

China Research Colloquium 2018-19 Term 1

“Left-over Women”:

Marriage, Family and the State in Post-Mao China

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Room 503, 5/F,

Yasumoto International Academic Park



ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Professor Jun ZHANG is a sociocultural anthropologist. She taught at Bryn Mawr College in the United States and the University of Hong Kong before she joined City University of Hong Kong. Her research interests include middle-class culture, philanthropy and humanitarianism, automobility and infrastructure, spatial politics and urbanization, with a regional focus on China. She has published in international journals including *Modern China*, *City and Society*, and *History and Technology*. Her first book *Driving toward Modernity: Cars and Lives of the Middle Class in Contemporary China* will be published by Cornell University Press in 2019. She is now working on a new project that explores the spatial metamorphosis of Canton (present-day Guangzhou) as a way to critically evaluate the socio-economic and political transformation in the intense urbanization processes in China.

ABOUT THE TALK

This lecture will examine the changes in marriage and family practices among the emerging middle class in post-Mao China. Engaging with the recent intellectual debates on modernization, care and ethics, the lecture will shed light on the larger picture of socio-political transformation through the controversy over so-called “left-over women”.

Free Admission

The colloquium is conducted in English

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