Dartmouth Global China Connection

13W Discussion 2: Sexism in China

Guidelines:

The articles below are intended to provide an introduction to the current issue regarding sexism in China. We encourage you to delve deeper into the topic and the aspects that capture your interest. These discussions should be a fun and relatively stress-free way to learn about current issues regarding sexism in China, but the quality of discussion depends on your efforts! Further research and exploration will allow you to contribute to discussions in a meaningful way.

Please blitz out and share any interesting articles & information you come across!

Suggested starting points:

- Google
- Library
- News websites
- Footnotes of articles that lead to further sources

Articles:

"China's Gender Gap Leaves Millions of Single Men"

http://news.discovery.com/human/life/china-birth-rate-single-men.htm

"China's Preference for Boys Creates Growing Gender Gap"

http://abcnews.go.com/International/chinas-census-shows-growing-gender-gap/story?id=14288216

"China fights gender inequality in the workplace" http://www.neurope.eu/article/china-fights-gender-inequality-workplace

"China Seeks Culture Shift to Close Gender Gap in the Workplace"

http://www.weforum.org/news/china-seeks-culture-shift-close-gender-gap-workplace



Questions to Consider:

- 1. What are some of the deep-rooted aspects of Chinese culture that contribute to sexism in China?
- 2. What effects has this sexism had on the gender gap and marriage in China? Discuss why these effects are serious and any long-term impacts you foresee.
- 3. What effects has this sexism had on the workplace in China? Discuss why these effects are serious and any long-term impacts you foresee.
- 4. Regarding the previously discussed issues, what actions do you think the Chinese government should take to combat the effects of sexism?
- 5. What effect do you think this gender disparity will have on China's future development?

