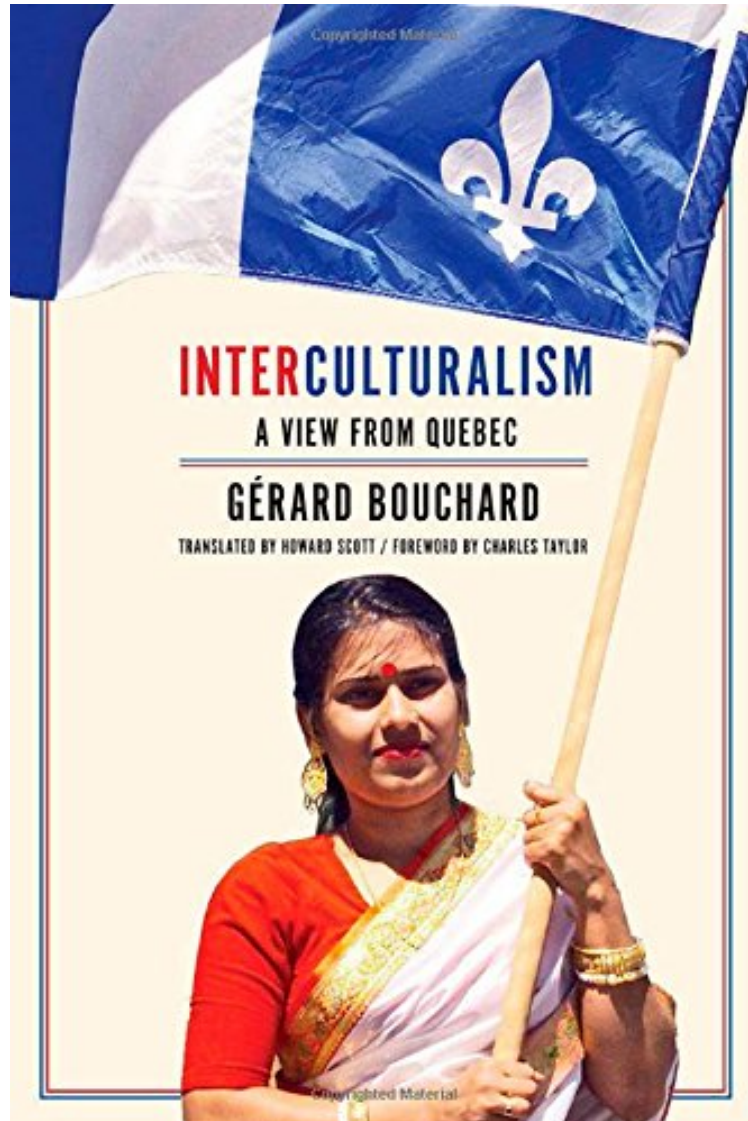


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Accommodating ethnic diversity is a major challenge for all democratic nations and a topic that has attracted a great deal of attention in the last few decades. Within Quebec, a new approach has emerged that seeks a balance between the

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This book deserves to be read widely. In other words, this is an essential reading for anyone interested in a key question facing both Quebec and Canada. (James L. Kennedy *British Journal of Canadian History* vol 30:01:2017) *Interculturalism* is a serious work of public scholarship, addressing a hot topic in Quebec from a distinctive standpoint. Bouchard makes a passionate case for interculturalism as a sensible solution to the problems of ethnic diversity, an issue that concerns all developed countries. (Frank Lechner, Department of Sociology, Emory University) Interesting, well-crafted, and accessible to a wide audience, *Interculturalism* makes an important contribution to the current debates on the integration of ethnocultural and religious diversity, particularly in Quebec but also in the rest of Canada and in other Western countries. (Elke Winter, School of Sociological and Anthropological Studies, University of Ottawa) About the Author Grard Bouchard is a professor in the Department of Human Sciences at the Université du Québec à Chicoutimi. He is a past winner of the Governor General's Award as well as the John A. Macdonald Prize. Howard Scott is a Montreal translator and past winner of the Governor General's Award for translation.