

# 臉面在教唆殺妻歷程的心理意涵： 華人臉面理論的應用

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國內殺妻犯行可能涉及華人臉面議題，但其意涵仍待探究。本研究遵循建構主義典範進行敘說探究，邀請一位情境型殺妻犯 B 進行七次訪談；研究結果將其生命歷程分成外遇曝光前、教唆殺妻、期待東山再起等三階段。推測華人臉面思維應深植其自我認同的核心，當 B 妻以外遇報復 B 的婚外情，B 爲了子女而勉力維持家庭結構，以致長期苦於妻子不貞的「性道德臉」損傷；最後的夫妻公開嚴重衝突致其個人顏面盡失，家族臉面亦瞬間崩解，加上友人火上添油，促其憤恨教唆殺妻。B 殺妻因素複雜，雖不宜將臉面崩解視爲單一原因，但多處關鍵歷程可見其作用。

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# **The Psychological Meaning of Face within the Instigation of Intimate Partner Femicide: Application of Chinese Face Theory**

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## **ABSTRACT**

“Face belief” in Chinese society may play a role in intimate partner femicide. However, a fair understanding of its mechanics is lacking. To clarify this, we focused on a perpetrator of Situational Couple Violence (SCV) as research target. We followed constructivism and adopted a narrative method to collect and analyze data. A male perpetrator of homicide with stable mental personality and without any previous criminal record other than this homicide was interviewed seven times. The results were presented in 3 stages of life themes related to the homicide: “pursuit of ‘achievement face’ and protecting one’s ‘sexual face’ before exposure of infidelity”, “face collapse leading to the femicide” and “the rise in expectations for reinstating face”. With regard to the above 3 perspectives, the narrative analysis of the interviewee’s life shows that Chinese face is planted in his core self-identity. Yet, when his wife committed infidelity to avenge the interviewee’s extra-marital affairs, his “sexual moral face” was seriously hurt. However, for the sake of their children’s welfare, he maintained their marriage, which resulted in continual loss of face due to his wife’s infidelity. At the end, a terrible conflict in public caused the collapse of not only his “personal face” but also his “family face”, and finally resulted in the femicide. Although intimate partner femicide is a complex phenomenon which involves other conditions

running parallel, Chinese face was one of the important factors in the interviewee's homicide action.

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