

Title: Nativism in the United States

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Nativism is an ideology where individuals who identify as native-born members of a nation-state possess opposition and hate towards non-natives immigrating to the country. The United States' history with nativism is complex, and has origins dating back to as early as the 1700s. The rise of this ideology is influenced by periods of heavy influxes of immigrants, and is also motivated by dehumanizing rhetoric from political parties and restrictive immigration policies. Nativism continues to be embedded in American culture today, and has found a holding in the current political climate. Although the United States has made progress with regards to civil rights for minority groups over the past centuries, nativism and its social and political implications continue to persist and negatively affect Americans today. Throughout my research paper, I seek to analyze how nativism affects people of color in America, and how social beliefs and political policies are able to fuel or hinder the growth of Nativism in the United States.

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