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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to the IAFOR spring conference series, held online from Japan. I can hardly believe that this is the third consecutive spring that we have been uniquely online from Japan due to the coronavirus. In response to the pandemic, Japan closed its borders in March 2020, and is only now beginning to open them. Unfortunately this will be too late for the conference this year, but we look forward to 2023 being fully hybrid, onsite and online, and to welcoming delegates back in person to Japan.

As we hope the worst of the coronavirus pandemic is behind us, it is clear that there are no shortage of major and ongoing global and existential challenges that will need our collective and collaborative energies to address.

IAFOR is committed to nurturing global collaborations for the global public good, by encouraging interdisciplinary discussion, facilitating intercultural awareness and promoting international exchange. These exchanges can easily be dismissed as frivolous in times of immediate crises (pandemics, war), and ongoing and longer term crises (climate change), but our communicative and facilitative work is of crucial importance, as it emphasizes that which unites us, encouraging us to attack complex problems and their causes, rather than each other.

It is this openness to other ideas and opinions that is at the heart of the rigorous discussions which lead to new knowledge. We are stronger together, even and especially as we disagree. IAFOR is committed to providing the spaces to engage in meaningful and respectful debate, and in joining these conferences, your active participation is required to bring the International Academic Forum alive.

I look forward to seeing you all online, and one day in person.

Dr Joseph Haldane
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Tuesday at a Glance

15:00-15:10  Announcements, Recognition of IAFOR Scholarship Winners & Welcome Address
Joseph Haldane, IAFOR, Japan

15:10-16:10  Keynote Presentation
The Rehabilitation of a Buddhist Heretic
Brian Victoria, Oxford Centre for Buddhist Studies, United Kingdom

16:10-16:20  Break

16:20-17:20  Keynote Presentation
Religion and COVID-19 in the United States: The Good, the Bad, and the Shocking
Frank Ravitch, Michigan State University College of Law, United States

17:20-17:30  Break

17:30-18:30  Keynote Presentation
Successful Prophecy? Jehovah’s Witnesses, Covid-19 and the War in Ukraine
George D. Chryssides, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

18:30-18:40  Break

18:40-19:40  Moderated Discussion Panel
Ethical, Religious and Philosophical Dilemmas in Responding to COVID
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Frank Ravitch, Michigan State University College of Law, United States
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13:40-13:50  Break

13:50-15:05  Live-Stream Presentation Session 2
Room A: Philosophy - Philosophy and Religion
Room B: Mental Health

15:05-15:15  Break

15:15-16:30  Live-Stream Presentation Session 3
Room A: Ethics
Room B: General Psychology

16:30-16:40  Break

16:40-17:55  Live-Stream Presentation Session 4
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Thursday at a Glance

09:00-09:10  Announcements, Recognition of IAFOR Scholarship Winners & Welcome Address
Joseph Haldane, IAFOR, Japan

09:10-10:10  Panel Presentation
Helping Hands – Robotic Assistance in Supporting and Maintaining Social Interactions with Elders
Hee Rin Lee, Michigan State University, United States
James W. McNally, University of Michigan & NACDA Program on Aging, USA
Keith W. Miller, University of Missouri – St. Louis, United States
Ryuji Yamazaki-Skov, Osaka University, Japan

10:10-10:20  Break

10:20-11:20  Panel Presentation
Missing You – Resilience, Renewal and Rebuilding Intergenerational Contact Within Families
Debbie Howard, Aging Matters International, Japan
James W. McNally, University of Michigan & NACDA Program on Aging, USA
Lowell Sheppard, Never Too Late Academy, Japan

11:20-11:30  Break

11:30-12:30  Workshop Presentation
NACDA: Data on Aging Resources from Research Ideation to Long-Term Preservation and Sharing
James W. McNally, University of Michigan & NACDA Program on Aging, USA
Kathryn Lavender, NACDA Program on Aging, United States

12:30-12:50  Break
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Room A: Aging and Gerontology

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Aging and Gerontology: Social Integration and Engagement

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14:40-16:20  Live-Stream Presentation Session 2
Aging and Gerontology: Wellbeing

16:20-16:30  Break

16:30-17:45  Live-Stream Presentation Session 3
Aging and Gerontology: Policy and Response

17:45-17:55  Conference Closing Address
Joseph Haldane, IAFOR, Japan

Room B: Psychology and Education

12:50-13:50  Featured Presentation
Perceived Stress of Students During Online Learning
Roswiyani Roswiyani, Tarumanagara University, Indonesia
Monty P. Satiadarma, Tarumanagara University, Indonesia

13:50-14:00  Break

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Psychology and Education
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Sayumi Miyake | IAFOR Scholarship Recipient

A Case Study of Caregivers’ Social Skills Use in Practice: Interviews and an Observation about Interactions with Care Recipients
Sayumi Miyake is a graduate student of Okayama University Japan, and major psychology field. She currently study caregivers’ social skills (SS).

Indrayanti Indrayanti | IAFOR Scholarship Recipient

The Existence of Leader-Member Exchange in Supporting Millennials’ Work Meaningfulness in a Balance of Work and Personal Life

Dr Indrayanti, is currently an associate professor at the Faculty of Psychology, Gadjah Mada University (GMU), Indonesia. Indrayanti graduated from the Doctoral Program at Nottingham Business School, Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom.

Angelie Bautista | IAFOR Scholarship Recipient

Bloom Where Planted: The Inflorescence Model of Suicide Recovery Among Youths

Ms Angelie D. Bautista is a registered guidance counselor and works as a Senior Guidance Counselor at the University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines. She is currently a PhD candidate in Clinical Psychology at the University Santo Tomas-Graduate School.

Deepshikha Sharma | IAFOR Scholarship Recipient

Exploring the Ethics of Bionationalism: Fact-value Dichotomies, Scientism, and Pseudoscience

Deepshikha Sharma is currently a Teaching Fellow at KREA University, India. She recently completed her masters in Philosophy from University of Delhi.

Bhim Prasad Sapkota | IAFOR Scholarship Recipient

NCDs Risk Factors Among Nepalese Elders: How Prepared We Are?

Mr Bhim Prasad Sapkota is a public health professional working at the Ministry of Health and Population for Government of Nepal. He completed the Master's degree in Public Health at the Institute of Medicine, Tribhuvan University Kathmandu in 2012, and he is currently a PhD candidate at the Health-Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Germany.
Tuesday, March 29

Plenary Session

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Unlike the Theravāda tradition, the Mahāyāna tradition of Buddhism allows Buddhist clerics, male or female, to regain their clerical status if they previously lost it due to having broken one or more of the four major rules of the clerical life, i.e. the four pārājikas (defeats). This possibility is included in the Māhāyana Brahmajāla Sūtra (J. Bonmō-kyō). While clerics who intentionally break one or more of the pārājikas are still subject to the loss of their clerical status, as Bernard Faure notes, “the culprit can now rehabilitate himself through his own repentance and through the merits of others.”

This presentation deals with one such cleric, a Sōtō Zen cleric by the name of Uchiyama Gudō (1874–1911), who lost his clerical status in 1909 and was subsequently hung to death by the Japanese government on January 24, 1911. It was not until April 1993, 84 years later, that Gudō’s clerical status was restored. The restoration occurred because the Sōtō Zen sect admitted Gudō “had been a victim of the national policy of that day.” In essence, the Sōtō Zen sect admitted it had erred in depriving Gudō of his clerical status in 1909 since he had violated government policy, not one of the pārājikas as charged. This presentation will focus on the process of Gudō’s rehabilitation in postwar Japan.

Brian Victoria

Brian Victoria is a native of Omaha, Nebraska and a 1961 graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln, Nebraska. He holds a MA in Buddhist Studies from Sōtō Zen sect-affiliated Komazawa University in Tokyo, and a PhD from the Department of Religious Studies at Temple University.

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The responses to COVID-19 by religious individuals and entities in the United States have ranged from being scientifically informed, thoughtful, and balanced to endangering society. Similarly, the responses to religious concerns by government entities in the United States have ranged from scientifically sound while considering the needs of religious communities to pandering to certain religious communities in a manner that endangers society as a whole. Not surprisingly, much of this has coincided with the politicization of COVID in the United States. Thus, while the Jewish, Islamic, Buddhist and other religious communities have generally supported vaccination, masking, and social distancing (including holding services on Zoom), there has been a divide within Christianity. Most Christian denominations support vaccination, masking, and social distancing, but denominations associated more with social conservatism (for example, a large number of white Evangelicals) oppose vaccination, masking and distancing. Meanwhile, the response by state governments to religious vaccine exemptions and religious gatherings has varied from sincere attempts to accommodate religion with no or minimal harm to public health to subverting religion to public health concerns to pandering to conservative religious entities at the expense of public health.

Frank S. Ravitch


Professor Ravitch's articles, which have appeared in a number of highly regarded journals, have primarily focused on law and religion in the US and Japan, but he has also written about civil rights law and disability discrimination. He has authored a number of amicus briefs to the US Supreme Court and has given numerous academic presentations nationally and internationally. In 2001, he was named a Fulbright scholar and served on the law faculty at Doshisha University (Japan). He has also made dozens of public presentations explaining the law before school groups, community groups, and service clubs and has served as an expert commentator for print and broadcast media.

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Jehovah’s Witnesses have acquired a reputation for making prophecies that have failed. In this presentation, it is argued that such accusations are unfair: on the contrary, they have denied themselves plausible opportunities to claim success. In December 2005, the front page of the Jehovah’s Witnesses’ Awake! magazine bore the heading: “The Next Global Pandemic – When?” Despite the Watch Tower Society’s interest in prophecy, they did not claim the Covid-19 pandemic as fulfilment of this warning, but as one of a number of signs that the end of the world’s present system is near. The King of the South, to whom the biblical prophet Daniel refers (Daniel 11: 5-13) is identified with Russia, and predicted to wage a large-scale war. Although such predictions could be used as examples of successful predictive prophecy, Jehovah’s Witnesses have merely regarded such catastrophes as signs that we are living in the earth’s last days. Instead of boasting successful prediction, Witnesses have prepared themselves for such disasters, and the presentation examines some of the ways in which they have anticipated natural and human disasters, and adapted their practices accordingly.

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One of the most worrying aspects of the COVID pandemic was the "locking down" of huge swathes of the global population, for the general security of the population, for "their own good". When China first responded to the coronavirus outbreak in Wuhan by incarcerating the whole of the city, it was an effective but shocking response. Many commentators opined that China might be able to do that, but in countries where freedoms of movement and assembly were societal cornerstones, surely that wouldn't be possible. However, "lockdowns" quickly spread, and the ability of China to control its population through what amounted to mass incarceration was lauded as highly efficient, evidencing the superiority of an autocratic system in times of crisis.

Soon lockdowns were complemented by track and trace technologies that not only allowed, but mandated unprecedented invasions of privacy, justifying enormous data transfer between individuals and the government and private sector contractors.

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Joseph Haldane (Moderator)

Joseph Haldane is the Chairman and CEO of IAFOR. He is responsible for devising strategy, setting policies, forging institutional partnerships, implementing projects, and overseeing the organisation's business and academic operations, including research, publications and events.

Dr Haldane holds a PhD from the University of London in 19th-century French Studies, and has had full-time faculty positions at the University of Paris XII Paris-Est Créteil (France), Sciences Po Paris (France), and Nagoya University of Commerce and Business (Japan), as well as visiting positions at the French Press Institute in the University of Paris II Panthéon-Assas (France), The School of Journalism at Sciences Po Paris (France), and the School of Journalism at Moscow State University (Russia).

Dr Haldane’s current research concentrates on post-war and contemporary politics and international affairs, and since 2015 he has been a Guest Professor at The Osaka School of International Public Policy (OSIPP) at Osaka University, where he teaches on the postgraduate Global Governance Course, and Co-Director of the OSIPP-IAFOR Research Centre, an interdisciplinary think tank situated within Osaka University.

A Member of the World Economic Forum’s Expert Network for Global Governance, Dr Haldane is also a Visiting Professor in the Faculty of Philology at the University of Belgrade (Serbia), a Visiting Professor at the School of Business at Doshisha University (Japan), and a Member of the International Advisory Council of the Department of Educational Foundations at the College of Education of the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa (United States).

From 2012 to 2014, Dr Haldane served as Treasurer of the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (Chubu Region) and he is currently a Trustee of the HOPE International Development Agency (Japan). He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Asiatic Society in 2012, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts in 2015.
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Wednesday, March 30

Parallel Sessions

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With their roots in animism and Shintōism, Japan’s mythical creatures known as yōkai have been feared, revered, and used to explain calamities or inexplicable phenomena. Needless to say, in the early stages of the Covid-19 outbreak and even now to some extent, very little was known about the origins of the virus, its potency, and how it could be prevented or treated effectively. Naturally, this threw most countries in the world into a state of confusion and Japan was no exception. However, as opposed to seeking answers from conspiracy theories to make sense of the unknown, Japan turned to Amabīe(アマビエ)—a mermaid-like yōkai known for predicting either an impending epidemic or abundant harvest. While Amabīe offers no explanation, advice or immediate help, it is believed that by recreating manifestations of its image, people can defend themselves against illness. Whether it was wishful thinking or simply a trend is debatable, but countless artists, city councils, product manufacturers, and shrines around the country all jumped onto the bandwagon of producing and promoting products with images of Amabīe in 2020. Although their motives varied and a sense of hope certainly contributed to the production and consumption of Amabīe, in this presentation I argue that the profit factor was a major incentive for shrines and businesses who invested in the trend. I will demonstrate this by drawing upon previous research on the commodification of religion while providing examples of the commodification of Amabīe by local, corporate and secular entities.
Compassion as Our Origins: Examining a Kyoto School Approach
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Rapid advancement in science and technology has not only brought us accessibility and comfort, but also serious environmental problems and issues resulting from close interactions of people with different modes of thinking. Thus, suffering and conflicts are, in many ways, no longer confined to distant parts of the globe. As such, recently there have been ongoing attempts to develop new approaches to philosophy focusing on compassion while nurturing awareness about our interdependent mode of existence. To that end, this article focuses primarily on recent writings on compassion by Ohashi Ryosuke, a contemporary Japanese philosopher in the tradition of the Kyoto School. This paper seeks to accomplish the following: (1) elucidates the inner workings of pathos of coexistence that Ohashi develops at the concept of “emptiness”, and (2) attempts to critically examine a view of emptiness by which Ohashi’s compassion is supported, discerning its possibilities and limitations.

A Critique on Nietzsche’s Critique on Christian Morality
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In the beginning of the Christian story, before Adam and Eve committed the original sin, they did not know what is good and what is evil. After disobeying God’s command “not to eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil”, they had a distorted knowledge of what is good and what is evil. What is really good and what is really evil? In this paper, the answer to that question coming from the history of Christian morality will be articulated. Specifically, it will differentiate the Christian morality coming from the perspective of Council of Trent (1545-63) and the Christian morality coming from the perspective of Vatican II (1962-65). After that, the paper will articulate the critique of Friedrich Nietzsche (1844-1900) on Christian morality coming from two of his main works which are “Beyond Good and Evil” and “The Genealogy of Morals”. The paper will conclude giving a critique on the critique of Nietzsche on Christian morality. Specifically, the paper will show that the critique of Nietzsche holds a lot of truth but the Christian morality that he critiqued is the Christian morality before Vatican II. It is even possible that Nietzsche will like the Christian morality of Vatican II although most probably, he would have reservations.

Origen on the Will
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No other philosophers quoted Plato so often as Origen, the founder of philosophical theology through his synthesis of philosophy with Biblical exegesis. Contra Celsum II, 16, informs us about Plato’s myth in Republic X, where Plato narrates the fate of man and his choice. It is generally known that volition and mind (nous) are inseparable. Socrates holds that virtue is knowledge (episteme); that is, if one knows what good is, he does good. In brief, knowledge of goodness is necessarily the action of goodness. Likewise, for Origen the choice of the will, being an act of pistis, is related to the act of knowledge. Hence will, knowledge and faith form a triadic relationship. In First Principle Book III, 1, Origen inquires into the main principles of Christian faith for salvation: ‘eph’ hêmin’ (within our own power), ‘to thelein’ (the will) and ‘autexousion’ (self-determination). In this article I discuss Origen’s concept of the will in terms of Plato’s Republic X and Laws X to try to uphold the premise that Origen, in his Peri Archon, does not assert that the devil’s fall is caused by his substance, but by his free choice of will. Hence the first section will discuss the difference between freedom and volition, the second, Origen’s concepts of ‘eph’ hêmin’, ‘to thelein’ and ‘autexousion’ and the third will investigate Origen’s views on previous causes in terms of Plato’s Republic X and Laws X.
The Ethics and Efficacy of Luxury Art as a Dimension of Corporate Social Responsibility
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Recent years have seen renewed interest in the corporate social responsibility (CSR) of luxury brands, with a strong focus on sustainability and circular fashion. However, relatively little work has examined the potential role of visual art as a dimension of CSR for brands within this sector. In this analysis, we address this lacuna by integrating insights from contemporary ethics, art history, and business ethics to evaluate the opportunities, risks, and societal implications of such an approach. This analysis is buoyed by three key observations: 1) the recognition that visual art, generally, makes a critical contribution to human well-being and social function, 2) luxury brands, as a category, are more artistically inclined than brands from other sections, and 3) luxury brands play an outsized role in the development of artistic preferences and the generation of creative tastes. In synthesizing these inter-disciplinary insights, we provide an account of how, and under what circumstances, luxury art makes the greatest contributions to the social good, as well as addressing the larger, ethical considerations presented by corporate art.

Exploring the Ethics of Bionationalism: Fact-value Dichotomies, Scientism, and Pseudoscience
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Terminologically diluting the fact-value dichotomy, Bionationalism has evolved from a fixation on ethnic identities to grandiose visions of cultural heritage. While it plagues with distorted accounts of history, 'Othering' many and peddling pseudoscience, it heals by acknowledging indigenous epistemologies while validating a sense of belonging through empirical means. Such a weakening of the fact-value divide, nonetheless, emphasises the factual or scientific aspect of affairs. For instance, an ancient literary piece is used to prove the existence of techno-scientific inventions or prescribe cures. A demand for a particular kind of knowledge can be detected, where the value lies primarily in facts. Such an exploration breeds a curiosity about the ethics of knowing itself - is it ethical to collectively prefer one method of knowing? Is it ethical to dilute the lines between fact and value, where obscurantism morphs into scientism? Is it ethical to affirm one's identity through divisive claims arising from Bionationalistic movements? While there are no simple answers, such questions and considerations help spot conflicts of interest and fabricated narratives, highlighting the necessity to disband such archaic dichotomies for better epistemic practices. Such critical explorations shall equip individuals to make informed ethical choices; whether that be regarding the facts in biology or the values that make up nationalism.

Ethics in Higher Education Post Covid-19 Pandemic
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Pandemics have historically contributed to vast social, economic, and political change. The recent coronavirus (covid-19) pandemic has demonstrated similar patterns and included the transition of higher education systems from traditional methods of educating students, to remote learning methods utilizing electronic learning (e-learning) platforms. This has altered the way in which educators transmit knowledge to their students and the learner's ability to comprehend information, consequently leading to compromised ethical behavior. This study aims to identify ethical dilemmas and moral languages that have been affected during the covid-19 pandemic. A framework is devised to facilitate sustainable ethical behavior to help educators and student's post-pandemic. A systematic review is conducted via a thorough literature search. Results have indicated a transition onto e-learning platforms have presented the following ethical dilemmas in higher education: ethics of consequences, ethics of consistency and ethics of care. This has related to authenticity of assessments pertaining to accreditation and compliance, quality of education, equity, student security and inclusivity. The moral languages affected during the covid-19 pandemic include rules and principles, character, and basic beliefs. This study has deduced that educators are deemed as moral actors who can create a myriad of consequences. However, by considering society and diverse backgrounds, students can be nurtured through behavior adaptation forming the foundation of social ethics and demonstrating virtue ethics. This will contribute towards positive sustainable student development and cultivate good ethical behavior in higher education post-pandemic.
Business concept is gradually changing on a global level, shifting from a chiefly profit focused viewpoint to a more stakeholder focused perspective. As the number of social enterprises increase and business enterprises become more socially conscious, leaders worldwide face the challenge to accommodate this shifting trend from stockholder interest to stakeholder interest. Japanese companies have long proven to be successful, using a unique stakeholder management approach. This paper focuses on Japanese companies, analysing the importance and management style of five key stakeholders - customers, employees, suppliers, shareholders and the environment. Taking Aristotle’s virtue approach, this study conducts an in-depth analysis of business practices, social values and corporate culture, subsequently developing the NipponEthics Stakeholder Model, which shows a unique balancing mechanism practised in Japanese society; the position and role of all five stakeholders are explained using this visual aid. The paper investigates a complex scenario and provides a simple, practical model, so that businesses outside Japan can understand the structure of this symbiotic ecosystem based on a platform of respect. Additionally, the model can be utilized domestically on Japanese business failure scenarios, aiding the assessment of imbalance and analysing the reasons for such decline.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) algorithms are playing a great role in modern society nowadays. Developing AI-based algorithms more intelligent than humans, for example, it has beaten humans in many specific domains such as chess, and ensuring the use of their advanced intelligence for good rather than bad raises a lot of ethical issues including safety, security, privacy, human dignity, etc. Next-Generation Wireless Communication Networks (NGWNs) is one of the growing areas where new technologies are emerging, for example, 6G from 5G and deploys AI techniques such as Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) for generating synthetic data in order to develop data-driven models, for example, real-time resource allocation, channel modelling, etc. Consequentialism decides that an action is good or bad depending on its outcome. To that end, this paper presents an overview of AI ethics in the context of wireless networks and investigates how AI ethics is related to AI from the philosophical perspective. It focuses on the ethical implications and moral questions that arise from the development and deployment of AI algorithms. Further, it verifies the claim that consequentialism drives AI, by addressing the possible impacts of deploying AI-based algorithms on society. It also verifies its ethical feasibility with the famous German philosopher Immanuel Kant, who defines ethics as "act as you would want all other people to act towards all other people". Several ethical initiatives taken by countries across the globe to address the ethical concerns and issues emerging in relation to AI-based algorithms are also reviewed.

In this presentation, I will discuss Watsuji Tetsuro’s Rinrigaku. Watsuji’s work presents a much needed corrective to Western ethical projects that overemphasise individualism; and it does so in a way that anticipates Western communitarianism and post-humanism, while at the same time being, often, more subtle than either. Rinrigaku is a rich, suggestive work -- one that, in addition, is occasionally given to making startling, almost provocative claims. It is also complex and open-textured, inviting the reader to actively construct some of the architecture of the book’s ethical argument. In particular, I think that engaging with some key questions that Rinrigaku raises, but does not expressly answer in a definitive way, is key to assessing its success as an ethical project. I propose to address two of these questions in this presentation. They are: Does Rinrigaku make (adequate) room for individual rights? And: Can Rinrigaku be interpreted as defending a moral objectivist stance (roughly, one which treats ethics as a matter of moral facts), or does it ultimately propose a conventionalist morality (roughly, one where ethics is reduced to the contingent practices of any given community)? My normative premises are that moral conventionalism is unattractive and that rights should matter under any ethical system; thus, I am interested in a reading of Rinrigaku -- assuming one is possible -- that can be reconciled with these normative premises.
One recent trend in business, accelerated by the pandemic, is the implementation of Phygital Retail: Consumer experiences that creatively integrate physical and digital elements. Typically, this means integrating digital sensors, facial recognition, augmented reality, and virtual reality into the physical retail environment. Implicit in the excitement about phygital shopping is that it can provide advantages above and beyond purely physical experiences and strictly digital experiences. However, there is yet to be a mechanistic account for how such advantages may be derived. In this paper, we address this lacuna by producing a framework drawn from consumer neuroscience, evolutionary psychology, and neuromarketing. We argue that phygital experiences are uniquely placed to create greater anticipated pleasure and psychological attachment during the pre-purchase phase of the consumer experience. In addition, given the implementation of certain payment technology, certain phygital environments also inoculate consumers to the psychological pain of payment. Given these influences on the consumer experience, as well as the novelty of such technological application, we close with a discussion of the ethical implications of phygital retail environments.
Bloom Where Planted: The Inflorescence Model of Suicide Recovery Among Youths
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The increasing prevalence rate of suicide makes it a major public health concern worldwide. Nevertheless, suicidal ideation is preventable when given the continuous efforts to fully understand this phenomenon. This grounded theory study examined the process of suicide recovery among a selection of Filipino youth aged 15 to 27. Twenty-five survivors of suicide attempts were purposively selected and went through in-depth interviews. Through open, axial, and selective coding, guided by analytic memos, data was processed by consistently moving back and forth for the constant comparative analysis. Emerging categories were monitored until all new data fitted into existing categories and new data emerged from further theoretical sampling or data saturation. Theoretical triangulation aided in making the findings comprehensive. Peer debriefing and member validation were conscientiously employed to be able to yield a substantive theory called the Inflorescence Model of Suicide Recovery. This model emerged and likened suicide recovery to the processes that a flowering plant goes through. It elucidates the phases of suicide recovery: (1) immersion: the acknowledgment of brokenness and vulnerabilities; (2) germination: the process of splitting off the seed coat of emotional pains; (3) emersion: the sprouting out from the soil; (4) entrenchment: the process of rooting deeper; and (5) inflorescence: the flourishing and sustaining suicide recovery. The Inflorescence Model of Suicide Recovery can contribute to the development of psychological intervention and management strategies for youths suffering from suicidality.

Decreasing Mental Illness Stigma through Peer to Peer Socialization during an Mental Health Awareness Walk at an International University
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A Mental Health Awareness walk at an international university campus has been conducted yearly for the purpose of decreasing stigma, increasing awareness, and improving knowledge about mental illness while increasing accessibility to mental health services. These annual events include peer to peer instruction, small group facilitation by peer mentors, direct exposure to individuals with mental illness, normalization of speaking about personal and familial histories of mental illness, and normalizing experiences of mental health. Statistically Significant Increase of Mental Health Awareness and Knowledge as well as Decrease in Stigma were demonstrated through pre and post assessments among walking participants, peer mentors, and student presenters. Principles of Self Perception, Social Identity Theory, Social Psychology of Prejudice, and Social Modeling theory will be discussed as organizing principles of the Mental Health Awareness Walk. Suggestions for strategies of decreasing stigma, increasing knowledge and awareness, and increasing accessibility to mental health services will be discussed.

Pathways of Resilience and Recovery From Trauma for Cambodian Young People
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Trauma is prevalent worldwide and affects millions of children each year. The long-lasting effects of trauma are far-reaching and recovery from trauma can be challenging. The phenomena of the ability to recover from traumatic circumstances and adversity is known as resilience. Yet there is limited research available on resilience in developing countries, such as Cambodia. This presentation is based on PhD research that explored the individual, social and cultural factors that promote resilience and recovery from trauma. This qualitative study consisted of 40 interviews, 26 of these interviews were with of young Cambodians with a history of early childhood trauma that included incarceration, trafficking and modern-day slavery. The remaining 14 interviews, were conducted with key informants from non-government organisations working within the child protection space. Themes identified in the research contributing to resilience included social connectedness, the ability to successfully regulate emotions, opportunities for education and employment, meaning making, and faith and spirituality. This presentation will explore resilience and discuss the implications of the findings of this research. Strategies for supporting trauma survivors will be presented, relevant for both individuals and organisations working with trauma survivors in a variety of contexts.
Evidence for the nature and related mechanisms underlying resilience measured by the Resilience Scale for Adolescents (READ) is limited. Even though validation studies of the scale exist, no nomological network analysis of the scale has ever been conducted. Therefore, the network of resilience has been examined, including sociodemographic variables, symptoms of anxiety and depression, stress, self-efficacy, and self-esteem. Data was collected from 1,986 students aged 10-15 (t1: M = 11.76; SD = .65) in September/October 2020 and April/May 2021 (t2: M = 12.28; SD = .56). First, structural and temporal stability of the READ was tested. Secondly, the nomological network of the scale was analyzed. Third, zero-order correlations and structural equation modeling with the READ and key conceptual domains were conducted. Finally, the effects of demographic variables were investigated using independent t-tests and analyses of variance (ANOVA). Results supported a 24-item, 5-factor structure of resilience (Askeland et al. 2019) including the subdimensions goal orientation, family cohesion, social competence, social support and self-confidence. Only trivial changes in measurement invariance models across time and gender could be detected. The network analyses identified strong connections between indicators belonging to social support, and family cohesion. Furthermore, the READ was concurrently associated with the key domains. In general, males, natives, and students with a high socio-economic status showed significantly higher levels of protective factors than females, students with a migration background, and students with a lower socio-cultural status. Therefore, specific interventions for these groups are needed to foster their protective factors and hinder risk factors.

A supportive relationship with parents facilitates children's positive adaptation. However, children often present discrepant views with their parents on their relationship, and these discrepancies lead to meaningful impacts on child adjustment as depicted in the Operations Triad Model. No study to date has investigated how (in)congruence in perceived child–parent closeness impacts Chinese children’s socioemotional adjustment and the potential mediation role of resilience accounting for this link. In the present study, 211 Chinese children (10-12 years old; 49.8% boys) and one of their parents reported their perceptions of child–parent closeness. Children also completed the measures of socioemotional difficulties and resilience. The results of polynomial regression with response surface analysis showed that more socioemotional difficulties occurred when children and parents both perceived a low level of closeness and when children reported lower closeness than their parents. Child–parent incongruence on their perceptions of closeness was positively associated with children's socioemotional difficulties, and low levels of resilience showed a significant indirect effect in the mediation analysis. These findings extended the Operations Triad Model by elaborating the distinct outcomes corresponding to (in)congruent perceptions of child–parent dyads on their closeness and providing new knowledge on resilience's mediating role. Intervention programs may consider reducing child–parent incongruent views of relationship closeness and incorporate resilience training for facilitating socioemotional adjustment of Chinese children.

Engaging in episodic future thinking, where a person imagines a specific, personal future, influences decisions partly through evoking affective experiences. While there is a growing literature on how future thinking influences affect, few studies have assessed this effect on discrete emotions. In this systematic review, we examined studies assessing the effects of episodic future thinking on discrete emotions. The aim was to provide an overview of which emotions have been studied, the evidence for an effect of future thinking on emotions, and the characteristics of emotional, episodic future thoughts. We identified 12 experimental studies (N = 2825) and synthesized these narratively. Findings suggest that episodic future thinking has some influence on several different emotions, including happiness, anxiety, and sadness. While the effects for most emotions were inconsistent, consistent effects were found for enjoyment and compassion. Imagining positive, personal future events can evoke enjoyment. Similarly, imagining instances of helping others in the future can elicit compassion. We suggest possible explanations for why future thinking only consistently influences some discrete emotions, emphasizing the cognitive appraisals and behavioral functions associated with the discrete emotions. We provide suggestions for empirically assessing effects of episodic future thinking on discrete emotions in future research.
The Content of the Arabic Literature Textbooks and Developing Morals among Learners: Reality and Hope
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The World Health Organization stated that violence could occur on the way to or from school/school-sponsored events, on the school premises or at school. It also suggested that preventing violence through curriculum-based activities is a central part of school-based violence prevention which involves working directly with learners to look at some of the root causes of violent behavior. In addition, the literature review revealed that some Egyptian stories are thick with vulgarity and vulgar terms. Secondary school teachers also use examples and exercises that lead to the same result. This contradicts with the goals of teaching the Arabic literature in secondary schools in Egypt, which is to develop morals among learners. The current study aims at examining these examples and identifies the negative effects of using such educational content and exercises. To achieve this goal, the current study used the content analysis method and analyzed the content of the Arabic literature textbooks at the secondary stage in Egypt in light of the objectives of teaching Arabic literature at that stage. It revealed an important result which is the current content of Arabic literature textbooks may lead to the development of violence among learners, so this content must be changed and another one should be built in order to achieve the desired goal of teaching the Arabic literature, which is the development of morals among learners.

Self-efficacy, SSI Learning Interest, SSI Critical Thinking Interest as Predictors of Students’ Reflection and Performance
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This investigation explored (1) the impact of socio-scientific issues (SSI) on students’ (a) self-efficacy, (b) SSI learning interest, and (c) critical thinking interest in discussions focused on resolving SSI, and (2) how such impact might also predict (d) students’ reflective thinking practice (hereafter reflection) and (e) oral presentation learning performance. Self-efficacy, learning interest, and critical thinking have each been shown to predict reflection and learning performance in the science classroom. Yet unexplored has been examination of the impact of aggregating self-efficacy, learning interest, and critical thinking within one model for predicting reflection and learning performance among students. Paired-t-test and PLS-SEM were constructed with five factors: self-efficacy, SSI learning interest, SSI critical thinking interest, reflection, and learning performance. Data for the first three factors were collected using a Likert-type 5-point scale measuring grade 10 students’ (N = 30) self-evaluated responses. Data for reflection were collected from a 5-point rubric researchers used to assess students’ individual answers to four open-ended questions concerned with resolving two SSIs. Data for learning performance were collected from two independent judges who used a 100-point scale to grade students’ oral performances during five-minute small group presentations reflecting what students believed would resolve the SSIs under consideration. Results showed the SSI intervention was effective in improving the students’ SSI learning outcomes as they relate to reflection and learning performance, however, affective outcomes cannot be significantly improved. In addition, we further discovered SSI learning interest significantly predicted students’ reflection and learning performance. Reasons for these results and why they are important to effective classroom instruction are forwarded.
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The use of robotic assistive devices in nursing homes, residential facilities, and homebound elders has rapidly increased as technology has improved. Researchers have argued that robotics will play a significant role in the coming decades. Lifelike animals provide visual and physical stimuli to impaired elders. Still, more advanced technology now allows robotics to provide communication support, reminders, and the ability to interact with family members and offer eldercare virtually. Alternatively, some care advocates have expressed concern that robotics will become a substitute for in-person interactions between elders, family members, and support networks. There are also concerns that the extensive use of robotics may negatively impact the quality of care received by the individual from residential providers. This panel will offer an authoritative discussion of the positive uses of robotics in supporting and supplementing the care of homebound, disabled, or cognitively impaired elders. While recognizing the potential risk of abuse if robotics becomes a substitute for care, the panel will emphasize how robotics can improve the emotional health of elders and best practices to ensure that robotics represents a supplemental tool to improve the overall quality of life of the older population.

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https://www8.cao.go.jp/cstp/english/society5_0/index.html
The year 2020 was a time of resilience, with widespread separation and the suspension of family contact and intergenerational support. Following this was a time of rebuilding and renewal as vaccines for the COVID-19 virus slowly became more available, and as a result, the re-emergence of intergenerational visits and the re-initiation of suspended contacts. As we enter 2022, we begin to create a “new normal” that will allow for the safe return of intergenerational support, visiting, and sharing. While many problems remain, concern for our elders is creating new ways to interact while reducing the risk of infection. Families are reuniting and finding ways to support and share experiences in a post-pandemic world. This plenary session will share the stories of three researchers and their experiences in attempting to maintain and re-establish physical and emotional contact with elders isolated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Their stories express the shared concern, fear, and hope that we all experienced when cut off from our families during the pandemic.

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Her second book, The Caregiving Crisis: What It Costs Your Business and How to Fix It, is available from late February 2022, and helps companies with practical ways to support their employee caregivers.

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Research serves the general good of the public, and the value of research data increases as it becomes discoverable, reusable, and applicable to a variety of industries and disciplines. Data archives allow research data to be distributed widely and in multiple formats, enabling the research community to share and reuse data on-demand and keep the data safe and preserved. As data archives and the research community become more efficient with data sharing and preservation, the data materials can become more accessible, which can benefit a variety of disciplines and enable team science/multidisciplinary research opportunities. The National Archive of Computerized Data on Aging (NACDA) is one of several social science data archives focusing on data on aging. Our mission is to advance research on aging populations and be a resource to the research community. NACDA offers data from all over the globe. Our archival system also provides a mechanism for the equitable distribution of data resources, so it can be used by any researcher, supporting a multitude of research opportunities.

This workshop, sponsored by IAFOR and NACDA, will offer hands-on examples of discovering data resources, obtaining them, and then implementing them as part of a research strategy. This workshop will facilitate your work, whether you are a student looking for a thesis topic, an instructor looking for research material to use in classroom teaching, or an established researcher looking for new opportunities. The wealth of publicly available data has created almost unlimited opportunities to explore new themes and collaborate with other researchers worldwide. NACDA has been in existence for over 35 years, and it preserves and distributes over 1,500 studies on the lifecourse and health in the United States and worldwide. Funded by the National Institute on Aging in the United States, NACDA represents one of the world's largest research data collections.

The workshop will introduce you to the data resources NACDA offers and its many research partners worldwide. All researchers attending The 8th Asian Conference on Aging & Gerontology (AGen2022), The 12th Asian Conference on Psychology & the Behavioral Sciences (ACP2022), or The 12th Asian Conference on Ethics, Religion & Philosophy (ACERP2022) are welcome to participate in this workshop. We invite you to ask questions and learn about data resources you can use for research, classroom instruction, or developing a research paper or thesis for your college classes. All you need is your laptop or mobile device, and our instructors will help you better understand the wealth of information that lies at your fingertips. If you would like to send us questions in advance of the workshop, please email icpsr-nacda@umich.edu in advance of the conference, and we will try to incorporate your questions into the content.
James W. McNally

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Of the 98 million Americans over-55, only 1 million of those volunteer, even though research has proven it improves longevity and quality of life (Zedlewski, 2006). The American government has invested funding in various volunteer programs through a program called AmeriCorps. Over 40,000 communities across the country are serviced by 270,000 volunteers whose combined volunteering accounts for 1.6 billion service hours yearly. Established in 1965, AmeriCorps mission is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering.

One of their programs, the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP), specifically gives 22,000 seniors the opportunity to be a volunteer yearly. FGP seeks to increase the physical, emotional, and economic well-being of this population, and it has had remarkable success. Per AmeriCorps data, 84% of senior volunteers report an increase in positive health outcomes after one year of service. This program’s design is worthy of replication by other countries and social service organizations for a number of reasons. It is one of the few volunteer programs for seniors that offers an annual stipend. The program appeals to funders because not only do seniors benefit, but there are benefits for multiple generations; it is a tutoring program for low-income students, and seeks to address a host of other social issues affecting infants, children, teenagers, and young-mothers. The intergenerational component of this program significantly impacts seniors and is a unique solution to loneliness, which significantly impacts seniors’ health.

Does Intergenerational Support Affect Older People’s Social Participation? An Empirical Test from Chinese Elderly Population
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As social participation is one of the keys to successful aging, how to promote older people’s social participation has become an essential task around the globe. This study examined the association between various kinds of intergenerational support older people received and their social participation. The dataset of China Survey of Elderly Health Influencing Factors (CLHLS), which is a long-term household follow-up survey of adults aged 65 years old and above was utilized in this study. It was indicated that in addition to caring support, financial support and emotional support were all positively associated with older people’s social participation. We observed rural-urban and gender differences in the impacts of financial support and emotional support on social participation and these impacts were significant in urban group. Although the effect of emotional support is significant in both groups, financial support is only obvious in female group. As for mediating effect, financial support was likely to improve older people’s self-rated health and the improvement of self-rated health was likely to enhance their social participation. At the same time, emotional support increased older people’s life satisfaction and the enhancement of life satisfaction resulted in higher levels of social participation. We supplemented the impact of a kind of support on older people’s social participation, namely intergenerational support and tested the evidence of urban-rural differences, gender differences and the mediating effect of self-rated health and life satisfaction in this relationship within the context of Chinese culture.

The Importance of Social Integration and Engagement in Ensuring Older Adult Preparedness for an Endemic COVID-19
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COVID-19 has revealed itself to be a prolonged issue leading most countries to adopt an ‘endemic’ approach to the disease. It has thus become prudent to identify the factors that would enable vulnerable populations such as older adults to both cope with the current COVID-19 pandemic and adapt to treating COVID-19 as an endemic disease. As such, this paper examines the importance of social integration in helping older adults to both live with COVID-19 and adapt to the endemic. Drawing on data from the Singapore Life Panel (SLP), a monthly panel survey of adults aged between 57-76 (in 2022) in Singapore that has been running since 2015, this study draws relations using cross-sectional analyses of the data between social integration and engagement (measured using an adaption of Keyes’ social well-being instrument) and several indicators of pandemic and endemic preparedness such as mental preparedness for living with the endemic, and willingness to vaccinate against COVID-19. Ultimately, we present preliminary evidence that social integration is an important factor that reinforces older adults’ confidence to live alongside COVID-19. Longer-term interventions should also work to increase the social engagement of older adults in their communities. More specifically, initiatives should go beyond merely interacting with older adults to prevent their social isolation by also ensuring that older adults have socially meaningful roles to play in their communities. This is essential as society adapts both to the prospect of living with an endemic COVID-19, as well as the demographic trend of an ageing population.

Explore Daily Dyadic Conversation Between Typical Older Adults and Partners in Community in Taiwan
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Taiwan is projected into a super-aged society in 2025. Older adults connect surrounding environment (i.e., family and communities) and make friendship development through having conversation among people in everyday life. The purpose of the current study was to explore patterns of contributed conversation between two typical older adults. Contributions of conversation turns and speaking roles, were quantitatively and qualitatively compared and contrasted. The qualitative analysis of conversation turns and speaking roles were detailed documented in several extracts to document the co-constructions of the conversation processes and meanings. There were 20 typical older adults aged 65 and over recruited, including 10 males and 10 females, from local community groups. The first 10 typical male older adults were recruited, and then each of them was requested to recommend one typical female older adult (e.g., spouses, siblings, relatives, caregivers) from their family members. Each typical male older adult conversed with his recommended familiar typical female old adult for a 10-minute, once a week, five times in total. There were 50 dyadic conversation sessions (i.e., 10 male–female dyads) collected. Five steps of data analysis were completed, including: transcribing dyadic conversation sessions; coding conversation turns; coding speaking roles (i.e., author, animator, and principal); calculating inter-coder and intra-coder reliability. Asymmetrical contributions of conversation turns and coding speaking roles were found. Implications were discussed.
Grandparent’s Role as a Caregiver: The Impact on Life Satisfaction and Perceived Health Status of Grandparents in India

In most societies, older adults in the family have been known to provide informal care to their grandchildren either as a primary caregiver or in a supplementary role. Grandparents are often tasked with many household responsibilities and this may have an impact on their well-being. The main objective of the study is to examine grandparental caregiving in India and the factors that influence it using data from Longitudinal Ageing Study in India, Wave 1 (2017-18). Additionally, the study also examines the effect of caregiving on life satisfaction and perceived health status of grandparent. Bivariate and multivariate analyses have been used to examine the factors affecting caregiving and to understand the impact of caregiving on life satisfaction and health status of grandparent. Results show that most grandparent in India are relatively young (40-59 years), falling in the 40-59 years age group (59.3%). Among them, 22.3% actively care for their grandchildren while 18.8% of grandparents above 60 years care for their grandchildren. Living arrangements, sex, age and limitations in activities of daily living have a significant effect on caregiving. Life satisfaction among grandparent is also greatly influenced by grandparent who care for their grandchildren. Grandparents who do not provide care to their grandchildren have lower odds of being satisfied with their lives and have a lesser likelihood to have reported better health status as compared to those who care for their grandchildren. There exists a need for extensive research on grandparenting, focusing on their well-being to better understand their situation and provide necessary assistance.

The Happy and the Not-so-happy: Discriminant Analysis of Retirees’ Wellbeing in Abu Dhabi

We examine a wide range of wellbeing determinants of retirees in Abu Dhabi. Using data from the second Abu Dhabi Quality of Life survey. A total of 1036 retired persons responded. The retirees were classified as (happy) and (not-so-happy) using the sample mean as the breaking point. Discriminant analysis was used to examine 20 wellbeing predictors. Results produced highly acceptable measurements and statistics. It identified a total of 12 significant predictors (life satisfaction, relations, services for vulnerable groups, income, trust in public services, self-rated health, satisfaction with environmental surroundings, feeling of safety and security, social investment, and housing, satisfaction with education and health services, and satisfaction with public health). The model produced a canonical correlation of 0.792 with a highly significant Wilks’ Lambda (0.001); and could accurately predict 92.6% of the happy ones, and 83.6% of the not-so-happy ones. A final Canonical Discriminant Function is produced for easy calculations and group predictions. Limitation and practical implications are discussed.

The Memory Lounge Project: Combatting Loneliness in Rural Queensland Through Intergenerational Connections and the Sharing of Memories

This presentation will provide an overview of The Memory Lounge Project, an interdisciplinary initiative involving a team of researchers at Griffith University (Australia) working in partnership with the Queensland State Archives and the rural community of Kilkivan in Queensland Australia. As a fieldwork component of a medical humanities course on the “Challenges of Aging”, the Memory Lounge Project provides second year medical students with an opportunity to apply knowledge acquired in class about aging, directly observe the issues studied in class and actively address the specific challenges of loneliness and isolation experienced by many older persons living in rural communities that have been intensified by COVID over the past two years. The project simultaneously provides older persons living in rural settings an opportunity to form new and meaningful connections with one another by allowing them to share anecdotes and common memories that are prompted by archival images while also actively facilitating intergenerational connections through discussion and the sharing of life experiences across the different age groups involved. In our discussion of the project, we will focus on how the Memory Lounge Project came about, how it works and the impact it has had so far by addressing feedback collected from participating students and older adults who have been involved in Memory Lounge sessions over the past two years.

Risk and Protective Factors of Healthy Sexuality in Aging

Objectives: Examine the relationships between physical health and personal resilience, and healthy sexuality in older adults, and the mediating role of ageism in the relationship. Healthy sexuality, encompassing sexual partnership satisfaction, execution of sexual behaviors, successful sexual functioning, few negative changes, and few sexual health concerns (Lindau et al., 2003; Lee et al., 2015), is an important part of life in old age. Deteriorating physical health and low personal resilience may be related with higher internalized ageism, which may then be related with lower sexual health. Method: 500 Israeli older Jewish adults participated, half men, aged 60 to 88 years, mostly married and secular. Instruments: Number of diseases (SHARE, Börsch-Supan, 2020), Connor-Davidson Resilience Scale (CD-RISC10, Campbell-Sills & Stein, 2007), Self perceptions of Aging (Gum & Ayalon, 2018), The Sexual Relationships and Activities questionnaire (SRA-Q, Lee et al., 2015). Data analysis: Multiple linear and logistic regressions, path analysis for the mediating role of internalized ageism. Results: Males were more sexually active than females, and reported better functioning. They reported more sexual health concerns than females. Females reported more negative changes in sexual behavior in the past year. Higher resilience was positively related with aspects of sexual health. Suffering from more diseases and higher internalized ageism were negatively related with aspects of sexual health. Internalized ageism mediated the relationship between resilience and number of diseases, and sexual health.
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Ageing in a Multicultural Society: A Qualitative Study of Quality of Life Among the South Asian Older Adults in Hong Kong
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Because the population of Hong Kong is aging, new social and public policies must be developed to ensure sustainable healthcare and social welfare services for these older individuals. In response to the continuous growth of its elderly population, the Hong Kong government has directed resources to build an age-friendly community in the hope of improving the quality of life among older adults. While there has been growing interest in promoting "active aging" in Hong Kong, the existing policy framework is not fully suited to address the particular conditions of ethnic minority older adults. South Asians (Indian, Pakistani, and Nepalese) comprise a dominant minority population in Hong Kong, and they too face the challenge of aging among the members of their community. These elderly individuals experience a variety of obstacles to optimizing the opportunities that are crucial to their quality of life. Drawing from individual in-depth interviews with South Asian older adults in Hong Kong, this qualitative research will explore their subjective perspectives on their life conditions in four domains: physical and functional well-being, psychological well-being, social well-being, and economic well-being. It will also investigate how their family obligations, ethnic communities, and return migration aspirations, if any, may produce life satisfaction and expectations that are different from those of ethnic Chinese older adults, and whether they exercise different choices in old age. By focusing on the old age experiences among South Asian ethnic minorities, this research will have implications for active aging policy development and implementation in this multicultural, age-friendly city.

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Being Taken Care by Foreign Caregivers: Perspectives From Elderly Stroke Survivors in Taiwan
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Background and Objectives: The changing social and economic structures of an aging society have increased the demand for foreign caregivers (paid migrant workers who provide in-home help to aging adults) among families in many developed countries including Taiwan. However, the values, beliefs, and experiences of foreign caregivers are not completely understood. This study explored the lived experiences of Indonesian foreign caregivers, the largest migrant working population in Taiwan, who reside with and provide support to older adults with stroke and their families. Research Design and Methods: By adopting a phenomenological approach, we conducted in-depth interviews with 22 Indonesian caregivers (mean age: 36 years) who were caring for community-dwelling older stroke survivors (aged ≥65 years) in Taiwan. Interviews were transcribed verbatim and interpreted by the research team by performing thematic analysis. Methodological rigor was achieved through member checking, triangulation, and audit trials. Results: Six themes were constructed from the interviews: (1) foreign caregiver’s background, (2) foreign caregiver’s perception of the health and functional status of stroke survivors, (3) foreign caregiver’s values and preferences, (4) consequences of caregiving, (5) skills/abilities/knowledge of foreign caregivers to provide the required care to stroke survivors, and (6) potential resources that foreign caregivers could choose to use. Discussion and Implications: This study sheds light on foreign caregivers’ lived experiences of providing care to stroke survivors. The results of this study can be used to inform the development of policies and practices to more effectively support foreign caregivers in caring for the aging population.

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NCDs Risk Factors Among Nepalese Elders: How Prepared We Are?
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Global NCDs burden is high and increased from 68% in 2012 to 71% of the global death in 2016. Almost three-quarters of all NCDs deaths and the majority (82%) of premature deaths occur in low- and middle-income countries. Estimated deaths attributed to NCDs in Nepal are in increasing from 60% in 2014 to 66% in 2016. Life expectancy at birth has increased from 66.6 years in 2011 to 71 years in 2019 with 8.56% of the elder population. Prevalence of common NCDs among elders is higher compared to the adults. The study is based on the qualitative methods; policy review, in-depth interview (IDI) and focus group discussion (FGD) with the objective to assess the preparedness and response of health sector against the NCDs-risk factors among Nepalese elders. The study was performed during August-December, 2020 in Nepal. Out of 182 policy documents screened, 28 policy documents were reviewed. Eight FGDs were organized with different cadres of health workers. Twelve IDIs were conducted with program managers. The analysis was based on WHO-six building blocks of health system. Existing health services are focused more towards the curative services concentrated on tertiary hospitals. Services are not designed targeting the risk factors. Primary health workers are less trained on NCDs. Retention of clinicians and specialists is always questionable. Almost one third of the out-of-pocket expenditure in health care is due to NCDs. More than half of health care spending is dedicated to NCDs. Health services targeting the needs of old aged people are negligible.
Online learning has become one of the most prominent global issues related to COVID-19, and many students who have never experienced an online learning program have been forced to adapt to a new system. The students perceive the program as stressful for a number of reasons, including limited networking facilities and social interactions. Some students described the stress with complaints of physical symptoms. One hundred seventy-seven (177) students participated in this research. 32 male students and 145 female students (age 17-23 years) responded to PSS (Perceived Stress Scale by Cohen et al, 1983), and results indicate that mostly freshmen (age 17-18) experienced moderate levels of stress, followed by sophomores (age 19-20). Moderate levels of stress were experienced by 69% of female and 71% of male students, and high levels of stress were experienced by 26% of female and 21% of male students. Most students did not report any medical problems; however, the most medical complaints related to their perceived stress were digestive problems (6.78% reported moderate perceived stress levels, and 3.38% reported high perceived stress levels). Qualitative data based on individual interviews have been included for further consideration.

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to the need for major internal and external resources to promote a sense of well-being among teachers under conditions of stress. Additionally, the teachers reported that religious faith helped them cope with the crisis. Findings point to the complex and dynamic nature of their well-being over time. The variance was explained by study variables. Social support and resilience were significant predictors. The findings of the qualitative study showed that as teachers received more support, their emotional well-being increased. Multivariate regression analysis revealed that 20% of emotional well-being variance was explained by study variables. Social support and resilience were significant predictors. The findings of the qualitative study shed light on the emotional well-being of these teachers, pointing to the complex and dynamic nature of their well-being over time. The coronavirus outbreak in Israel forced teachers to confront new and immediate challenges. Yet, little attention has been devoted to the impact of these challenges on the emotional well-being of Arab teachers. This study sought to examine how resilience (internal resources) and support (external resources) were related to the well-being of Arab teachers during the third lockdown in Israel. We used a mixed design: a cross-sectional survey of 299 teachers and in-depth interviews with 24 teachers during. The results showed that as teachers received more support, their emotional well-being increased. Multivariate regression analysis revealed that 20% of emotional well-being variance was explained by study variables. Social support and resilience were significant predictors. The findings of the qualitative study shed light on the emotional well-being of these teachers, pointing to the complex and dynamic nature of their well-being over time. Alongside their sense of overload and lowered emotional well-being, most teachers reported that with time they adjusted to the new. The work-home conflict is particularly significant in Arab society. During the lockdowns, families spent most of their time together and it may have placed an even greater burden on the teachers. The teachers were accustomed to rely on their families, but were unable to do so due to the social distancing restrictions. Additionally, the teachers reported that religious faith helped them cope with the crisis. Findings point to the need for major internal and external resources to promote a sense of well-being among teachers under conditions of stress.
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Experiences of criticism and sexism are common in interpersonal interactions which usually lead to feelings of upset. However, little is known about how perceptions of criticism and experiences of sexism shape one's construal and emotional response towards criticism from various interpersonal sources. The present study aims to investigate how perceived criticism, perceived sexism and the source of criticism (mother, father, workplace supervisor, romantic partner) influence individuals' levels of upset in response to receiving sexist-related versus non-sexist criticism. Participants (N = 178) completed Perceived Criticism Measure ratings for the four target relationships and female participants (N = 95) also completed the Schedule of Sexist Events scale which measures their experiences of sexism. Participants read experimental vignettes describing scenarios of sexist-related and non-sexist criticism from different sources and rated their feelings of upset. A significant three-way interaction between perceived criticism, perceived sexism and relationship type was found. For supervisors but not the other relationship types, individuals with higher perceived sexism show lower levels of upset as PC ratings increase whereas individuals with lower perceived sexism show higher levels of upset towards sexist-related criticism (t = -2.05, p = 0.04). These findings contribute towards understanding how levels of perceived criticism and perceived sexism influence one's sensitivity and affective reactions to sexist-related criticism across interpersonal sources. Future research can include a cultural perspective by examining the influence of face and power distance on the perceptions and affective experiences of criticism and sexism.

The intention to seek help from psychologists in Japan is low (Fukui & Hori, 2021a), despite the increasing recognition of the social need for psychologists’ services. Moreover, psychologists’ image is less directly related to the intention to seek help from them (Fukui, 2021). This study examined the moderating effects of previous knowledge about psychologists and problem severity in the effect of psychologists’ image on the intention to seek help from psychologists. Gender was also added as an independent variable because we found significant interaction between gender and subject of the consultation (Fukui & Hori, 2021a). We conducted a questionnaire survey with university students (N = 228). The data partly overlapped with Fukui (2021) and Fukui & Hori (2021a, b, c). We conducted multiple regression analyses with gender, previous knowledge about psychologists, psychologists’ image, problem severity, and the first- and second-order interactions among them as independent variables, and the intention to seek help from psychologists for five problems as the dependent variables. The results indicated that gender, previous knowledge about psychologists, and problem severity (excepts for problems of future career) had significant main effects on the intention to seek help from psychologists about each problem. Moreover, the first-order interaction between gender and problem severity for problems of family relationship and personality and between gender and psychologists’ image for problems of interpersonal relationships were significant. The simple slope tests indicated that the positive effect of problem severity was stronger in men, and the positive effect of psychologists’ image was significant only in men. These results indicated that psychologists’ positive image is related to the increased intention to seek help from them in only men. We, therefore, may need to apply different strategy to encourage the intention to seek help from psychologists between men and women.
A Domain Specific Hearing-in-Noise Performance is Associated With Absolute Pitch Proficiency

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Recent evidence suggests that musicians may confer an advantage over non-musicians at perceiving speech under noisy backgrounds. Previous research considers musicians as a homogeneous group, thus it remains unclear which aspect of musicianship contributes to musician enhancement. Here we investigate whether the degrees of absolute pitch proficiency can account for the musician advantage in hearing-in-noise (HIN) performance. A cohort of fifteen non-musicians and forty-five trained musicians divided into high, medium and low absolute-pitch proficiency groups were tested in HIN performance. The data overlapped with Nakatani & Fukui (2021). We used the factor scores of each subfactor because the LAPS-J does not have a simple factor structure (Nakatani & Fukui, 2021). The results of an ANOVA indicated that the main effect of gender and the interactions between the type of pet and the type of subfactor, and between gender and the type of subfactor were significant. Simple main effect tests revealed that the substituting for human relationships factor score was higher in owners of dogs than cats; women were more attached to their pets than men in all factor scores, excluding substituting for human factor score, and the facilitating communication factor score was higher than substituting for human relationships factor score in women; vice versa in men. These findings partially confirmed the criterion-related validity of the LAPS-J.
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**Internet Addiction Severity Change in Lack-down Period in a Junior High School in Taiwan**  
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Background: Internet became the essential need of life, when most of our life connected to the internet. However, internet addiction is the following problem. It is also a serious problem in teenagers around the world. Due to covid 19 pandemic, lock-down was the major policy in many countries. School teachings are transforming to teaching online. How much the impact of lock-down and online teaching on internet addiction is unknown. Our aims of the study are to investigate the severity change of internet addiction in the junior high school in central Taiwan after lock-down and online teaching one month. Method: This study is a cohort survey study. We used internet user behavior screening scale and internet addiction severity scale modified from internet addiction scale of Kimberly for internet addiction assessment. We collected the addiction scale last year without lock-down and online teaching in the first-grade students in a junior high school in central Taiwan. We collected the addiction scale this year under lock-down and online teaching for one month in this cohort. We compared the severity change of internet addiction in the cohort. Result: Totally, 667 students were recruited in the study, including 361 male and 306 female students. The average score of internet user behavior screening scale were 8.64±2.34 and 8.16±2.33 and the average score of internet addiction severity scale modified from internet addiction scale of Kimberly were 36.89±11.43 and 35.43±10.56 before and after lock-down and online teaching. Conclusion: There are reduction trends of internet addiction severity after lock-down and online teaching in our study.

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**The Impact of Mindfulness Traits of Elementary School Students on Resilience in Covid-19 Era**  
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In an era of severe epidemic, the trait’s of mindfulness is vital to the performance of students’ resilience. The general social depression of students under the epidemic can enhance the inherent protective factors of their resilience through the display of mindfulness characteristics, which in turn affects their daily life, learning performance and the development of interpersonal relationships. Therefore, this study conducted a questionnaire survey of Mindful Awareness Attention Scale and the Brief Resilience Scale for 96 students aged 10-12 years old in Taiwan. At the same time, they used individual online and face-to-face interviews to understand their actual performance. The questionnaire analysis found the correlation between mindfulness and resilience. Up to p=0.00; r=0.494; It is learned from students’ self-reports that anxiety during the outbreak can be adjusted by the performance of the trait’s of mindfulness, so that learning and life can be maintained at a stable level. The results of the study found that:

1. Students’ mindfulness traits are positively correlated with resilience;
2. Students can show positive and positive performance in online learning or in practice;
3. Students with higher trait’s of mindfulness. Under the changing lifestyle of the epidemic, they can be highly adaptable, and be able to accept and abide by the relevant standards of epidemic prevention, so that the physical and mental condition and academic performance can be balanced.

The Researchers put forward relevant suggestions based on the conclusions of the research, and put forward practical results for future researchers as reference.

**Qualitative/Quantitative Research in any other area of Psychology**

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**Psychometric Properties and Measurement Invariance of a Short Form of the Unified Multidimensional Calling Scale (UMCS)**  
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This paper reports on the development of a 7-item short form of the Unified Multidimensional Calling Scale (UMCS), a multi-dimensional measure of career calling that integrates classical and modern conceptualisations. An Italian sample (N = 1246) was used to develop and validate a short form (UMCS–7) using exploratory factor analysis and confirmatory factor analysis. An English-speaking sample (N = 165) was used to estimate measurement invariance across both languages. We established the invariance of all the factor loadings, of all but two of the intercepts, and of all the error variances. The UMCS–7 demonstrated a near-perfect correlation with the UMCS (r = .97), adequate internal consistency (α IT = .86; α EN = .87) and predictive validity on job satisfaction, life satisfaction and turnover intentions. The UMCS–7 represents a psychometrically sound instrument that can be used as a valid alternative to other unidimensional measures of calling.
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A Case Study of Caregivers’ Social Skills Use in Practice: Interviews and an Observation about Interactions with Care Recipients
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This research is a qualitative psychological study of caregivers. To gain knowledge about social skills caregivers use to form good interpersonal relationships with care recipients in nursing homes, we conducted survey (A); a preliminary interview, and survey (B); an observation and post-interview survey at a facility for disabled people. The informant had seven years of experience as a caregiver. First, we interviewed the informant about forming relationships with care recipients, then extracted and classified his social skills using the KJ method. The obtained 65 social skills were classified into five categories: “communication and information transfer”, “forming and maintaining relationships”, “manner and attitude”, “trouble dealing and prevention”, and “general tasks”. In the second phase, the observation and post-interview records were combined. Again, the KJ method extracted and classified social skills and situations. The 209 social skills obtained were classified into five categories as in the preliminary interview survey. Skills of “forming and maintaining relationships” were in the majority throughout the surveys. In contrast, skills classified as “general tasks”, were the least used in the first survey and were second most used in the post-interview phase. In this study, we learned how to apply social skills to form good interpersonal relationships. Moreover, the observational study suggested the importance of working with the people and environment around the caregiver and the direct productive relationship. This information could not be captured by the interview survey alone.

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Will the Bow-pulling Model Be Repeated? – Analysis of Cases of Reverse Culture Shock During Two Overseas Stays
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The bow-pulling model assumes selective adaptation of culture, and envisions an opposing psychological reaction that causes reverse culture shock (RCS) after returning to the home country, provided the sojourner adapted well to the culture of the destination. In this study, two Japanese female university students who had lived twice in foreign countries for studying abroad or completing internships were interviewed. Case studies were conducted on whether the pattern of RCS corresponds to the bow-pulling model (Akashi et al., 2005), and whether the pattern is repeated as a stable property. This was confirmed when some sort of discontinuity in the cultural experience or in their life occurred, and they could not successfully cope with it, resulting in a psychological burden. Both of them corresponded to the bow pulling model at the first reentry, but differences were recognized in the second instance. Ms. P showed RCS and was interpreted as an alienation model that did not feel at peace in either culture, and Ms. Q showed less RCS and was interpreted as a bird’s-eye-view model that objectively evaluated both cultures. This suggests that RCS occurs in the interaction between internal factors, such as dissonance among cultural values, and external factors, including lifestyle preferences and evaluations toward their own environment; a negative view toward the native culture strengthened the distress. Hypothesis-generating research using the qualitative psychology method, which interprets the process of RCS with multiple factors, has just begun, and verifications made through the examination of more cases is desirable.

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The Effectiveness of Push Notifications and Rewards on App-based Program for Promoting Walking Among College Students
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Behavioral strategies have been incorporated into mobile application programs to promote health behavior, yet their effectiveness has not been well examined. This study investigates whether push notifications and rewards applied in a mobile application program could increase users’ step counts and standing behaviors, and whether increases in step counts differ upon baseline step counts. A total of 114 college students were randomly assigned into four conditions depending on existence of push notifications and rewards: 2(push notification & no push notification) x 2(rewards & no rewards). After collecting their step counts data for 7 days, participants were grouped into four based on step counts: 0~1,999, 2,000~3,999, 4,000~5,999, 6,000~8,000. Both step counts and standing behaviors were measured for 21 days. The results showed no significant interaction effects between push notifications and rewards, but the main effect of rewards was found. In addition, step counts of a group that walks 2,000~3,999 were increased the most after 21 days of training. These results suggest that the use of rewards is important in mobile programs for promoting walking. Also, in terms of target groups, mobile programs could be more effective for those who walk between 2,000~3,999 steps in the baseline. Implications and suggestions were discussed.
Rehabilitation facilities for children in conflict with the law are usually administered by government and non-government agencies. In the Philippines, a private school has pioneered the establishment of a free transformational youth facility under its mission and development program. This study aimed to evaluate their formation program using the objectives-based approach. Survey respondents consisted of 33 program graduates and 18 implementers who evaluated the status of achievement, levels of challenge and sustainability of the program’s objectives, projects and activities. Frequencies, means and standard deviations were utilized for descriptive data, while t-test for independent samples was used for inferential data analysis. In-depth and key informant interviews were conducted and analyzed through Creswell’s data analysis procedures. Frequencies were used to rank the qualitative responses. Results showed that its over-all status of achievement is excellent among graduates (M=4.52, SD= .46) and implementers (M=4.53, SD=.39) and highly sustainable among graduates (M=4.28, SD=60) and implementers (M=4.27, SD=69). However, its over-all level of challenge revealed that it is somewhat challenging among graduates (M=1.88, SD=.93) and challenging among implementers (M=3.07, SD=1.31). Significant differences were found in the level of challenge between the implementers and graduates, t(26.474)=3.416, p=0.002. Identified best practices include: value formation and discipline, spiritual formation and religious activities, education, and psychological and counseling support. Conversely, sports and recreation, partnership and linkages, livelihood skills training and rule implementation are areas that need improvement. Evaluation of the school-administered youth facility’s formation program generally yielded positive results providing empirical support to its program accomplishments.

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Epistemological Perspectives on the Concept of Cultural Humility in Psychology
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The present paper will focus on cultural humility, by highlighting this concept’s theoretical and practical significance in advancing cross-cultural understanding in psychology. In the recent psychological literature, cultural humility has been described as a core value, consisting in the psychologist’s engagement to an interpersonal stance that is other-oriented and self-reflective in relation to cultural identities and differences (American Psychological Association, Multicultural Guidelines, 2017). Cultural humility is intrinsically linked to the question of intersectionality, which requires the psychologist’s openness to the multiple factors and identities that interconnect in creating meaning and self-definition. Given the significance of cultural humility in eliminating the power imbalances and cultural biases that often arise within the field of psychology, the present paper will focus on specific epistemic and methodological parameters that serve the elucidation of this concept. At the theoretical level, the present paper will analyze the issues of interdisciplinarity, contextuality, and interpretative models of knowledge as important epistemological angles linked with the development of cultural reflexivity in psychology. At the methodological level, the paper will review a corpus of cutting-edge scientific guidelines and standards linked with the enhancement of cultural humility in different areas of psychological practice (research, counseling, and academic teaching). This review will include a wide spectrum of practices for maximizing the psychologists’ cultural openness that ranges from sampling issues to ethical considerations of privilege and power in conducting psychological work with marginalized and deprived communities.

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Development of Realistic Optimism Scale
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This research aims to develop a scale to measure realistic optimism and examine its validity and reliability. First, the researcher corrected items of the conventional scale proposed by Magari (2013) and added a number of items to create a realistic optimism scale of 16 items (original scale). Using the original scale, a preliminary survey was conducted on 260 university students (age range: 18-24). As a result of exploratory factor analysis, 3 factors consisting of 13 items were extracted (provisional scale). Next, the researcher conducted a second survey on 841 university students (age range: 18-24) using the provisional scale. 3 factors (“Future Orientation,” “Flexibility,” and “Will and Courage”) consisting of 12 items were extracted by factor analysis (Main scale). Cronbach α coefficient was calculated to examine the internal consistency of this scale (α = .60~.86). Convergent validity was examined by calculating the Pearson correlation coefficient between the factors of realistic optimism scale and the factors of resilience scale (“Competence,” “Positive Evaluation,” and “Social Support”). As a result, a significant positive correlation was observed between the two, confirming convergent validity (r .28** .67**). Furthermore, the result of the test-retest method (n = 210) showed that all the factors and items are significantly correlated (r .63 .80). These results confirm the validity and reliability of the realistic optimism scale. The present study has a certain significance in that it refers to a way of life of optimism rooted in real life and human strength.
Paternal childcare is a predominantly human behaviour rarely observed in other mammals. However, the active involvement in paternal childcare only increased during the last century due to the growing number of women joining the workforce after childbirth. Despite the growing social acceptance of a caregiving father, it is unknown whether becoming a father might shape one's self-concept, particularly in relation to family members, which subsequently influences the way in which they perceive and process information related to themselves and family members in order to meet the needs of caregiving. The current study investigated this issue using a perceptual matching task. Fathers and controls first learned shape-person pairings (e.g., triangle-baby) and then immediately performed a shape-label matching task in which they judged whether shape-label pairings were matched as initially learned. A robust self-bias effect is often observed in the matching task, characterized by faster reaction times and higher accuracy in response to self-related information. Results in the father group showed a lack of self-bias in relation to their baby and their mother, but self-bias was maintained compared to friends and strangers. Moreover, controls demonstrated a robust self-bias over any others (both family and non-family members). The relationship between the changes in self-bias in the father group and relevant real-life behaviour was explored. The data suggested that self-related information no longer received prioritized processing in relation to family members after becoming a father. These findings contribute to current understandings of fatherhood and its impact on the prioritization of perceptual information processing.

The Effect of Romantic Relationship on the Perceived Development of Anxiety Amongst High School Students
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Romantic relationships are a major developmental milestone among adolescents, but when young and unprepared high schoolers explore them, it can be a source of great anxiety resulting in emotional upheavals. This study aimed to ascertain the perceived anxiety level of high school students involved in a romantic relationship according to gender, age, and length of relationship. Furthermore, it aimed to assess if there is a significant difference in the respondents' responses to the perceived level of anxiety. The importance of this research was to evaluate the effect of romantic relationship on the development of anxiety amongst science high students to come up with programs that would help mitigate the impact of such relationship on the emotional wellbeing of its students as they can go on struggling unnoticed by administrators, teachers, and parents. A quantitative research design was utilized to unravel the effect of romantic relationships and the respondents’ level of anxiety. Significant findings of the study revealed that in terms of gender, male respondents have severe anxiety while female respondents have moderate anxiety. In terms of age and length of relationship, the level of anxiety of both males and females is severe anxiety. The manifestations may be presented as worry, restlessness, and fear. Moreover, the participants' responses to the perceived level of anxiety varied among different age and length of relationship categories. Furthermore, it aimed to assess if there is a significant difference in the perceived level of anxiety among different age and length of relationship categories. The study is the first to demonstrate that negative and specific examples of information about the COVID-19 vaccine tended to prevail on social media in Japan.
Music therapy has become more common globally as nonpharmacological treatment options for memory loss, pain management, reduction of behavioral and psychological symptoms, and increased quality of life. The purpose of this systematic review is to analyze music interventions for older adults across the globe to better understand emerging best practices. A review of all studies registered at clinicaltrials.gov and in the WHO Registry Network containing the key words "music" or "music therapy" were included, regardless of intervention type. Of the 850 studies generated, 603 met the eligibility criteria for including older adults. The registries included 73 studies (12%) enrolling only older adults and 530 (88%) enrolling older adults along with other age groups. Thirty-seven percent of clinical trials registered in clinical trials databases are being conducted in Asia. Music interventions for specific medical conditions (n= 398, 66%) or medical procedures (n=170, 28%) were the primary foci in studies. Best practices in music interventions and therapy are being developed world-wide for the multitude of health challenges faced by older adults and demonstrate the diversity of music interventions in both medical and community settings. Information from this review can be used to improve the implementation of music therapy programs. The data from these music interventions and therapies for older adults in clinical trial registries show both the degree of similarity and potential use of music in a variety of clinical settings.

Study of Youth Navigation Strategies: Building Routes on the Megapolis Virtual Map
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The concept of "navigation strategy" is one of the central constructs in modern cognitive psychology. This approach is considered by experts as a process of human orientation in the environment based on existing ideas about space, individual experience, and external landmarks, including virtual services. To identify the features of building routes in the environment of a large metropolis by youth, a laboratory experiment was organized and conducted using the Tobii Pro Spectrum eye tracker. The study involved 30 people aged from 19 to 26, where 40% were men and 60% - women, with different experience of real urban environment interacting. An electronic map of a large Russian metropolis (Yekaterinburg) was shown to the respondents. They were asked to offer a walking path - from the starting point of the route to the end point (along 5 pre-designed routes). An analysis of the youth navigation strategies in an urban environment when interacting with an electronic map showed the following results: the walking routes built on a city electronic map are not optimized in length but simplified. The gender and experience of living in a metropolis environment are not of decisive importance for choosing the trajectory between the start and end points of the route, as well as for its length and optimization when laying the route on the city electronic map. In addition, distinctive trends were identified in the youth navigation strategies when interacting with the electronic map of the city: the discreteness of iconic objects of the urban environment.

Communication Style and Doctor’s Perceived Self-efficacy in Patient Interaction: A Study of a Sample of Specialists and General Practitioners
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The way doctors communicate with patients is a key element that can increase patient satisfaction and have a significant impact on adherence to treatment. The patient-centred communication style has often been presented as the best mode characterised by high levels of sharing and overt expression of support for the patient. However, it is likely that some individual characteristics of the clinician implicitly or explicitly influence the communication style adopted, so that in some cases the attitude is more oriented towards caring and in other cases towards patient dominance. The present study aims to investigate the relationship between the implicit communication style adopted by the doctor and the level of self-efficacy perceived in the management of the therapeutic relationship. The moderating role played by the doctor’s regulatory and decision-making orientation is highlighted. The research sample consisted of 120 physicians. A comparison was made between a group of general practitioners and a second group of specialist doctors. The Perceived Self-efficacy in Medical Communication Scale (APCM) (Capone, Petrillo, 2010), the Communication Styles Inventory (CSI) (De Vries et al., 2013), the Regulatory Modes Scale (MRS)(Kruglanski et al., 2000) and the Cognitive Closure Need Scale (BCC) (Pierro et. al., 1995) were administered to all subjects. The analysis of variance of the scores revealed significant differences between the two groups of physicians with respect to both communication styles and regulatory and decision-making orientation. These differences have specific associations with levels of perceived self-efficacy. The gender variable also appears to play a role in the relationships identified.
Food and Organizations: The Relationship of Organizational Support and Attitude Towards Office Gastrodiplomacy Among Employees of a Public Organization
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Office gastrodiplomacy refers to how food shapes and influences our social relations within organizations, usually in positive ways. Although already a pervasive practice, it is only recently that this concept has received wide attention from industry practitioners and researchers in the behavioral sciences. This emerging topic traces its origins to socio-anthropological studies applied to modern work environments like office settings. To expound scholarship in this field, particularly in the local parlance, this study aims to present novel findings on how organizational support, in aspects involving staff development, resources, and emotional support, affects attitude towards office gastrodiplomacy. A total of 327 respondents participated in a one-shot survey administered from September to December 2019 at the 25 offices of a public organization in the Philippines. Employing a descriptive-relational design, descriptive findings revealed that employees indicated being ‘fairly supported’ by their offices, while a higher proportion of respondents stated that they generally have a ‘favorable attitude’ towards office gastrodiplomacy. Relational statistics, however, generated a ‘not significant relationship’ between the two variables as a whole and across the three components. The researchers argue that it is likely that such a finding is a result of how the respondents only received organizational support in ‘fair’ terms. As such, results may somewhat differ if a ‘high’ favorable attitude to office gastrodiplomacy is complemented with ‘high’ organizational support. It is then proposed that a similar design may be replicated among employees in private organizations who may offer a different perspective, especially as regards aspects of organizational support.

The Study of Inter-group Relations Between Expatriates and Host Country Nationals (HCNs) in Taiwanese Multinational Firms
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Cultural differences and group conflicts inevitably take place in the international context. How to diminish unnecessary group antagonism is a difficult challenge for managers. This study proposed that stability of status and permeability of group boundaries would influence intergroup relations (in-group and out-group identification), organizational identification, and social status change individual mobility strategy from the perspective of social identity theory. The structured questionnaires collected data from full-time local employees in Taiwanese multinational firms. A total of 392 valid samples were collected, of which 263 were from Vietnam, 75 from Thailand, 39 from the Philippines, and 15 from Myanmar. The results showed that the permeability of group boundaries of HCNs was positively related to in-group identification, out-group identification, and organizational identification. Although permeability of group boundaries cannot directly affect HCNs’ individual mobility strategies, it can be achieved indirectly through improving organizational identification. Furthermore, the permeability of group boundaries, in-group identification, and organizational identification had a positive loop. It indicates that it is possible to further achieve organizational identification and personal mobility strategies by consolidating their ethnic consciousness. In addition, status stability was positively related to in-group identification, out-group identification, and individual mobility strategy. The results showed that HCNs recognized and accepted the stability of status and permeability, which united ethnic consciousness to improve organizational identification and promote the adoption of individual mobility strategies. It implies that Taiwanese companies have deliberately downplayed Taiwan’s group consciousness and instead emphasized localization to consolidate organizational identification.
Japanese Student’s Personal Requirements for Interaction in English With Foreign Students, Examined by Free Description
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This research’s goal is to determine what factors (such as motivation, interest, language ability or context) lead Japanese university students to interact in English with foreign university students. The study targeted 128 Japanese undergraduate university students, executing a survey as research method to gather data about their preferences, experiences, and expectations towards interaction with international students in English. Further, specific questions aimed to collect information about the ideal non-classroom interaction situation. The collected data, mainly categorized by Content Analysis method (内容分析), synthesizing the requirements in five main categories: Individuality (1-on-1 interaction), External Physical approach, Motivation, and interest (to interact), ‘Adequate’ place and time and ‘Adequate’ Language Ability. Interpretation of the data allowed us to say that the students’ requirements and beliefs sometimes work as limitations or barriers for interaction. It was also apparent that the respondents tend to wait external initiative to engage in an interaction and might wait for a particular context or situation until they participate in one. Another factor is the self-perception of their language ability, fearing possible communication issue or improper use of the language. Sometimes such judgment does not correspond with the actual language competence of the students. Emotional factors like motivation, interest, self-perception, and confidence, appear to affect their willingness to communicate, even if their language ability is adequate. In addition, the findings not only allowed us to pinpoint these preferences, but also let us provide some facts and suggestions for a smoother interaction in English.

Can Virtual Tours be Really Experienced? Meaningful Experience and Perceived Authenticity in Online Tours
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COVID-19 crises have transformed our society, and a new normal standard has been required in every aspect, including the tourism industry. To accommodate the social distancing measures and border controls put in place by government, fundamentally different approaches to providing tourism products and services were sought. Virtual tourism has rapidly attracted attention in this challenging time. Researchers have argued the capability and potential of virtual tourism as a marketing tool; however, scant literature on authentic experiences in virtual tourism is currently available. This research focused on the perception of online tour participants and examined the potential of virtual tourism in forming meaningful and authentic experiences. Semi-structured qualitative interviews were conducted with 19 online tour participants in August and October 2021. Thematic analyses were adopted. The findings illustrated both positive and negative outcomes perceived by the online tour participants. The participants did not always seek authenticity in online tours but perceived the tours as substitute of real tour, pre-visit experience, new travel genre, and alternative entertainment. They did not perceive the online tours as completely unrealistic but regarded physical and sensorial involvements in the tour as an important component of experiencing authenticity. Tour guides appeared to have played an invaluable role in engaging participants and co-creating meaningful experiences. Virtual tourism offers the potential to create alternative experiences that influence accessibility, education, entertainment, and marketing. Transforming tourism experiences expands tourism markets, and transformed tourists become more diverse and inclusive.

A Review and Prospect of CPT Research
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In view of the wide adoption and various research extensions of Cumulative Prospect Theory (CPT), this paper represents an attempt to perform a systematic review of articles that have employed CPT so as to explore its research trajectories and trends over time. A literature retrieval from Web of Science (WOS) yields a corpus of 496 articles in relation to CPT spanning over 2001–2020. The topic modeling method featuring Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) is performed to produce topic trends and prospects concerning the corpus. For this purpose, we make use of the RStudio implementation of relevant packages for data preprocessing, modeling and visualization. The results are mainly categorized by dividing the articles into types of CPT exploration and parameter elicitation, the interplay and comparison between CPT and other theories and methods, and domain-specific applications by utilizing CPT to expound decision behavior. The conclusion drawn from the findings suggests that the potential active and new lines of CPT research in the future could be aimed more at route choice in transportation networks as well as decision making on the trade-offs associated with issues of energy and environment.
Background. Unhealthy nutrition has long been a concern of public health as a risk factor for chronic diseases. The COVID-19 pandemic also highlighted the importance of respiratory infection prevention behaviors. Despite the widespread vaccinations, the recommended measures of personal hygiene continue to be an important pandemic response. This study aimed to explore the eating patterns and personal hygiene during the pandemic, to determine their relationship and their social capital predictors.

Methods. The study included 1214 participants, 61% were women. The mean age was 23 years. Eating habits were measured by the MEDAS scale. COVID-19-related personal hygiene was performed following the iCARE study by four items (washing hands, hands disinfection, wearing a mask, covering coughs and sneezes). Social capital was identified in terms of family support, social participation in recreational activities, social trust, coherence, collaboration. Results revealed that 50.1% of young adults had a poor diet. The prevalence of washing hands often was 67%, using hands disinfection – 50%, mask-wearing recommendations were followed by 64% of young adults and covering coughs and sneezes by 55% of young adults. Those who comply with healthy eating are also more adherent to personal hygiene. Health favorable diet and personal hygiene both were predicted by higher family support and participation in recreational activities. Social trust and coherence were not related to either of them, social collaboration was a predictor only for diet behavior. Conclusion. Educating people on how to provide support for each other and promoting health-related recreational activities would benefit infection and chronic disease prevention.

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Body Image During Pregnancy in the Era of COVID-19: The Role of Heterogeneous Patterns of Perceived Social Support
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Objectives. The aim of this study was to explore the profiles of pregnant women on perceived social support with regard to sociodemographic variables, COVID-19-related distress issues, and body image. We compared the aforementioned relationships within the study variables between pregnant women and a control group of non-pregnant women. Method. The study sample comprised 345 women, 157 pregnant women, and 188 women in the control group. Participants filled out paper-and-pencil or online psychometric questionnaires to assess the variables analyzed in our research. Results. Latent profile analysis revealed six profiles of pregnant women based on perceived social support, which varied in terms of body image evaluation. The high-support profile differed from the profiles with the lowest scores in all support domains. Significant differences in body image between the profiles of pregnant women and the control group were noted. Conclusions. Understanding the mechanisms through which women can attain more body satisfaction during pregnancy is an important research topic that can inspire planning for more effective psychological help, especially in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and related psychological distress.

Online Mindfulness-based Logotherapy Program: Targeting Depressive Symptoms of Cyberbullied Adolescents During the Covid-19 Pandemic
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The outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic has led to the intensive use of the internet for educational and recreational purposes, leading adolescents to be more exposed to cyberbullying. Empirical studies indicate that cyberbullying has become a pervasive problem among adolescents causing negative consequences like depression. Moreover, the global pandemic lockdown and quarantine measures gave rise to the demand for telepsychology and teletherapy to virtually address the psychological needs of netizens. Thus, utilizing Conklin’s program development model, we created and experimentally tested an online intervention program to target the depressive symptoms experienced by cyberbullied adolescents. We integrated logotherapy and mindfulness to develop an eight-modular, Online Mindfulness-based Logotherapy Program (OnlineMLP). After being validated by experts in various disciplines, we experimentally pilot tested the efficacy of the OnlineMLP in a 3-hour session per module in four weeks to a group (N = 10) of cyberbullied adolescents in Tamilnadu, India. The pilot study showed significantly that the OnlineMLP positively affected the participants reducing their depressive symptoms. Furthermore, it confirmed that the online program’s concepts and structure are reliable, feasible, and efficacious for testing a more extensive base of cyberbullied adolescents experiencing depressive symptoms.
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I Can’t Feel It: Link Between Alexithymia and Interpersonal Relations of Selected Filipinos Suffering From Substance Abuse

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Alexithymia, a condition described as the seeming inability to understand emotion, has been reported among substance abusers. There has been a growing interest in how alexithymia impacts interpersonal relationships. Early on, alexithymia according to Nemiah and Sifneos (1970) is concomitant with a specific style of interpersonal relating. Thus, the present study investigated the nature of alexithymia and its relationship to positive and negative interpersonal relations among Filipinos suffering from substance abuse. The Toronto Alexithymia Scale-20 (TAS-20) and the Assessment of Interpersonal Relations (AIR) were used to measure the research variables among 33 adolescents suffering from substance abuse, ages 10–18, purposely selected from three rehabilitation centers. Results revealed no significant relationship between alexithymia and positive interpersonal relations. However, a meaningful negative relationship existed between alexithymia and negative interpersonal relations. This significant inverse relationship implies that individuals with alexithymia are more likely to relate to recurring sets of negative judgments, feelings, and behavioral intentions toward people they regularly interact with in their everyday lives. This result further reinforces previous research that establishes an inverse relationship between alexithymia and interpersonal relationship.

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Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder as a Predictor of Quality of Life Among Late Adolescents in India During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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The rapid progress of the COVID-19 pandemic is known as a period of psychological stress and can negatively affect the women’s menstrual cycle and premenstrual symptoms severity. Studies reporting that stress is significantly related to the premenstrual symptoms severity and quality of life remain questionable among young women. Therefore, we conducted a cross-sectional predictive research study to examine the relationship between premenstrual dysphoric disorder, which is the severe form of premenstrual syndrome, and quality of life among late adolescent college studies during the COVID-19 pandemic living in the Karnataka region of South India. The respondents’ demographic data, Premenstrual Symptom Screening Tool (Steiner et al., 2003), and World Health Organization Quality of Life (WHOQOL-Bref) were used as assessment tools. The purposive sampling method was used for gathering the data, and 400 students participated in the study. The findings showed a strong negative correlation between premenstrual symptoms severity and quality of life, which was statistically significant (r=-.819; p<.001). The current study also highlighted that premenstrual disorder was a strong predictor of poor quality of life (R2=.671; β=.819). Identifying the growing impact of the premenstrual dysphoric disorder on late adolescents’ quality of life, these findings can be a foundation for a psychological intervention program to alleviate the issues as early as possible and to improve the quality of life of this target population.

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The Role of Resilience as a Protective Factor in COVID-19 Lockdown Fatigue

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Introduction: The effect of COVID-19 across the globe has been colossal. Though critical physical symptoms are experienced by patients, the psychological impact of the disease seems to be widespread- pervading all individuals universally. Mental fatigue makes individuals feel overwhelmed, emotionally drained and negatively impacts productivity. But one of the protective factors to this negative effect may be resilience. The aim of the present study is to explore the prevalence of mental fatigue among undergraduate medical students and study the impact of resilience during the lockdown period imposed during the COVID-19 pandemic. Methods: A cross-sectional study involving an online survey was conducted among the undergraduate medical students at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences, National University of Science and Technology, Sultanate of Oman. An adapted version of the Mental Fatigue Scale and the Brief Resilience Scale was used. Data collected was analyzed using SPSS version 25. Results: Around 169 students from various phases of the medical program participated in the study. Results indicated that participants experienced mild levels of mental fatigue. They reported normal levels of resilience. A significant negative correlation was seen between mental fatigue and resilience. Conclusions: Resilience is thus an emotional protective factor to the experience of mental fatigue. Increasing individual and community resilience through intervention and training programs will facilitate enhancement of stress coping during adversity.
The US has had commercial access to the Internet since 1990 at which individuals have been developing problematic online gaming behaviors related to functional impairment or distress. The growth of the Internet is unprecedented with now more than 30% of the world’s population with access, which translates to over 2 billion Internet users. A portion of the population, as a consequence, develops unhealthy preoccupations with activities on the Internet. Since then problematic online gaming behaviors has received in-depth investigation and media attention. The American Psychiatric Association (APA) in response proposed Internet gaming disorder as a condition requiring further research, back in May of 2013, in the fifth edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5). In mid-2018, gaming disorder became official with the World Health Organization’s (WHO) release of the 11th revision of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-11; WHO, 2018). However, to date, its precise definition continues to generate extensive debate and numerous, nonstandardized screening and assessment tools. These factors have reduced the fidelity of prevalence rates of gaming disorder and Internet gaming disorder. This review of the literature found 8 assessment instruments from 6 countries and evaluated them against the APA’s proposed criteria for Internet gaming disorder. This investigation of assessment instruments discussed and recommended the Personal Internet Gaming Disorder Evaluation, 9-item (PIE-9) for alignment with construct validity outlined by the APA.

The following presentation profiles an exploration of middle school students’ experiences of mindfulness training within an international school environment in The Netherlands. A cohort of 11-year-old middle school students participated voluntarily in a pilot run of the Dot B mindfulness program. Dot B has been designed by the Mindfulness in Schools Project for adolescents, and it consists of eight one-hour sessions. In the case of this study, these sessions were held once weekly, after school, over an eight-week period. Eighteen participants were involved, and they came from a range of countries including Korea, France, India, the Netherlands, the UK, and the US. 10 were girls, and 8 were boys, and all were in Year 1 of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years’ Program. This was a qualitative study, characterized by the interviewing of the students following their participation in the program. The interviews were semi-structured and they explored students’ personal perspectives on the impact of the mindfulness program on their daily lives. The themes that emerged through the responses indicated that participation in the training positively impacted students’ capacity to calm themselves, to manage anger, to respond to stress, to focus, to step back from thinking, to sleep better, and to perform under pressure. Students identified the strategies that they found most useful in this regard, which included the 7/11 breathing technique, grounding exercises such as the FOFBOC, and meditation exercises which foster sleep. The positive nature of students’ perspectives following the pilot run prompted the rolling out of the Dot B program across the grade level.

Transition experiences of psychiatric patients are crucial in their recovery, and may or may not lead to psychiatric re-hospitalization. In the Philippines, less is known about what happens to psychiatric patients post-discharge. The study utilized a qualitative approach in exploring how discharged psychiatric patients transition from the hospital to their respective homes and communities. Data were gathered from six adult psychiatric patients through semi-structured interviews. The participants were 20 to 36 years old, had an admitting diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder, and were back to their community for more than seven days from their discharge. Through Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis (IPA), the research found that living inside a psychiatric facility/hospital meant continuing to live their lives in a structured lifestyle. They also perceive their admission as necessary to rest, become better, and prevent themselves from hurting others, including themselves. At discharge, they felt different emotions: happy, excited, nervous, disbelief, and nothingness. Some participants felt that living outside the facility/hospital meant continuing to live their lives prior to hospitalization. In contrast, it meant changing perspectives and old lifestyles for the others. At the same time, changes with their environment, especially with their relationships with their families were vital as families were the primary source of support of most participants. The findings were essential in gaining perspectives on how psychiatric patients view their reintegration as members of the society.
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Having No Freedom to Select Courses to Teach: Does It Mean That Teachers Can't Have Their Need for Autonomy Fulfilled?
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Evidence in previous studies has shown that teachers in different education settings enjoy great autonomy and control over their teaching practices at the classroom level. On the contrary, teacher autonomy beyond the classroom is limited by structural, contextual and cultural constraints. For example, teachers have little influence or no control over curriculum-related issues and administrative tasks. The effects of external constraints on teacher autonomy and the teaching quality have received considerable critical attention. So far, there has been little discussion about teachers’ individual differences in perceptions of external constraints and their impacts on teachers’ instructional performance. This study aims to examine EFL teachers’ perceptions of their autonomy regarding course selection and course allocation process at the tertiary level in Vietnam. The study employed the conceptualisation of autonomy as a basic psychological need in Self-determination theory. Data were collected through semi-structured interviews with the participation of 20 EFL teachers from 11 universities across Vietnam. The findings show that not all teachers reported unfavourable reactions and attitudes toward their lack of involvement in course selection. Some teachers preferred to have their courses selected and allocated to them by their leaders. Some were not happy with this process but chose to compromise. Others showed their disappointment and expressed their desire to make a decision on their own courses. Drawing on Self-determination theory, the study contributes rich and fruitful findings to the area of teacher autonomy as well as the application of Self-determination theory in a Collectivist context.

62705
The Psychological Role of Orientation Sessions in the Learning Activity of Students Taking Distance Online Courses
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In modern distance programs, orientation sessions (OS) are usually aimed at providing students with technical assistance in mastering new information technological tools. This research’s focus is on the less studied - psychological - aspect of creating OS for online courses. 159 graduate students participated in the research who took the author’s online course Child Development and Learning in Cultural Context. In the beginning of the semester, students went through the OS developed for them by the author, and in the last homework assignment, they were asked if that OS was useful/useless for their online studying and why. Content analysis of students’ written responses showed that the most frequently encountered in their statements were concepts of “expectation” (90%), “navigation” (72%), and communication (57%). This result allows us to conclude that the content of OS should meet students’ needs in a) forecasting and planning of activities, b) building of adequate cognitive maps of the virtual space in which learning takes place, c) emotional communication (which is not just messaging). These learning needs are universal. However, satisfying them in online courses, in comparison with the traditional classroom, requires special efforts from developers of OS. If students’ needs are not met, they feel frustrated, learn under stress, and a whole plume of secondary negative effects may arise preventing them from successful learning. One of the most destructive effects is distrust of the various information circulating in the online course. Based on the research results, recommendations were worked out on creating an effective OS.

62956
Effectiveness of School-based Education in Improving Cervical Cancer Prevention Among Female Students: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis
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Background: Cervical cancer education in schools can reach a significant number of adolescents. This systematic review and meta-analysis examined whether school-based education is effective for improving: i) knowledge and risk perception of cervical cancer/HPV infection; and ii) attitudes and intentions toward, and uptake of, HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening among female students. Methods: We searched six databases from inception to November 2020 and included English language papers describing RCTs of any form of cervical cancer education delivered to female students in a school setting. Standardized Mean Differences and Odds Ratios were calculated using random-effects models. Methodological quality of the included studies was assessed using the revised Cochrane risk of bias tool for randomized trials and the GRADE approach. Results: Thirteen studies were included in this review. School-based education improved students’ cervical cancer/HPV infection knowledge and intentions toward HPV vaccination but not their cervical cancer/HPV infection risk perception, attitudes or uptake of HPV vaccination. Face-to-face active learning approaches seemed beneficial in improving vaccination uptake. All the school-based education interventions were one-off education events focussed on HPV vaccination only. The quality of evidence was rated from low to moderate. Only one study was judged overall as having a low risk of bias. Conclusions: More robust studies with well-conducted randomization, and better reporting of research in accordance with recommended guidelines are needed to provide high-quality evidence about the benefits of school-based education in improving cervical cancer prevention. Innovations in active learning approaches such as game-based learning, and reinforcement techniques should be considered.
Intergenerational conflicts between the elderly and the other generations persist. To reduce the conflicts, the affirmation of anti-elderly attitudes is an urgent issue. Generally, implicit/explicit anti-elderly attitudes are shown to be negative, and these attitudes have undesirable effects on the elderly, including neglect and deterioration of their mental health. In this study, we measured participants’ implicit/explicit anti-elderly attitudes, and particularly aimed to clarify the relationship between implicit anti-elderly attitudes and several individual factors, such as subjective time to become elderly (i.e., feelings of how long it will be before participants themselves become elderly), youth identity (i.e., the extent to which participants feel that they belong to a social group of youth as opposed to the elderly), contact experience with the elderly, germ aversion, and impressions toward the general elderly’s physical/mental health. We conducted an online survey of Japanese participants (N = 467, age: 18–64 years). The results showed that those who had with long subjective time to become elderly (i.e., those who believed that becoming elderly was still a long way off) had more implicit anti-elderly attitudes. Age-based categories such as youth, middle-aged, and elderly are on a continuum, suggesting that those who tend to cognitively separate themselves from the elderly may view the elderly more negatively. On the contrary, there were no other individual factors that had a significant relationship with implicit anti-elderly attitudes. Individual factors closely related to implicit anti-elderly attitudes have not been fully clarified and need to be examined in the future psychological research.

62262
The Development and Validation of Psychological Measures of Self-injurious Behaviors (PM-SIB) for Filipino Young Adults: Test Conceptualization and Item Analysis
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Young adults encounter several challenges in life, and cope through positive or negative means. Some individuals commit suicide because of lost hope, and some commit self-injury without suicidal intent. Using a scale validation method, this study proposes an assessment entitled “Psychological Measures of Self-Injurious Behaviors” (PM-SIB), for the presence of self-injurious behaviors without suicidal intent, since there are still no available local instruments that can identify the presence and reasons for this kind of behaviors among Filipino youths. This study is anchored on the Cognitive Motivational Relational Theory of Emotions (CMRT), the Four Function Model of Non-Suicidal Self-Injury, and through thorough review of studies and literatures on self-injurious behaviors without suicidal intent. The insights of students and mental health professionals contributed to the development of the instrument. The findings of the study yielded two indicators such as cognitive and affective of the PM-SIB. These were content validated by various experts in the field of psychology and psychiatry. Then, item analysis was done after it was pilot tested on 76 students.

62299
Investigating the Influence of Movie Genre on Mood Using Nonparametric Methods
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There has been several studies related to investigating the relation of mood and personality with entertainment domain for various reasons. Recent studies with the help of huge number of data made it possible to have a better understanding of mood regulation and how it is influenced by the entertainment industry. Although the recent studies were promising, there exist many vague and unknown aspects to shed light on. In the present study, nonparametric methods were used to investigate the influence of watching specific movie genres (horror, comedy, and romance) on mood from a filled questionnaire of 30 participants. In addition, the relation of the personality types of these participants with movie genre preferences was analyzed using a nonparametric method. The results revealed that: 1) There is a significant evidence that watching a particular movie can influences some mood components; 2) There was enough evidence to conclude that Conscientiousness and Openness personality traits can be predicted by Romance genre movies with certain confidence levels, but there was not enough evidence to find any particular relation between other personality traits with any movie genres; 3) There are evidences that watching movies can be used as a part of psychotherapy technique to treat mood disorders, and not all movie genres are suitable for people who are suffering from mood disorders.

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Children of Hope: Influential Factors, Growth Mindset, and Self-concept of Children in Conflict With the Law
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One of the most challenging issues in the Philippines today is the increased involvement of the children and youth in committing offenses against the law. With a deficiency in research discussing delinquency in a different stance, the researcher aimed to study the lived experiences, growth mindset, and self-concept. Although numerous studies explored various influential factors on delinquency, the researcher intended to emphasize the essential roles of the psychological and social/environmental factors on Filipino children in conflict with the law. The researcher employed a Qualitative Research Design using Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis as its most-fitting method for the study. Six (6) in-housed children in conflict with the law residing in Bahay Pag-asa Santa Rosa and Bahay Pag-asa Muntinlupa were selected via purposive sampling. Eight (8) superordinate and fourteen (14) subordinate themes emerged from the in-depth interview and focus group discussion. The study revealed that youth resorted to delinquency because of external and internal influences reinforced by their previous struggles such as their family’s financial dilemma, early drop out from school, exposure to vices, and negative interaction with the authorities. Furthermore, the participants shared the challenges as well as their positive lived experiences inside the facility. Despite of unfortunate circumstances, they perceive themselves and their current situation positively because of faith, social support, and coping efforts. This study strived to provide the public relevant ideas in understanding the children in conflict with the law. Finally, it intended to help clinical psychologists curate intervention programs for them to become useful citizens.
Qualitative/Quantitative Research in any other area of Psychology

62491
Self-identity Formation of Online Content Creators: A Case Study of Thai YouTubers
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With the rise of new media and the increased online content creation, the ability of YouTubers to manage and guide their channel has become more important than ever. This research investigates the strategic techniques of YouTubers and their relationship with the formation of self-identity. It gives insight into this new knowledge of interrelation to understand the development of content creator’s self-identity on the online video sharing platform. A qualitative research analysis of the in-depth interviews of 13 content creators on the YouTube platform was carried out. Key informant’s profiles were characteristic of YouTube’s broad categories, as well as using selection criteria that displayed various metrics of success. The analysis drew to several emerging codes related to the formation of content creator’s self-identity. The research finding reveals that creating the content mainly from the real-self is a significant strategy of YouTubers to emotionally connect with the followers and to identify with themselves. Their self-unique is the most influential factor that brings the followers to the channel. Furthermore, they also focus on the authenticity of the content that based on their real self and express it in both verbal and non-verbal language they present in the video. YouTubers also concern about the need of related people. They create the content by balancing the needs of three groups; viewers, sponsors, and themselves, yet give more weight to their self-identity and self-happiness.

62860
Personality Traits, Motivation and Performance of Employees in a Pharmaceutical Company in the Philippines: Basis for Performance Improvement Plan
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The purpose of this descriptive correlational study is to examine the relationship between employees’ personality traits, motivation, and work performance. Corollary to this, it likewise aims to determine whether personality traits and employee motivation predicts the work performance of medical sales representative. A total of 125 medical sales representatives assigned at the NCR were selected for the study, using stratified and universal sampling. Three instruments were used in this study: The Big Five Personality Test by Mcrae and Costa (2003) to identify the personality of the respondents; Work Motivation Questionnaire-A by Agarwal (2012), and the Performance Appraisal Evaluation by Getz Pharma (2018). Results revealed that motivation and work performance are positively related, personality traits and work performance are positively related, but motivation and personality are not related. The strength of the relationship for the first two constructs, however, is weak. Further, results also suggested that material incentives and job situation are significant predictors of work performance. Majority of the findings are supported by the literature review, except for the link between personality traits and motivation in the context of sales, which needs further investigation. Finally, a general work performance improvement plan is recommended to further improve the performance of the medical sales representatives.

62927
Inside the Criminal’s Mind: An Investigation of the Factors that Lead to Criminal Behavior and the Motives of Convicted Criminals
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With the prevalence of crimes in the society, various researches about the origins of criminal behavior were already conducted. Yet, most of the studies conducted in the Philippines were quantitative, and focuses only to one cause of criminal behavior. Thus, this mixed method study was conducted to ascertain other factors that causes criminal behaviors as well as the motives of criminals for engaging into such behaviors. Short Dark Triad (SD3) was utilized to measure the criminals’ level of psychopathy, narcissism, and machiavellianism. On the other hand, Crime and Violence Scale (CVS) was utilized to quantify criminal behavior. A Filipino translated version of these scales were used to make them more applicable to the Filipino population. A semi-structured interview was conducted to further discover the other factors and motives why a person becomes a criminal. After comparing the scores of the two scales, it was found out that there is no significant relationship between the dark triad of personality and criminal behavior. The findings of this study suggest that personality is not solely the main factor why a person would develop criminal behavior but there are other factors such as, unhealthy parenting, absence of parental figure, social influence, and absence of fear towards God. Moreover, this study also concluded that crimes of passion, conflict, complicity and poverty were the main motives of convicted criminals. The results of this study would greatly benefit society because once the causes of criminal behavior is known, prevention of such behavior would be easier to address.
Reliving the Memory: The Disenfranchised Grief, Guilt, and Meaning-making of Filipino Bereaved Pet Owners
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Companion animals have become a source of social and emotional support, thereby fulfilling some unmet attachment needs of their owners. Studies have shown that losing a pet can rupture the human-animal bond, and that the marginalization of pet grief only exacerbates the situation, thus making a person psychologically vulnerable. Despite its prevalence, little is known about the unrecognized burden of pet loss in the Philippine context. With this, the current study utilized a qualitative approach in exploring the disenfranchised grief, guilt, and meaning making of selected Filipino bereaved cat and dog owners. Data were collected using semi-structured interviews from 6 participants who are 21-39 years old and have availed of pet cremation or biocremation (aquamation) services in Metro Manila. Through Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis (IPA), it was revealed that the participants’ disenfranchised grief is a struggle between self-minimized as well as socially diminished grief. Moreover, guilt manifested in the participants’ shattered sense of commitment which made them feel responsible for their pet’s death. Also, the participants were able to make sense of the legacy behind their cat/dog’s death. Findings of this study will help mental health professionals acknowledge pet bereavement, as well as the importance of emotional validation in processing this stigmatized loss, so they can help bereaved pet owners cope with the psychological impact of pet loss by enfranchising or normalizing their grief.

Disentangling the Saving Puzzle in Aging Japan – Psychological Factors Matter
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Lots of empirical studies have concluded that basic life-cycle hypothesis is not convincing and tried to add the supplementary explanation by employing "precautionary motive" and "bequest motive". However, these two motives unable to make sufficient responses until now. Japan, in the position of confronting a super-ageing society, holds the puzzle that elderly people do not have these two motives, since the medical insurance system and the long-term care insurance system have already been enhanced (which falls under precautionary motive), and the number of single households and unmarried people among elderly has dramatically increased (which belongs to "bequest motive"). Using the household savings survey 2013-18 (carried out by Yucho foundation in Japan), this study demonstrates the puzzle employing the prospect theory in the context of both risk and uncertainty. Specifically, I examined a single decision based on three unordered alternatives by multinomial logit model (MNL). The results showed that present bias make people save more, and risk averse drive them more cautious when it comes to exhausting decision. We suggest that not only the institutional factors, but also the psychological issues are important for social welfare policy for elderly.
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Rationalist models of ethical decision making (Jones, 1991) assume that higher order conscious reasoning dominates the ethical decision-making process and that bad people do bad things due to either greed, bad character or poor values. Interventions following unethical crisis commonly follow on from this assumption and include: new deterrents; efforts to weed out the ‘bad apples’; and retraining in values. However, research shows that people with ‘a good will’ create bad outcomes in business on a seemingly regular basis and that efforts at ethics education make little or no difference (Desplaces et al., 2007; Jewe, 2008). This paper builds on Ping’s (2017) interdisciplinary causal factor model on ‘Why Good People Do Bad Things’ which indicated that individual perceptions of justice regarding the subjective assessment of unfolding reality have a cumulative effect on the behaviour of individuals. When subjects perceived reality to be unfair or unjust they were more inclined to use moral neutralisations to justify acts that would objectively be considered to be in violation of their aspirational moral values. This perception and the invoked justifications then blinded them to the moral aspect of the issue at hand and allowed them to create unethical outcomes that they perceived to be just. Moral Intention Theory proposes that the key to creating a moral culture is to teach people how to set moral intention based on fairness, justice and reciprocity - and then to protect it from the flawed justifications that neutralise the very morals that good people aspire to live by.

The main purpose of this study is to understand the impact of individuals’ relative deprivation perception and job insecurity on performance, but also to prevent or solve the mechanism, in other words, this study also wants to explore factors that can slow down relative deprivation perception and job insecurity to undermine performance, to explore from the perspective of cognitive assessment, to join the challenge appraisal to explore the effect of this negative impact mitigation. Challenge appraisal is the primary assessment in the cognitive evaluation model, an important process for the formation of cognition, and then influences motivation and effort. In view of the fact that the expansion of an organization is inevitably due to unequal or unfair distribution of resources or opportunities, it is difficult to avoid situations that in some ways create a sense of relative deprivation among employees and enhance their job insecurity, which in turn leads to underperformance that the organization does not enjoy, so this study will delve into this topic and try to identify factors to mitigate this situation.

The AUKUS trilateral security pact was announced between the United States (U.S.), the United Kingdom and Australia on September 15, 2021. It pledged the two larger allies would assist the development of nuclear-powered submarines for the Royal Australian Navy (RAN), as well as broader cooperation in cybersecurity, and the development of cruise and hypersonic missiles. AUKUS led to the immediate cancellation of a A$90 billion contract signed by Australia in 2016 with the French government-owned Naval Group company to design and deliver a new generation of conventionally powered submarines for the RAN. This contribution will analyse how ethical values have played a role in the escalating diplomatic crisis, as the respective leaders of France and Australia, President Emmanuel Macron and Prime Minister Scott Morrison, have personally accused each other of deceptive conduct. The wider implications for global security will also be examined. Concerns have been raised by scholars of arms control, and by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), that AUKUS could encourage other non-nuclear powers to pursue nuclear submarines, which threatens to erode the international non-proliferation regime. This policy decision has thus resulted in a security dilemma for Australia. By engaging in an arms race to deter the rising geopolitical assertiveness of the People’s Republic of China, the conservative Morrison government has eroded its relations with traditional ally France, and complicated relations with their mutual U.S. ally. As a national election is due by May 2022, Morrison may also suffer a domestic political cost, due to his ethical mendacity.

Several ideas have been proposed to solve the Question of Palestine, but it is known that none of them actually succeeded. Representative examples include the two-state solution for the separation and independence of Israel and Palestine and the one-state solution for the coexistence of two ethnic groups within one country. This study examined methodological problems common to the two main ideas to contribute to the development of viable and sustainable solutions in the future. In conclusion, the most important problem is that these ideas, while tolerating to a certain extent the legitimacy of the nationalistic aspirations of the two ethnic groups, fail to respond either to the coexistence of two ethnic groups within one country. This study examined methodological problems common to the two main ideas to contribute to the development of viable and sustainable solutions in the future. In conclusion, the most important problem is that these ideas, while tolerating to a certain extent the legitimacy of the nationalistic aspirations of the two ethnic groups, fail to respond either to achieve sustainable segregation and stabilization or to adjust them within a country. To cope with this problem, this study discussed the possibility of introducing a governance system in which sovereignty overlaps within the same territory based on the personal statutes (lex personalis), through the relativization of the principle of national self-determination and the conventional nation-state system.
Moral resilience is defined as the capacity to sustain or restore integrity in response to moral complexity, confusion, distress, or setbacks. This term has been mainly developed in the context of healthcare. However, moral resilience's main focus is on individual aspects, such as self-regulation capacities or self-care. We have introduced the term "collective moral resilience" to capture the shared capacity arising from mutual engagement and dialogue in group settings, in response to moral distress, and towards building an ethical practice environment. Since this term is still under construction, in this presentation we aim to explore what are the main components of collective moral resilience that can lead a group of professionals to overcome the ethical and moral difficulties arising in the pandemic and beyond. Particularly, we focus on the connections between the individual and the collective level, and the relationship with these two terms: the concept of relational integrity and the concept of vulnerability. We believe that a better understanding of the key elements of collective moral resilience, together with the connections between these related terms can be of great value to support healthcare professionals during the pandemic and beyond. For doing that, organizational commitment is required. In addition, applying the term into the formation of healthcare students, and residents would be a necessary step to promote an ethical practice environment.

**Philosophy**

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**Sophistry, the Language of Narcissism**
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Narcissism and sophistry appear to be distant areas of human phenomena - the first belongs to the area of clinical disorders, which have been defined since recent times in icd-10 and icd-11, the second to the broad area of rhetoric, as it was already known in antiquity. At this point, our excessive social demand to "diagnose" people and their behavior, to divide them into "symptoms" and to pathologize them, could be recognized as a historically late phenomenon, based on the modern discovery of the ego and its shadow, in contrast to the general efforts of rhetoricians to proceed pragmatically, far from any denunciation, and to understand language as an instrument to achieve any purpose. But this approach, however refined, does not correspond to the focus of research that seeks to explore the relationship between narcissism and sophistry. However, apart from the historical perspective, which undoubtedly produces different results and highlights the differences, it is worth taking a systematic look at both phenomena, because unexpected commonalities can be identified here. Narcissism is considered a personality disorder that distorts thinking, feeling and acting. This distortion is also expressed, among other things, in unusual patterns of speech that systemically aim to demonstrate power to others, rhetorical tricks to destabilize the opponent. Sophistry has functioned in a very similar way ever since Plato wrote his famous dialogue "Protagoras". Plato describes the sophist as a pathological liar, grand speaker and manipulator.

62582
**The Entanglements of Religious Charismatic Authority**
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Charismatic authority is shaped in the encounter between a follower and a leader through their social interactions and is characterized by a particular emotive quality. While focusing on this relationship, the paper explores practices in the context of religious inspirational approaches the existing literature on charismatic authority through several lenses of Islamic authority. It highlights why prospective followers become interested in religious movements, how a charismatic bond is shaped, and under which circumstances it is likely for followers to believe in and shape the charisma of a leader. The definition of charisma as a "gift of grace" was first coined by Max Weber who focused on its religious motivation. While the term developed in the 1920s, it has been retroactively applied to cases such as Jesus, the Prophet Mohammad, or Buddha. Charismatic authority was unpacked by Weber in relation to legal and traditional authority. Today charismatic authority has found its place as an intersection between traditional and legal authority. This study looks into the context of the recent emergence of religious leaders in Europe through the lens of individual charisma and routinization developed by Weber, as well as that of collective charisma developed by Durkheim.
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Building Resilience through Self-care: Art and Aesthetic Wellness
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Into the second year of the pandemic, most educational institutes have made adjustments in order to continue the delivery of courses and programmes. Some regions have resumed a kind of normality and returned to face-to-face interaction for regular classes, and some regions may have adopted a hybrid mode to facilitate better reach to students. No matter what the actual implemented mechanism is, educators over the world have come to realise that rethinking "education" is necessary, in terms of the mode of delivery, as well as the value and kind of education we are offering to students. Besides reflecting on the mode and nature of education, another consensus among educators is the need to enhance students’ resilience, both in formal education and informal curriculum. This presentation is a proposal on building resilience of university students through co-curricular activities, focusing on self-care. Young people in higher education sector is going through the threshold of adulthood, and this period is already full of challenges about personal identity and value. The pandemic is only a reminder to us of the importance of this core component for university students in their education. The proposal here is to use art as an indirect and informal learning experience to guide students to better self-care.

61798
Reincarnation: Back from the Dead
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It is in the nature of human beings to search for the meaning of life. In this connection the idea of reincarnation is steadily gaining greater credence in the West. In this presentation, the author takes a critical look at the various aspects of the reincarnation concept and presents the arguments of both its supporters and detractors. He continues by explaining why reincarnation is increasingly attractive to many people, examines the various possible research approaches and launches a plea to concentrate on the following fundamental question: could a properly constructed experiment settle the matter once and for all. Finally, he gives a look ahead to the future of reincarnation research.

Religion

62169
An Appraisal of the Filipino Catholic Devotion to the Black Nazarene in the Light of New Evangelization
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Popular devotions are reflections and expressions of the people’s faith. They are expressions of how people recognize God in their lives, and as a shared experience, they foster expressions of devotion and thus become a manifestation of prayer. Popular devotions as forms of prayer and worship do not contradict the Sacred Liturgy but are acknowledged as legitimate by the Apostolic See. Moreover, popular devotions, in general, lead to the cultivation of some values. One of the most popular devotions among Filipino Catholics is the devotion to the Black Nazarene, a life-sized statue of Jesus Christ kneeling in one knee carrying the cross-dressed in a maroon robe. His face is marked with wounds and blood. His head is crowned with thorns with three gold-plated metal rays on the top of his head, with his eyes looking up to heaven. The Black Nazarene devotion balances Christology from below and above, i.e., Christ does not remain crucified. Instead, he brings the hope of resurrection to those who fervently approach him with faith, hope, and love. It suffices to say that the Black Nazarene serves as a means for the Filipino faithful to encounter Christ in their lives. Given this, this paper aims to appraise the Black Naz-arene Devotion as a means that contributes to the New Evangelization among Filipino Catholics. More specifically, this paper seeks to answer how the devotion to the Black Nazarene aids Filipino Catholics in their desire to sustain and grow in their faith amidst the crises and problems they are facing.

62266
Jesus the Economist: Envisioning God’s Economy of Solidarity and Equality to Global Resilience
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Throughout the earthly life of Jesus, he spoke regularly about wealth, possession, ownership, poverty, and even the economy’s taxes. As a result, multiple interpretations of Jesus as an economist have emerged: some believe He was a socialist, while others believe He was a capitalist. This paper is a case study of the historical Jesus that focuses on understanding Jesus as an economist by envisioning God’s economy not by placing Him into a single economic system of being a capitalist or socialist, specifically on how Jesus as an economist contribute significantly to global recovery and resilience in present time. To put it into context, God’s economy is seeing the entire world as God’s household, all creation of God belongs to God’s household. In God’s economy, Jesus was concerned about solidarity and equality, not with the profit of a single individual or group, but with the wellbeing of all, as recounted in the scriptures. Regardless of the economic system we follow, this pandemic has presented a variety of issues. These issues have an impact on the economy of the country and lead to increasingly dangerous crises, injustices, and inequities among the population. As a result, every nation is attempting to recover economically, and every country hopes for global recovery and resilience. Reconnecting to Jesus’ teachings and examples on solidarity and equality is a focal point to global resilience.
Families in irregular situations are twice vulnerable as compared to those families in regular situations. The uniqueness of their situation requires a different pastoral approach. Amoris Laetitia provides both the theological and pastoral framework in accompanying the families in irregular situations. Based on AL's Theology of Care, the study presents the accompaniment of the families in irregular situations and implies a more significant challenge to Church ministry. Families are both the present and the future of the Church. Family ministry is not a one-size-fits-all approach to all families. It has to seriously consider the situation, context, and unique experiences of families in irregular situations. For this reason, the insistence of AL to care for families living in these situations will have substantial implications in doing family ministry. Using thematic analysis, the study explores the emerging dynamics of accompanying families in irregular situations in the light of Amoris Laetitia.

The research analyzed the implications of Covid-19 pandemic on the formation of faith, morals, and resiliency of Filipino Christian character. Descriptive approach was used for 600 student and parent respondents at the University of Perpetual Help System. The results of the study showed that respondents' behavioral responses to Integration, Manifestation, and Recognition were contributory factors to Filipino Christian character formation. Likewise, those factors influenced the faith, morals, and resiliency of Filipino Christian character and their value formation. A major finding showed that Covid 19 pandemic had no great impact on the integration of Filipino Christian value formation. Another major finding was Covid 19 pandemic had a considerable impact on faith, morals, and resiliency of Filipino Christians in forming a stronger character. However, weakened Filipino Christian values and character-building were identified as low negative impression of Covid 19 pandemic, that it could be transformed to a positive outlook in the light of virtues and values integrated in the formation of Filipino Christian character. The researcher recommends to integrate good manners and right conduct and Filipino Christian values in science and technology and to encourage parents to intensify the inculcation of Filipino Christian values at home. Likewise, there is a need to preserve and develop the Filipino culture, tradition, and beliefs which serve as strong foundation in building Filipino Christian communities.
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Conclusion: In consequence this study has disclosed the need to prepare a public policy to improve the assurance of rights of the elderly. Moreover, the education of health specialists on equity is imperative and should be implemented in their training, qualifying and upskilling.
Loneliness is associated with poorer cognitive functions, lower quality of life, with increased mortality and healthcare utilization. Despite an estimated 2-5% of elderly residing in nursing homes, there is limited knowledge on their loneliness experience. This study seeks to obtain an indicative prevalence of loneliness among nursing home residents in Singapore, explore associations of loneliness with different variables, and better understand their loneliness experience. A cross-sectional mixed methods study was conducted between May to July 2018. Loneliness was determined by the UCLA three-item loneliness scale, with other information collected on health statuses and social contacts. 57 cognitively-intact nursing home residents above 65 years old were recruited for the quantitative strand, and prevalence ratios were estimated using modified Poisson model with robust estimator. Eight participants were recruited for the qualitative strand, where analysis was conducted using a line-by-line inductive approach with grounded theory techniques. 59.6% of study participants experienced loneliness. After statistical adjustment, significant associations were detected between frailty and loneliness, and history of falls and loneliness. The estimated prevalence ratio of loneliness among frail elderly is 1.37 times that of those pre-frail (p=0.018), and estimated prevalence ratio of loneliness among elderly with history of falls is 1.35 times that of those without (p<0.0001). The loneliness experience may be amplified by deficiencies in health, social contact, and engagement, and mitigated through reminiscence and anticipation. Individuals’ perspective of circumstances and autonomy may amplify or mitigate loneliness. With older and frailer residents, the observed loneliness experience may be unique to nursing homes.
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An Examination of Patterns and Facilitators of Internet Use Among Older Americans
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It is widely known that older adults are less likely to use information and communication technologies including the internet than younger people. However, knowledge around the digital divide has been focused on explaining the phenomenon rather than offering practical suggestions to reduce the internet utilization gap between generations. In response, the current study contributes to an in-depth understanding of older adults’ internet use based on findings from an online/offline cross-sectional survey. The survey responses have been collected by 216 participants aged 65 or older in the US since February 2021. A descriptive analysis of the responses revealed specific patterns of internet use among the participants. When asked about the main purposes of internet use, the three most prevalent responses were information search, communication, and entertainment resources. In contrast, the three least prevalent responses were helping others, meeting new people, and engagement in advocacy activities. For the digital competence expressed by a 5-point Likert scale, the three most competent activities among the participants were online shopping, information search, and writing emails. Creating contents such as Youtube clips, booking (e.g., seats for concert or flight), and making video calls were reported as the three least competent activities. In addition, a multiple linear regression showed that older adults’ internet use was associated with higher social connection, more human resources to teach digital skills, and poorer age-friendly environment for internet use. The findings indicate that older adults need enhanced support and public resources for internet use, especially for performing more sophisticated activities.

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Effects of Demographic Characteristics on Self-Perception Towards Ageing Among Older Adults
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The impact of demographic characteristics on self-perception towards ageing is well documented in the West. However, there exists little evidence on such studies in Kenya. The goal of this causal-comparative study was to determine the influence of selected demographic characteristics on self-perception towards ageing of older adults. Data was collected from older persons (n=140, >65yrs) enrolled into Older Person’s Cash Transfer program that serves the non-pensionable and aged Kenyans. Data was analyzed using Pearson correlation coefficient, the ANOVA followed by post hoc Tukey HSD tests. The study instrument had a reliability of α = .65. Findings revealed that the older adults experienced a neutral level self-perception towards ageing. Seven of the selected demographic characteristics; age, sex, marital status, living arrangement, monthly income and other sources of income showed insignificant influence on self-perception towards ageing among the older adults. The findings further revealed that employment status and poor self-perceived health had a significant influence on self-perception towards ageing. These findings highlight the importance of wellness and having a source of income in enhancing self-perception towards ageing.

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Changes in Quality of Life of the Elderly in Korea after the COVID-19 Pandemic
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Due to COVID-19, the world is experiencing various changes. People were suffered from fear and anxiety about the contagion. Accordingly, the need for policy attention to care for people’s negative emotions was raised. In particular, the elderly is more vulnerable to infectious diseases, requiring special attention. Thus, this study aimed to analyze the changes in the daily life and quality of life of the elderly after outbreak of COVID-19, and to discuss ways to improve the quality of life of the elderly after the pandemic. Survey on the elderly in Korea which is a legal nationwide survey collected every three years was analyzed. The data from 2017 and 2020 were compared to clarify the difference between before and after outbreak of COVID-19. Frequency analysis, t-test, ANCOVA, and regression analysis were performed. As a result, social network was weakened, the frequency of exercise decreased. The number of electronic devices activity and TV/radio viewing time were increased. Finally, it was found that the overall quality of life of the elderly in Korea has increased even after the pandemic. Multiple regression analysis was performed to understand why the quality of life of the elderly in Korea improved after the pandemic. It was found that the frequency of visits with family and the level of government service awareness affect the quality of life of the elderly in Korea. Through these results, policy measures to prevent the deterioration of the quality of life of the elderly in a pandemic situation were discussed.

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Is Precarious Work for Middle-aged and Elderly People Divided by Gender in Korea?
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Typical retirement age in Korea is 51 for men and 48 for women, but this age is still too young for receiving public pensions. Since public pension is insufficient to earn a living, continuing work after retirement is considered “essential” for middle-aged and elderly people, not a “choice.” Their employment rate has steadily increased since 2015 and the response “to earn money” ranked as the highest reason for working even after retirement. However, since precarious work was separated according to age and gender, the elderly and women were classified as higher-risk for precarious work in several studies. The purpose of this study is to categorize precarious work experienced by middle-aged and elderly men and women respectively in the labor market and to examine the heterogeneous changes in the gender division of precarious work. Data are employed from the 1st(2006) wave to the 7th(2018) wave of the Korean Longitudinal Study of Ageing(KLoSA) and the group-based trajectory analysis is conducted. As a result of the analysis, five trajectories are derived respectively for men and women. Men are continuously exposed to the danger of precarious work or show a deepening pattern toward danger. On the other hand, women continued to work with higher uncertainty than men, but 9.1% of them were out of the risk of precarious work. The results of this study suggest that customized policies need to be implemented to resolve the risk of gender division of precarious work in the labor market.
Towards Successful Aging and Well-being in Later Life: Lay Perspectives From Chinese Elders
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The notion of successful aging (SA) indicates elders could sustain physical health and socially active during the aging process, and achieving optimal aging could enhance happiness and vitality. However, perceptions of SA have not been reached consistently. Extant literature reveals aging successfully is culturally specific, and values of SA vary from Western and non-Western societies. Moreover, understandings of SA present discords between self-assessed and researcher-defined SA. Given that existing studies on SA in the Chinese cultural realm is under-represented, this research deploys an 'emic approach' for exploring lay perspectives about SA among Chinese elders. This qualitative research recruited 19 seniors within two communities, and semi-structured interviews, focused groups were conducted for data collection. Through thematic analysis, results suggest perspectives of SA from laypersons are multidimensional. Participants suppose SA constitutes 10 elements which could be classified into 4 primary aspects: physical well-being (mobility, cognition maintenance), economic well-being (financial security, self-reliance), psychosocial well-being (harmonized relationship, social connectedness, self-esteem, acceptance and adaptation), and social welfare (affordability and accessibility of healthcare, government support). Especially, these viewpoints present some unique features. Compared with Western counterparts, financial security and affordability of healthcare were highly valued. Additionally, participants underscored harmonized family relationships but placed less emphasis on reciprocal care, which implies filial tradition may change. Finally, by contrast with previous studies, participants view acceptance and adaptation as important elements, especially in facing adversity and uncertainty during the pandemic. Overall, this research illustrates multifaceted perspectives about SA, which could provide valuable information for policymakers when planning age-friendly services.

Preparedness of Health Facilities to Provide Ischemic Heart Disease and Stroke Management to the Growing Elderly Population Living in Bangladesh
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Global populations are ageing, and non-communicable diseases (NCDs) are growing fast. In Bangladesh, Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) especially, Ischaemic Heart Disease (IHD) and Stroke are the major killers. Ageing is a strong determining factor for NCDs development. On current trends, the population aged over sixty-years is projected to rise from 11.3 million in 2016 to 44.1 million in 2051 in Bangladesh. Therefore, the country will face an increase in age-related health issues especially, NCDs. This burden will cause major problems to the existing health system of Bangladesh. The current study aims to evaluate the preparedness of the healthcare system to provide IHD and Stroke management to the growing elderly population in Bangladesh. This is a mixed method study. Selective public hospitals from all three tier of the healthcare delivery system of Bangladesh; primary, secondary and tertiary levels of care at Dhaka and Mymensingh division have been included. This study involves health facility survey, structured questionnaire survey and qualitative study. Preparedness of the health facilities to provide IHD and Stroke management will be assessed through the survey using ‘service availability and readiness assessment’ (SARA) tools of the World Health Organization (WHO). Formal caregivers will take part in interviews and focus group discussion to share their perspectives on preparedness of health system to manage IHD and Stroke. Also, service users or their family members will participate in interviews and focus group discussion to share their experiences on receiving IHD and Stroke related services from hospitals.

Prevalence of Associated Factors of Disability Among Older Adults With Hypertension in Southeast Asia: A Scoping Review
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Background: The prevalence of chronic disease and disability is expected to increase when age increases. This study aims to investigate the published articles related to disability among elderly living with hypertension in Southeast Asia. Study Design: A scoping review Data source: Web of science, Pubmed, CINAHL, Cochrane and a google search from 2000 to 2021. Results: There were five observational studies from Indonesia, Vietnam and Malaysia met our inclusion criteria. Studies mainly focus on investigating the prevalence and factors associated with disabilities among the elderly. Conclusion: Our scoping review has shown studies on disability among older adults with hypertension in the Southeast Asia. Aging, low education, unemployment status, BMI were main factors of disability among older adults with hypertension. More research required from countries in region of Southeast Asia in order to prepare an intervention or program for aged society.

Suicide in Older Adults Aged 75+ Living in Long-term Care Facilities: A National Register-based Study
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Objectives: To investigate the risk of suicide in nursing home residents aged 75 and above and the role of psychiatric and physical conditions. Methods: A Swedish national register-based cohort study of nursing home residents aged ≥75 years between 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2015, and followed until 31 December 2016 (N=288 305). Fine and Gray regression models were used to analyse associations with suicide. Results: The study identified 110 suicides (15.8 per 100,000 person-years). The median time spent in nursing home before suicide was 292 days (Interquartile Q1-Q3: 115 – 489) and about one half occurred within a year after moving to nursing home. Adjusted sub-hazard ratio (aSHR) for suicide was decreased in those who were on antidepressants (aSHR 0.64, 95% confidence interval 0.42 to 0.97), even after the exclusion of residents who had healthcare contacts for dementia or were on anti-dementia drugs. The aSHR for suicide was more than two-fold higher in those who were on hypnotics (2.20, 1.46 to 3.31). Suicide risk was particularly elevated in those with an episode of self-harm prior to nursing home residence (15.78, 10.01 to 24.87). Conclusions: A lower risk of suicide in nursing home residents was found in users of antidepressants, while elevated risk was observed in those on hypnotics, and in those with previous self-harm. Our findings suggest that more can be done to prevent suicide in this setting.
Conclusions: We advocate for better interprofessional care, which extends CFCs’ agency beyond their households to levels encompassing ideas of cultural reflexivity.

Discussion: We posited that a mismatch of culturally appropriate services situated CFCs to tolerate increasing caregiving burdens as their dependent on policies that matched their financial circumstances, and to availability of culturally acceptable care.

Results: A mismatch for available resources meeting CFCs and older adults’ needs exist, which was most prominent when CFCs were responsible for the care of their older loved ones who resided in the same households. Further, access to health and social services were dependent on policies that matched their financial circumstances, and to availability of culturally acceptable care.

Background: Aging in place, an option of staying in one’s home as one ages, is assumed to meet the preferences of older persons; however, few studies report on the assessment of older persons’ quality of life and involvement of family caregivers that enables it. This raises questions about the agency of family caregivers, and more specifically of those who are immigrants or identify as ethnic minorities.

Purpose: Our study explored how Chinese family caregivers’ (CFCs) access health and social services in their community.

Methods: This qualitative study used a critical realism lens to analyze the data generated from the individual interviews conducted with a sample of 28 CFCs between August 2020 to June 2021 in the Greater Toronto Area, Canada.

Results: A mismatch for available resources meeting CFCs and older adults’ needs exist, which was most prominent when CFCs were responsible for the care of their older loved ones who resided in the same households. Further, access to health and social services were dependent on policies that matched their financial circumstances, and to availability of culturally acceptable care.

Discussion: We posited that a mismatch of culturally appropriate services situated CFCs to tolerate increasing caregiving burdens as their older loved ones transitioned in their illness trajectories. To extend the agency of CFCs, we recommend training interprofessional teams.

Conclusions: We advocate for better interprofessional care, which extend CFCs’ agency beyond their households to levels encompassing the community, policy, and society.
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