



ETHNICITY & NATIONALISM

Ethnicity and nationalism have become pervasive features of the contemporary world, but how far is ethnicity caused by cultural differences, and how much is it in fact dependent on the practical use of, and belief in, these differences?

In **Ethnicity and Nationalism**, THOMAS ERIKSEN demonstrates that, far from being the immutable property of a group, ethnicity is an aspect of social relationships.

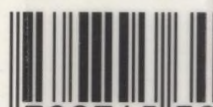
Drawing on a comprehensive range of classic studies and new research in anthropology and sociology, Eriksen examines the relationship between ethnicity, class, gender and nationhood, using a wide variety of examples, including Muslim minorities in European cities, Native American movements, German national identity and labour migrants in South Africa.

A core text for all students of social anthropology, **Ethnicity and Nationalism** provides a broad overview of the key theoretical dimensions and problems of this controversial subject. In the process, Eriksen also demonstrates that a focus on ethnicity and nationalism provides an excellent starting point for an investigation of key problems in contemporary social theory.

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