

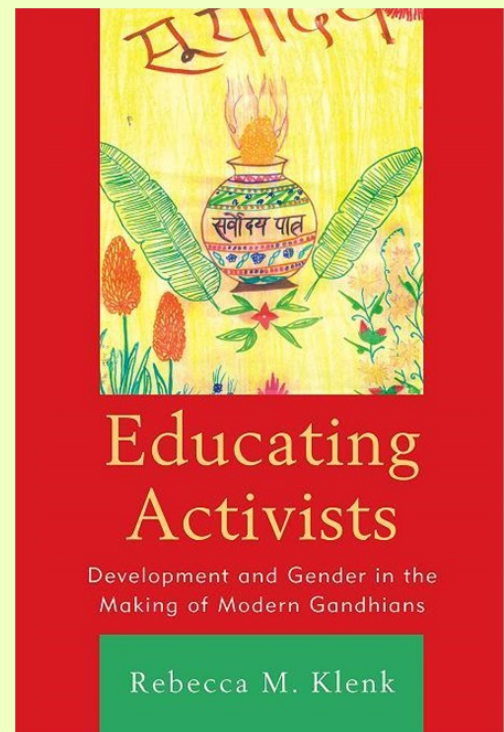
Development, Sustainability and Social Justice in Himalayan India

Dr. Rebecca Klenk

Friday, February 18 11:30-12:45

Haslam Building, Room 530

Dr. Klenk will present findings from her new book, *Educating Activists: Development and Gender in the Making of Modern Gandhians*. Her ethnography shows how rural women accept, refuse, reinterpret, and negotiate development's terms in a quest to improve their own communities. Klenk offers an account of Lakshmi Ashram, a remarkable Gandhian educational initiative for women and girls in Himalayan India. Drawing on extensive fieldwork, *Educating Activists* blends memories and stories with historical research and richly detailed ethnographic analysis to craft a compelling portrait of how women across two generations have engaged with issues of sustainability, poverty, gender equity, autonomy, and progress.



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