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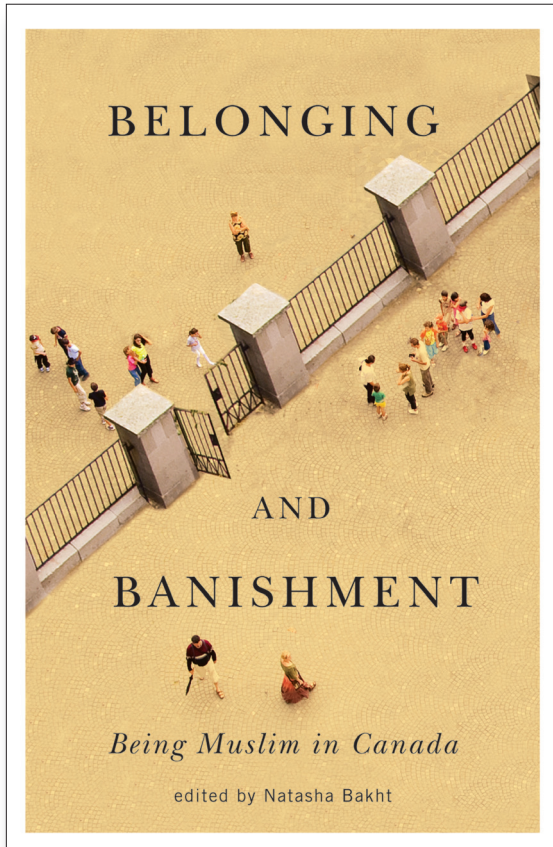
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A variety of Canadian Muslim voices address vital issues related to the question of living as Muslims in the Canadian social, legal, and political spaces.

What issues of integration and identity face young Muslims growing up in this country? Is there, in fact, a single Muslim identity? Has the Canadian government, under pressure due to the “war against terror,” failed to safeguard the rights of young Muslims? How does Canada’s tolerance of diverse cultures extend to the case of Muslims? What are the implications of the veiled voting legislation? Is worship in Islam compatible with the practice of science?

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