Finding Mecca In America: American Muslims And Cultural Citizenship

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Toward a Sociology of Global Islam: Revisiting Muslim Ethnicities in. ABSTRACT This dissertation investigates the experience of Muslim identity in the United States. It explores the various encounters between Muslim life and the American political, civic, and cultural environment and the challenges that these encounters pose to Muslim identity. The dissertation examines the experience of Muslim identity in the United States, with a particular focus on the role of American citizenship and the impact of American cultural citizenship. The dissertation is organized into two parts: Part One, titled "American Muslims and Cultural Citizenship", explores the various encounters between Muslim life and the American political, civic, and cultural environment. Part Two, titled "American Muslims and American Citizenship", examines the role of American citizenship and the impact of American cultural citizenship on Muslim identity. The dissertation is based on a qualitative research design, including interviews and observations, and is informed by a critical theory perspective.
