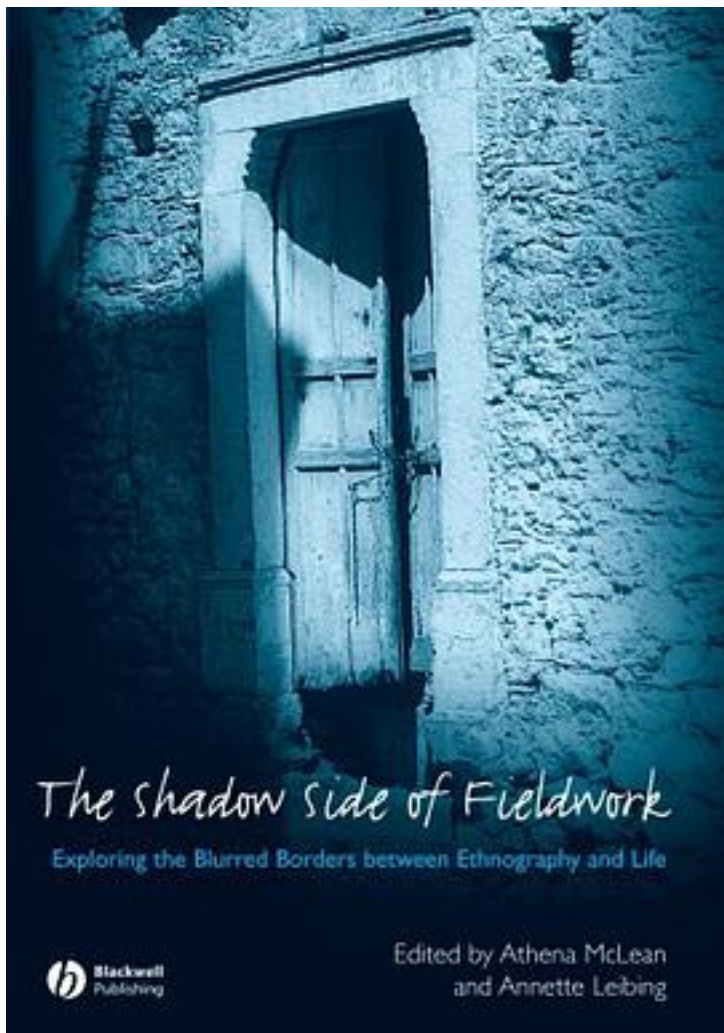


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unacknowledged aspects of ethnographic fieldwork encounters that nevertheless shape the resulting knowledge and texts. Addressing these invisible, elusive, unspoken or mysterious elements introduces a distinctive rigor and responsibility to ethnographic research.

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Explores the value, and limitations, of addressing the personal in ethnographic research

Includes a critical discussion of the anthropologist's self in the field

Introduces imaginative rigor to ethnographic research to heighten confidence in anthropological knowledge

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