



## Stain Removal: Ethics and Race (Hardback)

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Oxford University Press Inc, United States, 2016. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Martin Luther King, Jr. famously expressed his dream that his children would one day not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character. In his vision, a person's ethical qualities would be understood in spite of his or her body rather than through it. In general, we think that a person's actions should not be judged according to their physical features, such as race. In fact, we see evaluations based on a subject's race or other bodily traits as illegitimate. But *Stain Removal* argues that our perception of a person's actions always entails judgments of the body. It therefore challenges modern moral theory's premise that a subject's deeds and not its bodily traits count as primary objects of evaluation. Drawing on modern and pre-modern accounts of how ethical knowledge originates, from the Biblical story of Ham, to Socrates, Immanuel Kant, Alain Locke, Frantz Fanon, Langston Hughes, Onora O'Neill, and Louis Althusser, the book suggests that our recognition of both a person and that person's deeds demands an evaluative context...



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