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A gem of a book, packed with thoughtful and well-written essays, that brings together an interdisciplinary group of scholars to survey a broad range of topics, theoretical approaches, and methods in the field of international migration. Full of fascinating information and valuable insights, Gold and Nawyn have produced an indispensable resource for students and scholars alike.

?Nancy Foner, Distinguished Professor of Sociology, Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York

International migration is a highly complex issue, but this handbook offers the reader a clear and comprehensive introduction into thinking about this and doing scientific research. The handbook draws together important and diverse writings, mainly but not exclusively by American authors, and provides an essential resource for students of international migration.

?Jan Rath, University of Amsterdam

Patterns of migration change over time. So do patterns of studying them. This impressive and wide-ranging survey of the most up-to-date approaches in the field of migration studies has entries on everything from sexuality to elite migration, to the view from sending states to international adoptions and climate-induced migration. The *Handbook* also examines concepts and methods, from assimilation to transnationalism to comparative approaches. It has something for everyone: smart syntheses of your own specialty and smart useful overviews of those you know less about. This book is a must for every migration scholar's shelf.

?Nancy L. Green, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales

In an age of migration, this *International Handbook of Migration Studies* is a magnificent achievement. The editors have brought together four dozen original essays by leading scholars that illuminate this vast and fascinating field, as rapidly changing as the world on the move it seeks to grasp. Global in scope, innovative in design, with wide-angle multidisciplinary lenses, this timely volume is an essential reference for scholars, students, and informed publics alike.

?Rubén G. Rumbaut, co-author of *Immigrant America: A Portrait*, and *Legacies: The Story of the Immigrant Second Generation*

The Routledge International Handbook of Migration Studies constitutes a current and comprehensive presentation of the challenges of one of the most significant phenomenon of the contemporary world. The reader is introduced in different dimensions of migration and from this perspective the handbook is an excellent tool for scholars with backgrounds in various fields (sociology, economics, anthropology, political science, journalism, psychology and others). The numerous first hand authors, as well as the serious theoretical and empirical evidences presented generate premises for a deeper understanding of the international migration.

? Alin Croitoru, *Social Change Review*

Steven Gold and Stephanie Nawyn have assembled an impressive collection of essays from leading and rising scholars of international migration... The handbook in its entirety would be an especially useful resource for graduate students preparing their field exams and developing research questions and designs, non-specialists seeking an overview of migration studies, and migration specialists who would like to look up from their national dishes to sample from a broader smorgasbord.

? David Scott Fitzgerald, *University of California, San Diego, Contemporary Sociology*

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