Title: Korean Masculinity: An Intersectional Perspective

## **Abstract**:

In counseling psychology, researchers have emphasized understanding men and masculinity as an important multicultural competency for clinicians. Although research on psychology of men and masculinity has been productive, recent years saw a wave of studies to better understand experiences of men of color. Intersectionality research has shed light onto experiences of individuals who hold marginalizing identities. Prior research on men of color have often focused on comparisons of discrimination experiences, which led to limitations in capturing the unique experiences of Asian American men. Psychology literature also lacks studies on specific ethnic groups among Asian Americans. Considering such limitations, a recent review of literature by Liu and Wong (2018) argued for a research paradigm (*Intersectional Fusion Paradigm*) that may provide opportunities to deepen our understanding of the unique experiences of Korean men. Using Consensual Qualitative Research (CQR) method, the research team will seek to elucidate the cultural construction of Korean masculinity.