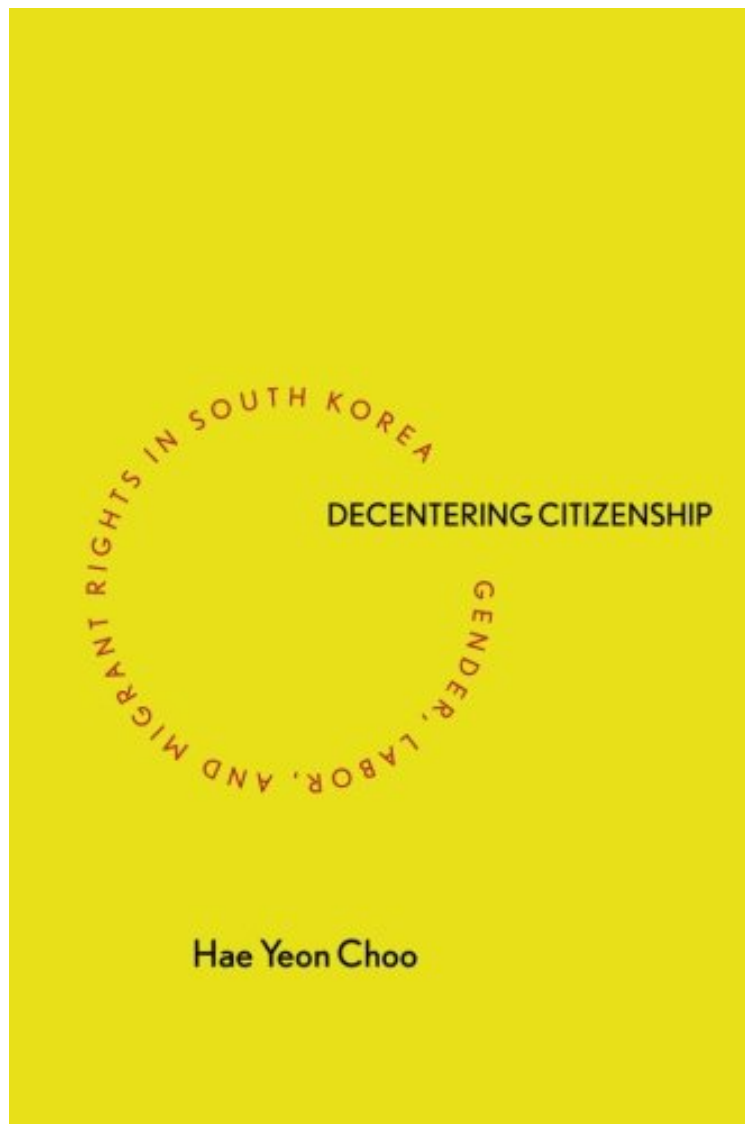


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"As South Koreans wrestle with how to incorporate the growing numbers of foreign workers, marriage migrants, and biracial children, they have had to rethink automatic assumptions about citizenship, national belonging, and Korean identity. In *Decentering Citizenship*, Hae Yeon Choo tackles these important issues through the lens of Filipina migrants residing in South Korea. This rich ethnography is the first to provide such comparative analysis of a fast-growing immigrant population that is reshaping who South Koreans are and what South Korea is. As such, this book should be on the reading list for anyone who wants to better understand the social revolution that is sweeping South Korea today." (Paul Y. Chang *Pacific Affairs*) "With verve and sophistication, Choo captures the plurality of experiences of migrant women in South Korea—their multiple voices, triumphs and trials, and the numerous contradictions they face. *Decentering Citizenship* is at once a fast-paced and engrossing ethnography and an insightful, often brilliant rumination on citizenship, kinship, and human rights." (Namhee Lee, University of California Los Angeles) "This brilliant book examines the timely topic of international migration with an innovative design of comparative research. Choo vividly demonstrates that the political membership of nationhood and the moral community of humanity are reimagined whenever we confront the question of what kinds of foreigners are 'worthy' of being included." (Pei-Chia Lan National Taiwan University) "Decentering Citizenship offers a fascinating comparative portrait of three Filipina migrant groups in South Korea. The book is equally a study of domestic advocates of migrants, and of the important effect they have on migrants' well-being. Choo's groundbreaking work will enjoy a wide readership and deserves to be widely taught in undergraduate classes." (Nancy Abelmann University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) "Decentering Citizenship could be an ideal textbook for courses on international migration and gender at the graduate and undergraduate level" (Pyong Gap Min *Gender Society*) About the Author Hae Yeon Choo is Assistant Professor of Sociology and Affiliated Faculty of the Asian Institute and the Women and Gender Studies Institute at the University of Toronto.