

WOMEN'S ROLES

IN TERRORIST MOVEMENTS

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Most contemporary research on terrorist movements assumes that terrorism is a primarily 'male' activity. However, over the past century in Latin America, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and Europe, revolutionary political movements have accepted and deployed women in numerous important roles.

Drs. Harmon and Holmes-Eber will examine the reasons for incorporating females into underground fighting organizations, and the implications of such participation for redefining and challenging gender roles—both within terrorist organizations and for the larger social and political structures against which the organizations struggle.

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