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This book examines the migration, integration and transnational activity of overseas Americans – American migrants – in France, Germany and the UK. It examines the reasons for their migration, introduces the concept of 'accidental migrant' and explores the question of overseas Americans' integration and identity formation.
