



New York Partner to hold workshops on religion, conflict, and human rights

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UNAOC Research Network Partner Columbia University's Center for the Study of Democracy, Toleration and religion, will hold several events on religion, conflict, and human rights with various other Columbia partners in the next week.

These include:

- 1) "Religion, Conflict and Accommodation in India," November 4-5, 2011, Knox Hall, Columbia University, New York.** This workshop will examine the history of religion, conflict, and accommodation in India. The two-day discussion will focus on two broad themes: Buddhists' encounter of conventional Vedic religion in ancient India; and exchanges among Saivas, Vaisnavas, and Jains in ancient and medieval South India.
- 2) Sacred Sites Violence: Gujarat and the Challenge of Accountability and Hindu-Muslim Relations, November 9, 2011, Faculty House, Columbia University.** This workshop will examine the aftermath of the Gujarat riots in 2002 and assess the experiences and impact of NGOs engaged in reconciliation work.
- 3) Workshop on Religion and Human Rights Pragmatism: Strategies for promoting rights through dialogue across religions and cultures. November 10-11, 2011. International Affairs Building, Columbia University.** This workshop will focus on strategies for promoting rights through persuasion and dialogue across cultural and religious divides.

More information on these events is at this [website](#).