

Abstract

Introduction: Identification with all humanity (IWAH) is a superordinate identity related to social justice ideology, intergroup harmony and coalition. The current study aims to investigate the relationship of IWAH to collective action and peace of mind. It studied the potential mediator of IWAH to the outcomes, proposed that IWAH promotes collective action for sexual minority through universalism, compassion, and non-attachment, and promotes peace of mind through compassion and non-attachment.

Method: A total of 541 participants were recruited to complete 3 waves of questionnaires across 1 year. Cross-sectional SEM and longitudinal SEM were both used to explore temporal relationship of variables. Multi-group SEM analysis was used to compare the model for cisgender heterosexual individual (majority group) and LGBTQ+ individual (minority group).

Results: Results showed that IWAH was positively related to universalism, compassion and collective action. Relationship of IWAH to collective was partially explained through universalism. However, the result indicating relationship of IWAH to peace of mind and the mediation effect of compassion and non-attachment was inconsistent in the cross-sectional model and longitudinal model. Furthermore, group was found to moderate IWAH's relation with collective action and peace of mind in longitudinal model.

Discussion: Potential limitation and future studies on IWAH and closer in-group identity are suggested and discussed.

Keywords: Identity, Common Humanity, Social Justice, Peace of Mind, Collective Action