

Hybrid Diversity-Equity-Inclusion (DEI) Public Lecture

“American Academics in Politicized Times”

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B102, Building 2 (changed), Area 1, Senriyama Campus,
Kansai University or online**

For academics, conditions beyond one's control sometimes deprive the precious research opportunities. It may happen when the health of the researcher or close family members fail or encountered with a serious natural disaster. It can happen when the political environment suddenly makes a turnaround, as the current situation of the United States. Denying the shared value of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), the top political leadership is now depriving the opportunities and funding for academic research which should be objectively evaluated based on scientific criteria, independent of politics. The policy change does not only affect starting-level researchers but also established scholars. This may sound like a faraway development, but Japanese students and scholars planning to be engaged with American academic institutions have already been affected by this policy change. Dr. Monica Gaughan, currently Fulbright lecturer at Kansai University, will share her thoughts about this development and we would like to exchange our views as members of the global community of academic institutions.

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