

Ecology of Representation: The Relationship Between Policy Networks and Ethnic Enclaves.

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Part of a thesis examining the role of ethnic enclaves in municipal agenda setting.

- ❖ Does the social construct of an issue determine collective action between groups of otherness and ethnic enclaves?
- ❖ What positions within municipal policy systems can ethnic enclaves highlight ethnic representation?
- ❖ Do Ethnic enclaves reduce or enhance the effectiveness of collaboration which is vital to policy networks?

Benchmarks of Social Capital

❖ Bridging

- Inter-ethnic communication
- Collective action
- Resource flow

❖ Bonding

- Intra-ethnic communication
- Collective identity
- Restricts access to resources

At Issue:

Assessing the level of Willingness to Collaborate.

- ❖ Quantifying social Capital
 - Does a negative response to questions mean the absence of social capital or:
 - Does a negative response indicate a deficit in social capital ?
 - If that is the case then the starting point may not be at 0.
 - Independent/dependant variables.
- ❖ Social Capital Deficit.
 - Trustworthiness as a measure of a deficit?

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