Freedom: Perspectives on the First Amendment***

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***Religion and Democratic Behaviors: A Comparative Study of El Salvador and Costa Rica***

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***Introducing the Faith-Based Organizations Receiving Foreign Aid (FOFRA) Dataset***

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***Christian-Muslim Mutual Remedial Activities for Peace Building in Pakistan (Discussions and Findings with Qualitative & Quantitative Study)***

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**N-5 SSSR: Secularizations and desecularizations: Individual and collective, peaceful and violent: Part 2**

**Room: Virtual Room 6**

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***Explaining the Operationalization of Religion in American Foreign Policy: Desecularizing actors, discourses and processes***

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***The Desecularization of Conflict: Exploring the Intersection of Religion and War in the post-Communist Space***

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***Military Religion***

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**N-6 SRRR: Virtual Professional Development Panel - Navigating the Job Market**

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**N-7 SSSR: Religion and COVID-19 in a Global Context**

**Room: Virtual Room 3**

***What does the Church of England's response to the COVID-19 pandemic reveal about its relationship with science?***

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***Searching for comfort in religion: insecurity and religiosity during (and after?) the COVID-19 pandemic in Italy***

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***Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Religiosity in Germany***

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***Religion in the time of COVID-19. Between integration and disintegration on the example of the academic community in Poland***

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**N-8 RRA Author Meets Critics: Identity and Social Networks: A Case of Chinese Graduate Students in the United States**

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**O-1 SSSR: Religion and COVID in a Global Context II**

**Room: Virtual Room 4**

***U.S. Megachurches and the Response to COVID 19***

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***Death and Dying; Interpretations of God's Healing Power in South African Churches***

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***Build an Ark: Media Evangelism's Controversial Appropriation of SARS as Precursor to the Hong Kong Protests and Pandemic***

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***The impact of Covid-19 and views on the post-pandemic Orthodox Church in Greece: An empirical research coupled with theological and missiological insight.***

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**O-2 SSSR: Religious Institutions, Nationalism and Identity Making**

**Room: Virtual Room 1**

***Globalization of Korean Evangelicals: New-Right and Outreach warriors***

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***Hong Kong's "Northbound Catholics": A Sociological Inquiry***

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***Understanding religious organisations as competing platforms***

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***A 25 year longitudinal study of Protestant churches down under: An Australian case study of strength and vulnerability***

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**O-3 SSSR: Religion, Science, and Environment**

**Room: Virtual Room 2**

***Climate change and Catholicism. Has the official position of the Catholic Church changed the attitude of the Catholic faithful?***

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***Manipulating Religion-Science Compatibility Increases Perceptions of Christians' Intelligence and Scientific Ability***

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***Religious Diversity in Science***

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***Perceptions of Conflict and Compatibility between Science and Religion across Four Countries***

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***Sacred Waters and Folk Science***

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**O-4 SSSR: Women, Religion and Global Advocacy**

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***“Nevertheless, She Persisted’: Freeing Women’s Bodies from the Silent Theological ‘Sacrifice Zone’”***

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***Breaking the Silence: British Muslim Women Tackling Spiritual Abuse***

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***The Holy Exclusion: Religious Belief and Gender Bias in India***

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**O-5 SSSR Author Meets Critics: Secularization, Desecularization, and Toleration: Cross-Disciplinary Challenges to a Modern Myth**

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**O-6 RRA: Religion and Health**

**Room: Virtual Room 3**

***Importing Care, Faithful Service***

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***Chameleon church – Challenges faced and solutions created in response to COVID-19 in the UK***

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***A Victorious Awakening? The #WakeUpOlive movement, Collective Effervescence, and Charismatic Identity.***

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**O-7 SSSR: Spirituality in the United States Military**

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***The CHAMP/SOCOM Spiritual Fitness Scale: Measuring Spirituality in the Military Performance Domain***

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***Defining “Spiritual” for use in the U.S. Air Force context that honors historical relevance***

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***The Army Chaplain Corps’ Spiritual Readiness Pilot***

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*The effects of sexual addiction on the spiritual health and readiness of the Air Force*  
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**P-1 SSSR Author Meets Critics: Escaping the Maze of Spiritual Abuse: Creating  
Healthy Christian Cultures**

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**P-2 SSSR: Religion, COVID and Conspiracy**

**Room: Virtual Room 5**

***Conspiracy beliefs and religiosity in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic***

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***Willpower and Temptation during COVID-19: a Bayesian study of internet searches***

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***Confucianism As a Cure for Covid-19: How Would We Know?***

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**P-3 SSSR: Experiencing Religion**

**Room: Virtual Room 1**

***Measuring Religiosity in the Global East: Asian Sheilaism and Non-exclusive  
Identities***

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***Perception of Islam and Relational Orientations of Hindu, Muslim and Christian Religious Groups in India and the United States***

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***Freedom from the Inside: Islamic Cultivations of Agency and Selfhood Among Converts to Sufi Islam***

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**P-4 SSSR: Jehovah's Witnesses: Impacts of Worldview on Knowledge Dissemination, Evangelism, and Identity**

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***Languages of Love, Affection, and Lifesaving Knowledge: Motivation for Jehovah's Witnesses Evangelizing in a Frightening World***

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***Jehovah's Witnesses' "Pure Language" Biblical Concept and Its Impact on Information Globalization***

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***Forgiveness and Reconciliation Between Jehovah's Witness Genocide Survivors and Reformed Perpetrators in Rwanda***

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***Jehovah's Witnesses and the Armenian State During the Post-Soviet Period: Religious Nationalism and Supranational "Others"***

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***Persecuting Apolitical Jehovah's Witnesses: Russia's Paradoxical Path and the Export of Its Religio-Political Ideologies to Former Soviet Spaces***

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**P-5 SSSR+RRA: Religion, Wealth, and Economics**

**Room: Virtual Room 2**

***Religion and Labor Market Performance: Is It What You Believe or How Much?***

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***Shades of gray: Survival strategies of the Catholic clergy in communist Czechoslovakia***

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***The Effect of Religion on Anti-Corruption Attitudes in Post-Communist Slovakia***

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***Resourceful Servants: Addressing Financial Wellness in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America***

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**P-6 SSSR: Mormon Life and Culture**

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***Quality of Life Changes in Inactive and Former Mormons in the Western United States***

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***Elite Religious Cues in the 2016 Election: The Unusual Case of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) and Donald Trump***

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***“There Are Never Too Many Miles to Travel”: Temple Worship as Pilgrimage***

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