Record Nr. UNINA9910468000603321 Autore Byrd W. Carson Titolo Poison in the Ivy: Race Relations and the Reproduction of Inequality on Elite College Campuses / / W. Carson Byrd, W. Carson Byrd Pubbl/distr/stampa New Brunswick, NJ:,: Rutgers University Press,, [2017] ©2017 **ISBN** 0-8135-8938-X 0-8135-8939-8 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource Collana The American Campus Disciplina 378.1/982996073 Elite (Social sciences) - United States Soggetti College integration - United States Universities and colleges - Social aspects - United States College students - United States - Attitudes Racism in higher education - United States Electronic books. United States Race relations Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Front matter -- CONTENTS -- PREFACE -- 1 EASING INTO VIEWS OF Nota di contenuto RACE AND INEQUALITY IN EVERYDAY LIFE ON CAMPUS -- 2 LIFE BEFORE COLLEGE -- 3 MIXING IT UP ON CAMPUS -- 4 GRADUATING RACIAL IDEOLOGIES -- 5 WHEN THINGS FALL APART -- 6 INTERACTING FUTURES AND THE REPRODUCTION OF RACIAL INEQUALITY --APPENDIX: METHODOLOGY -- NOTES -- REFERENCES -- INDEX --ABOUT THE AUTHOR Sommario/riassunto The world of elite campuses is one of rarified social circles, as well as prestigious educational opportunities. W. Carson Byrd studied twentyeight of the most selective colleges and universities in the United States to see whether elite students' social interactions with each other might influence their racial beliefs in a positive way, since many of these graduates will eventually hold leadership positions in society. He found

that students at these universities believed in the success of the 'best'

and the brightest,' leading them to situate differences in race and status around issues of merit and individual effort. Poison in the Ivy challenges popular beliefs about the importance of cross-racial interactions as an antidote to racism in the increasingly diverse United States. He shows that it is the context and framing of such interactions on college campuses that plays an important role in shaping students' beliefs about race and inequality in everyday life for the future political and professional leaders of the nation. Poison in the Ivy is an eye-opening look at race on elite college campuses, and offers lessons for anyone involved in modern American higher education.