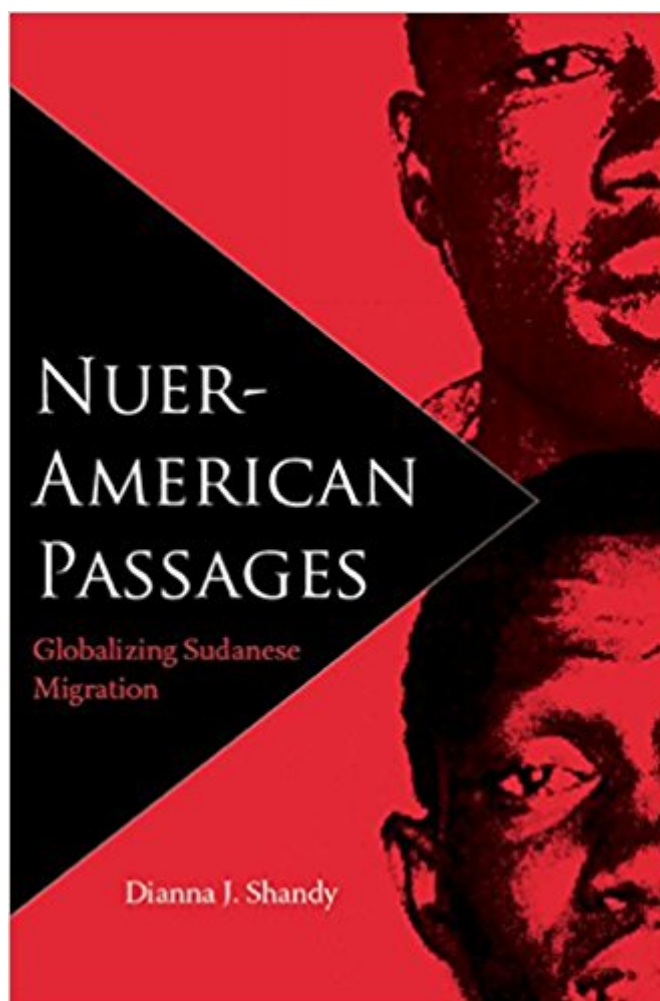




Ebook Directory
the best source of ebook

The book was found

Nuer-American Passages: Globalizing Sudanese Migration (New World Diasporas)



Synopsis

Traditionally a community of cattle farmers in Sudan, the Nuer are one of anthropology's most celebrated peoples. Half a century after social anthropologist Sir Edward E. Evans-Pritchard introduced the Nuer people to the global consciousness, they began arriving in the United States as refugees. Approximately 25,000 settled in such cities as Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Nashville, Tennessee, and Saint Paul, Minnesota. In this study of their migration from a war-torn society to North America, Shandy asks how the diaspora Nuer, especially Nuer-Americans, deal with changing kin obligations and privileges to maintain their Nuerness. What parts of a people's culture are left behind when they move to another country? How much of the home culture and coping strategies continue to aid refugees trying to fit into a new society? These questions are not only crucial for understanding how best to view refugees, but all kinds of global migrants. Assumptions that refugees fleeing to Western countries come from "stone-age" societies do not recognize the ways Africans employ social networks and technology in their quest for better lives for themselves and their families. Shandy argues that flawed representations fail to credit African populations with linkages between "home" and the diaspora, overlooking important realities in how these ties shape the lives of people in both settings. Refugees are not hopeless beneficiaries of the communities who are receiving them, but rather, social actors and active agents in producing culture and shaping their own futures. Drawing on research from various locales throughout the United States and in Ethiopia, Shandy's analysis of international social networks captures the sophistication of 21st-century global migrants and the ways they juggle identities while pursuing strategies that simultaneously look forward and preserve tradition. This book contributes significantly to the growing field of migration in general and African refugees in particular, whose movements have been largely undocumented. Written with a diverse readership in mind—including professionals working with migrant populations—it will be a welcome reference for scholars of African studies, globalization theory, cultural anthropology, migration, peace and conflict, and humanitarian studies.

Book Information

Series: New World Diasporas

Hardcover: 224 pages

Publisher: University Press of Florida; 1st edition (April 8, 2007)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0813030471

ISBN-13: 978-0813030470

Product Dimensions: 6.5 x 0.9 x 9.2 inches

Shipping Weight: 15.2 ounces

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars 1 customer review

Best Sellers Rank: #1,110,465 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #82 in Books > History > Africa > Sudan #303 in Books > History > Africa > East Africa #629 in Books > Textbooks > Humanities > History > Africa

Customer Reviews

"A powerful ethnography, it highlights the migratory patterns of the Nuer people whose lives and worldviews have inspired generations of anthropologists all over the world.... A welcome contribution to the documentation of one of the most interesting political migrations today." -- Rogaia Mustafa Abusharaf

A powerful ethnography, it highlights the migratory patterns of the Nuer people whose lives and worldviews have inspired generations of anthropologists all over the world. . . . A welcome contribution to the documentation of one of the most interesting political migrations today.â•--Rogaia Mustafa Abusharaf, senior fellow, Pembroke Center, Brown University

Traditionally a community of cattle farmers in Sudan, the Nuer are one of anthropology's most celebrated peoples. Half a century after social anthropologist Sir Edward E. Evans-Pritchard introduced the Nuer people to the global consciousness, they began arriving in the United States as refugees. Approximately 25,000 settled in such cities as Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Nashville, Tennessee, and Saint Paul, Minnesota. In this study of their migration from a war-torn society to North America, Shandy asks how the diaspora Nuer, especially Nuer-Americans, deal with changing kin obligations and privileges to maintain their Nuerness. What parts of a people's culture are left behind when they move to another country? How much of the home culture and coping strategies continue to aid refugees trying to fit into a new society? These questions are not only crucial for understanding how best to view refugees, but all kinds of global migrants. Assumptions that refugees fleeing to Western countries come from stone-age societies do not recognize the ways Africans employ social networks and technology in their quest for better lives for themselves and their families. Shandy argues that flawed representations fail to credit African populations with linkages between home and the diaspora, overlooking important realities in how these ties shape the lives of people in both settings. Refugees are not hopeless

beneficiaries of the communities who are receiving them, but rather, social actors and active agents in producing culture and shaping their own futures. Drawing on research from various locales throughout the United States and in Ethiopia, Shandyâ™s analysis of international social networks captures the sophistication of 21st-century global migrants and the ways they juggle identities while pursuing strategies that simultaneously look forward and preserve tradition. This book contributes significantly to the growing field of migration in general and African refugees in particular, whose movements have been largely undocumented. Written with a diverse readership in mind--including professionals working with migrant populations--it will be a welcome reference for scholars of African studies, globalization theory, cultural anthropology, migration, peace and conflict, and humanitarian studies.

very good like a new book

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Nuer-American Passages: Globalizing Sudanese Migration (New World Diasporas) Nuer Journeys, Nuer Lives: Sudanese Refugees in Minnesota Migration in the 21st Century: How Will Globalization and Climate Change Affect Migration and Settlement? (Investigating Human Migration & Settlement) Curious Hieroglyphick Bible: or, Select Passages in the Old and New Testaments, Represented with Emblematical Figures, for the Amusement of Youth. or, ... Passages in the Old and New Testaments,... Haiti and the Haitian Diaspora in the Wider Caribbean (New World Diasporas) Trance and Modernity in the Southern Caribbean: African and Hindu Popular Religions in Trinidad and Tobago (New World Diasporas) Nineteenth Century Migration to America (Children's True Stories: Migration) Unaccompanied Children in European Migration and Asylum Practices: In Whose Best Interests? (Routledge Research in Asylum, Migration and Refugee Law) Critical Social Issues in American Education: Democracy and Meaning in a Globalizing World (Sociocultural, Political, and Historical Studies in Education) Disparate Diasporas: Identity and Politics in an African-Nicaraguan Community (New Interpretations of Latin America Series) Afro-Cuban Diasporas in the Atlantic World (Rochester Studies in African History and the Diaspora) The Nuer: A Description of the Modes of Livelihood and Political Institutions of a Nilotic People Nuer Dilemmas: Coping with Money, War, and the State Dancing Tango: Passionate Encounters in a Globalizing World Re-Imagining Offshore Finance: Market-Dominant Small Jurisdictions in a Globalizing Financial World Cultural Anthropology in a Globalizing World (4th Edition) Dangerous Trade: Histories of Industrial Hazard across a Globalizing World Impossible Desires: Queer Diasporas and South Asian Public Cultures (Perverse Modernities: A Series Edited by Jack Halberstam and Lisa

Lowe) A Black Corps d'Elite: An Egyptian Sudanese Conscript Battalion with the French Army in Mexico, 1863-1867, and its Survivors in Subsequent African History The First Sudanese Civil War: Africans, Arabs, and Israelis in the Southern Sudan, 1955-1972

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)