

The Integration of Immigrants into American Society

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Dr. Richard Alba is Distinguished professor of sociology at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. His teaching and research have taken on a comparative focus, encompassing the immigration societies of North America and Western Europe. His books include *Ethnic Identity: The Transformation of White America* (1990); *Italian Americans: Into the Twilight of Ethnicity* (1985); *Remaking the American Mainstream: Assimilation and Contemporary Immigration* (2003), co-written with Victor Nee; *Blurring the Color Line: The New Chance for a More Integrated America* (2010); and *The Next Generation: Immigrant Youth in a Comparative Perspective* (co-edited with Mary Waters)(2011). He is a former elected president of the Eastern Sociological Society (1997-98) and vice president of the American Sociological Association (2000-01). In 2008, he received the Award for a Distinguished Career of Scholarship, bestowed by the International Migration section of the American Sociological Association. Dr. Alba holds a B.A. from Columbia College, and a Ph.D. from Columbia University, both in Sociology.

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