

Sources on Anthropology of Social Group Identities

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Interdisciplinary studies in anthropology and law (also called "legal anthropology") include the following general subject areas (among others): human rights; the clash of non-western and western cultural beliefs and related legal structures; legal pluralism in multicultural settings; rights of minorities and religious groups; criticisms of racial concepts; rights of indigenous peoples, including land claims and intellectual property rights in their cultural beliefs and knowledge; non-western and alternative methods of dispute or conflict resolution; and analysis of the cultural dynamics at play within western legal systems.

Set forth below is a non-exhaustive list of books and articles that address the related theoretical issue of how social group identities (including culture groups, subcultures, ethnicities, nationalist movements, and other forms of social networks) are created, maintained, and change over time, and the ways in which individuals may subscribe to and participate in multiple social groups and networks.

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Additional Resources

If you are interested in reading further on particular topics, I have also compiled bibliographies of additional print sources and a list of internet resources related to subjects of racism, racialization, social science investigations of legal structures, and social norms. These source lists, with links provided below, are not required readings and are provided only as suggested, additional resources should you be interested.

Sources on Racism, Law, and Social Sciences;

Sources on Anthropology and Law; and

Sources on Social Norms and Law.