While works on immigrant communities and gender often position immigrant masculinities in relation to dominant white masculine normativity, Desi Hoop Dreams explores the means by which South Asian American men negotiate masculinity in relation to other men in their community, mainstream racializations, and other racialized masculinities. In particular, the talk will examine the ways in which race is negotiated through masculinity with a focus on South Asian American participation in Asian American, South Asian American, Latino, and multi-racial basketball leagues. Through such an exploration, one can decipher the ways in which racializations as “terrorists” and “nerds” are negotiated and mediated through the racialization of black, Latino, and Asian American men.

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