SS Research Salon

The Beauty of Dyadic Studies in Social Sciences

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Yeung Kin Man Academic Building,
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Abstract
Dyadic studies in social sciences involve two paired members in couples (e.g., husband–wife), family relationships (e.g., mother–child), and other relationships (e.g., student–teacher, patient–doctor, client–counselor, leader–follower). By treating the dyad as the unit of analysis, the actor–partner interdependence model (APIM; Cook & Kenny, 2005) is helpful to depict bidirectional relations from conceptual and statistical perspectives. This talk describes the investigation of dyadic effects of resilience on well-being within elderly husband–wife pairs and the mediating role of spousal support, using the APIM approach. This example suggests that dyadic studies, using the APIM, are promising to examine reciprocal influences in dyadic relationships.

Biosketch
Dr. Nancy Xiaonan Yu is an Associate Professor in health psychology at the Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences, City University of Hong Kong. Her research program has focused on resilience in adversities. Dr. Yu has been investigating the protective effects of resilience in vulnerable populations (e.g., immigrants). In addition, she has applied the community-based participatory research approach to develop and implement culturally sensitive interventions to promote resilience in populations that are experiencing stress.

After the Salon, light lunch with drink will be provided for SS faculty members and research students. Interested participants must make reservation via email (violette.wong@cityu.edu.hk) before 28 January 2019.

All Are Welcome