

Call for Papers
Research on Family Violence in Greater China
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Patriarchal ideology and male dominance in the family are still deeply embedded in Chinese social life despite recent improvement in gender equity and rights for women. A society with prevalent ideas of patriarchy is long considered one of major factors related to family violence. However, the topics of family violence in Greater China, is extremely understudied and limited research exists. Accordingly, this goal of this call is to help develop and highlight studies of family violence in China.

Overall, this special issue seeks contributions that are grounded in evidence and empirical research on family violence in Greater China, which includes the mainland, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macau. Specifically, there are three objectives of this special issue. First, it aims to promote and advance an understanding of family violence through much-needed, rigorous and empirical research. Second, it seeks to bridge the wisdom of researchers globally by encouraging international collaborations among scholars on the study of family violence in Greater China. Third, it serves as a platform for international readers regarding the cutting edge research on the key features of family violence in Greater China where has been undergoing rapid social changes.

Potential Paper Topics

This special issue is open to all relevant theoretical perspectives and methods (e.g., qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods). Priority will be given to submissions derived from evidence-based, empirical research. Relevant topics on family violence in the Greater China area may include but are not limited to:

- Typologies of family violence including physical, sexual, and psychological violence occurring in the family setting, e.g., spousal violence and violence/maltreatment against children/elderly;
- The nature and extent of self-reported family violence offending and victimization including victimization among rural and/or migrant women;
- Correlates of family violence including individual, social structural, and cultural factors leading to family violence;
- Impacts of family violence including subsequent psychological and behavioral problems of family members;

- Family violence of special population such as pregnant women, and those institutionalized due to psychological illness or crime commission;
- Measures of family violence that are relevant and meaningful to Greater China;
- Social services such as applied research related to the delivery, refinement, and standards for batterer treatment; victim support and assistance programs; assessment, diagnostic protocols, and interventions for physical injury, psychological, and emotional trauma; impacts and risks to children from direct and indirect exposure to violence and abuse; and
- Restorative justice and its utilization in family violence;
- Criminal justice responses to family violence;
- Attitudes toward family violence.

Submission Guidelines & Steps

1. Interested authors should submit a 300-word abstract, a list of authors and affiliations, and a short bio for each author (no more than 100 words). This information should be submitted to rzhao@um.edu.mo by **March 15, 2019**. The guest editors will review all submitted abstracts and invite potential authors to submit their manuscripts to the special issue for publication consideration.
2. Authors should submit their manuscripts to the guest editors (rzhao@um.edu.mo) for peer review indicating that the submission is for the Special Issue. The submission deadline is **November 15, 2019**.
3. All submitted manuscripts should reflect research and scholarship that has been conducted in an ethical manner. The formatting and word count should carefully follow the guidelines stipulated by the *Journal of Family Violence*. Full-length articles reporting on the collection and analysis of primary data and/or the analysis of secondary data should not exceed 35 double-spaced pages, inclusive of title page, abstract, text, references, tables, figures, and footnotes. Systematic Reviews and meta-analyses should not exceed 40 double-spaced pages and brief reports should not exceed 20 double-spaced pages. All manuscripts will undergo masked peer review.

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