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Religion is a key aspect of life across Asia. Indeed, Asia has some of the largest concentrated communities of adherents of particular religions, such as Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism. At the same time, traditional religious communities, forms, structures and identities are being influenced and reshaped by the forces of capitalism, secular modernity, sectarian negotiations, and transnationalism. Similarly, Asian diasporic communities balance an adherence to religious traditionalism with an openness to secularism and religious conversion. The Religion section of the Asia series welcomes manuscripts that document and theorize these multifarious changes in religious constituencies and identities.

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By most definitions, Asia is the urban centre of the world. There are almost as many urban dwellers in Asia as there are in the rest of the world combined, and more than half of the world's most populous cities are found in the region. While it is possible to identify shared problems and challenges facing many of these cities in an era of globalization, it is also important to be attentive to Asia's urban diversity. Asia is a site of varied urban forms and phenomena, aspirations and opportunities. The Cities section offers a forum for scholars exploring cultural, economic, environmental, political and social dimensions of diverse cities and urban regions in Asia. This includes studies ranging from ethnographic accounts of specific urban sites to macro-scale analyses of inter-Asian city connections. Studies of particular cities as well as comparative or thematic approaches are welcome.

