

# THE INTERSECTION BETWEEN POLITICS, ETHNICITY AND CRIME



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Dr. Mellissa Ifill examines the complex historical, political and cultural dynamics underlying crime and violence in multiethnic states. Employing a case study of Guyana, she will argue that while ethnicity is only one part of citizens' identity, it often becomes the constitutive part and, although complex historical, political, and cultural dynamics generate ethnic conflict, such conflict is often evaluated in a manner that is analytically causal and misses the nuances and circumstances under which conflict or violence becomes ethnicized.

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