

Social Psychology of Prejudice:

*Historical and
Contemporary Issues*

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Social Psychology of Prejudice Conferees



Front row, from left: Chris Crandall (with Charlotte), Larry Bobo, Jennifer Eberhardt, Mark Schaller, Vicki Esses, Tom Pettigrew
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Social Psychology/Prejudice

Prejudice is a fundamental social problem. And, for decades, it has also been a fundamental topic of psychological research. One recent summer in Seattle, fifteen social psychologists met to discuss the past, the present, and the future of psychological inquiry into prejudice. What have we learned? What have we forgotten? Where do we go from here? Based on that NSF-sponsored symposium, this book summarizes important answers to those questions. The contributors take seriously time-honored traditions in the psychological study of prejudice, and also take seriously new innovations that are now at researchers' disposal. These chapters remind us of important but all-too-easily forgotten insights gained from many years of successful research on prejudice; in doing so, they help us maintain a historical perspective on this contemporary field of inquiry. These chapters also identify new theories, new methods, and exciting new ways of digging even more deeply into a topic that is as vital today as it has ever been. This book uniquely connects a distinguished past to a productive present—and to an exciting future.

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