

THE GENDERED CONTOURS OF NORTH KOREAN MIGRATION: VIOLENCE AND BELONGING IN A HOUSE DIVIDED

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How do militarization and a continuum of violence impact resettled North Koreans' pathways to belonging in South Korea? In this talk, Park draws on his recently published book, *Belonging in a House Divided* (University of California Press, 2023), to chronicle the everyday lives of resettled North Koreans and their experiences with violence, postwar citizenship, and ethnic boundary making. He asks readers to consider why North Korean resettlement in South Korea is a difficult process, despite a shared goal of reunification and the absence of a language barrier.

BELONGING *in a* HOUSE DIVIDED

The Violence of the North Korean Resettlement Process



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