The Anthropology of Citizenship: A Reader
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DESCRIPTION

The Anthropology of Citizenship introduces the theoretical foundations of and cutting edge approaches to citizenship in the contemporary world, in local, national and global contexts. Key readings provide a cross-cultural perspective on citizenship practices, and an individual citizen’s relationship with the state.

• Introduces a range of exciting and cutting edge approaches to citizenship in the contemporary world

• Provides key readings for students and researchers who wish to gain an understanding of citizenship practices, and an individual’s relationship with the state in a global context

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• Explores how citizenship is constructed at different scales and in different spaces

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