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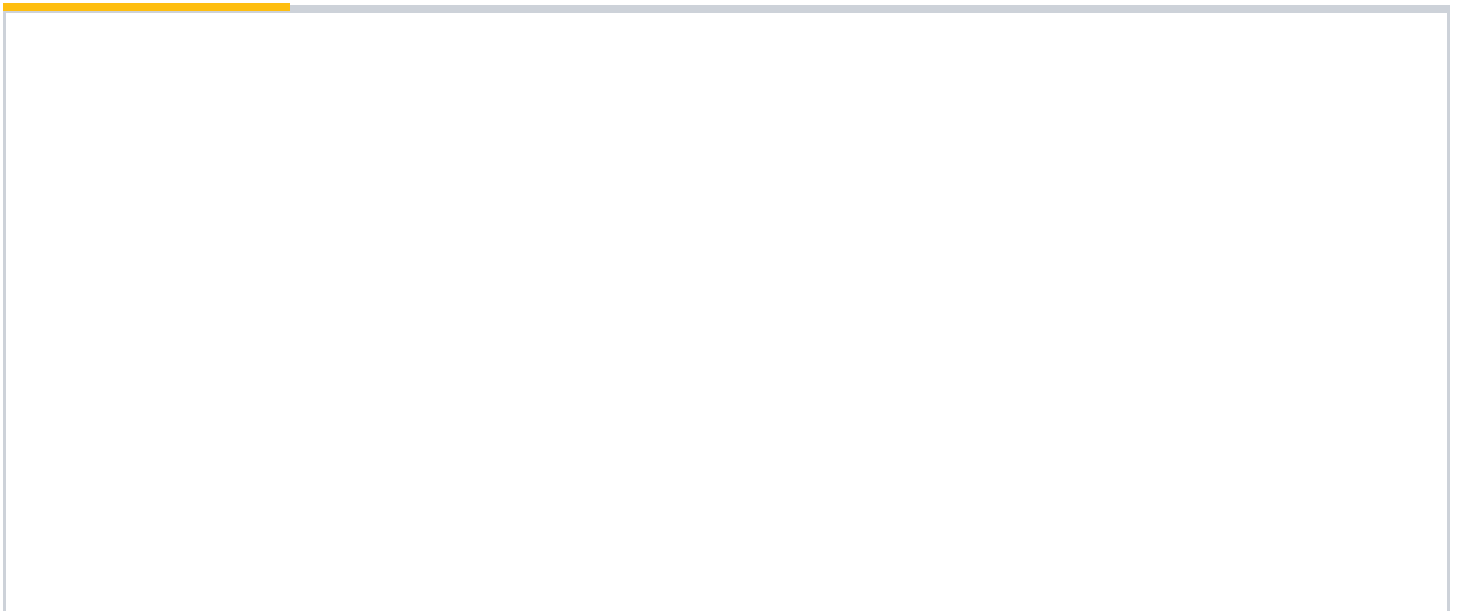
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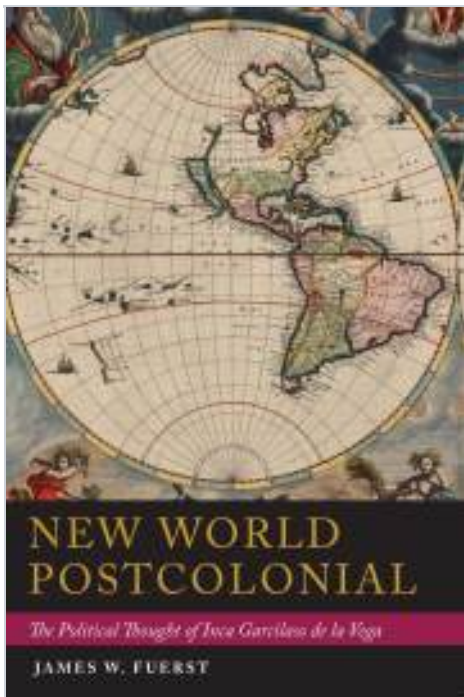


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### **SUMMARY**

*New World Postcolonial* presents the first full-length study to treat both parts of Inca Garcilaso de la Vega's foundational text *Royal Commentaries of the Incas* as a seminal work of political thought in the formation of the early Americas and the early-modern period. It is also among a handful of studies to explore the *Commentaries* as a "mestizo rhetoric," written to subtly address both native Andean readers and Hispano-Europeans. As Fuerst demonstrates, by blending both Andean and European discourses to represent Incan history, Garcilaso further proposed restoring indigenous sovereignty by adopting a new mestizo governing body via the political alliance and intermarriage of *encomenderos* (estate holders) and Incas. This policy extended to education, missionary practices, and others, reflecting Garcilaso's hopes of forming a peaceful coexistence among native Andeans, mestizos, and first-generation Spaniards.



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