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**Comprehensive Examination Reading List  
Race**

*Note:* a number of the pieces on this list are included in a reader edited by Norman Yetman titled Majority and Minority: The Dynamics of Race and Ethnicity in American Life, 6<sup>th</sup> edition (Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 1999). The items on the list that appear in the reader are so noted. They can be read either in the original or in the reader version.

See also the note at the end of this list identifying those readings that may have particular utility in orienting oneself theoretically to the field.

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*Note:* Students who wish to begin preparations by grounding themselves theoretically within the field may wish to look at the following items, in no particular order, before moving through the rest of the list:

Barth  
 Bobo and Tuan, Ch. 1  
 Bonacich (both items)  
 Cornell and Hartmann, Ch. 2-4  
 Doane  
 Gordon  
 Nagel  
 Omi and Winant  
 Portes and Zhou  
 Young

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