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The Role of the Congregation: Religious Identity among Filipinx Sexual Minorities

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Following colonization, Christianity became the most common form of religious expression in the Philippines. The advent of a Christian religious majority has had enduring effects for Filipinx sexual minorities; many experience sexuality-related discrimination in their religious communities, despite seeking to identify with their Christian religious backgrounds. The present research examines how Filipinx youth negotiate the tension between religious and sexual identity in the Canadian context. The findings suggest ways in which the social aspect of religion is important for identity formation among marginalized youth in these Filipino-Canadian religious communities.

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