



# The Intimacy of Violence: Women and Social Identity in Papua New Guinea

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## This course reading...

- Draws from long-term field research in rural Papua New Guinea to explore the legacy of gendered and sexual violence.
- Explores the lived experiences of women living within Papua New Guinea's "environment of violence".
- Explores the ideals and roles of "traditional" and "transformational" masculinity and femininity.
- Is ideal reading for students of Cultural Anthropology, Gender Studies, Sociology, Politics, History, and Colonialism.

## What can the lived experiences of women in Papua New Guinea who experience sexual and gendered violence tell us about social identity and transformation?

Drawing from long-term field research in rural Papua New Guinea, author **Alison Dundon** reflects on the widespread violence perpetrated against women, buttressed by practices and perspectives consistent with specific ideals of masculinity and femininity. Weaving the stories of women experiencing this environment of violence throughout, **The Intimacy of Violence** focuses on the legacy of gendered aggression through the lens of colonialism, mobility, and institutional structures.

Exploring the themes of gender and sexual violence, challenging institutional structures, and social identity, this book is ideal reading for students of Cultural Anthropology, Gender Studies, Sociology, Politics, History, and Colonialism.

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