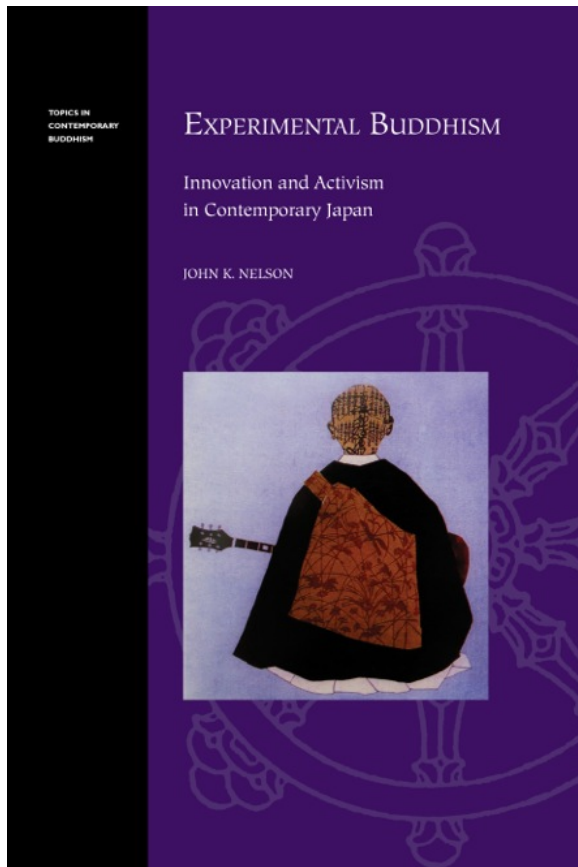


# Japanologie Frankfurt am Main

## Vortrag Prof. Dr. John K. Nelson (University of San Francisco): "Experimental Buddhism in Contemporary Japan"

In Kooperation mit dem Interdisziplinären Zentrum für Ostasienstudien (IZO)



Cover des Buches "Experimental Buddhism. Innovation and Activism in Contemporary Japan"

This illustrated talk highlights the complex tensions and controversies between established religious traditions and rapid social, cultural, and economic change. Based on ethnographic fieldwork and archival research, *Experimental Buddhism* surveys a number of progressive Buddhist priests who are trying to gain greater relevance for their temples in Japanese society. Frequently criticised by more conservative priests, they continue to promote initiatives such as suicide prevention, care for the elderly and homeless, anti-nuclear education, as well as fashion shows held in temples or bars run by priests. The stories and personalities in this presentation will expand understanding about the strategic and "experimental" application of religious resources so as to improve the quality of life in contemporary society.

**Datum:** 28. Mai 2015, 18:00 c.t.

**Ort:** Campus Bockenheim, Juridicum, Raum 717

Die Veranstaltung kann besucht werden von Studierenden **aller Semester** des Faches Japanologie. Die Teilnahme und das Verfassen eines Protokolls werden im Sinne der Studienordnung für den **Erwerb von CP** (Modul J9) angerechnet.

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