Workshop
Religious Minorities and Pluralism in Asia
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8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Northern Illinois University
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

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Amidst a surge of new conflicts involving religious minorities across Asia and beyond, this workshop offers a valuable opportunity to share research and discuss pedagogical issues with practitioners, college teachers and policy-makers alike. Participants will address key issues pertaining to minority communities in religiously divided societies across Asia from historical, legal, political and social perspectives.

Keynote Address (9:30 AM-10:30AM): Dr. Jacques Bertrand, University of Toronto

Session One (10:30 AM-12:30 PM): Invited speakers will present country cases from Bangladesh, Burma, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, and Sri Lanka among others to comparatively investigate broader questions of diversity, accommodation, and integration, multi-culturalism and pluralism in divided societies.

Session 2 (2:00 PM-3:30 PM): A round-table discussion with area experts who have working and living experiences in various religious communities in the region.

Closing Remarks (3:30 PM-4:00 PM)

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