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AFRICA

Conservation Research in Uganda's Forests: A Review of Site History, Research, and Use of Research in Uganda's Forest Parks and Budongo Forest Reserve
William Olupot and Andrew J. Plumptre (Wildlife Conservation Society (Uganda Program), Kampala, Uganda)
In series: Wildlife Protection, Destruction and Extinction
2012. 185 pp.
Case: 978-1-60876-577-5. $98.00.
Soft: 978-1-62257-263-2. $59.00.
In recent decades, there has been increased interest in understanding ecosystems in order to be able to manage and conserve them. Yet examples of how research directly supports conservation are rare.
Protected area managers and policy makers need scientific information from protected areas for policy development and to effectively devise, revise, and implement management strategies. Researchers seek a clear understanding of what types of research can directly support conservation efforts to guide them in the design of such projects. A variety of perspectives of what constitutes ‘conservation’ or ‘applied’ wildlife research may exist, and indeed conservation priorities do differ between sites so that ultimately, what we describe here is from one perspective and designing projects that directly support site conservation depends on a prior understanding of issues at the site.
This book is intended to encourage thinking about what constitutes conservation research to be able to better develop projects that directly support conservation. The aim of this book is to support research that directly benefits conservation by reviewing applied research and providing examples in which it has been used for conservation purposes.

William Olupot, Luke Parry, Michelle Gunnness and Andrew J. Plumptre (Wildlife Conservation Society (Uganda Program), Kampala, Uganda)
In series: Wildlife Protection, Destruction and Extinction
2012. 150 pp.
Case: 978-1-60876-575-1. $98.00.
In recent decades, there has been increased interest in applying science to the management of ecosystems. However, designing research programs that directly support conservation is never straightforward especially for research intended to support protected area conservation.
A good understanding of the intensity of threats, their ramifications, and the impacts of conservation is central to conservation. This book and its complement for forests, is intended to increase understanding of what constitutes conservation research in protected areas and how it is applied.

Globalization and English in Africa: Evidence from Nigerian Hip-Hop
Akinnmade Timothy Akande (Department of English, Albert-Ludwigs University, Remparstraße, Freiburg, Germany)
In series: Languages and Linguistics
Case: 978-1-62081-452-9. $150.00.
This book focuses on the sociolinguistics of English in relation to globalization. The pattern of migration and linguistic flows that have become more prominent in this century seem to teach us one major lesson: that we need a sociolinguistics that places less emphasis on territorialisration of English but accounts for the complex situations, patterns of mobility of people and challenges that have come with globalization. This book addresses the spread of English through hip-hop to other parts of the world and how other varieties of English around the world especially African American Vernacular English and Jamaican English have influenced Nigerian English through this genre of music.

Humanitarian Crisis and Response in the Horn of Africa
Charley J. Newsome and Hellen I. Herron
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-540-8. $95.00.
As a result of the worst drought in 60 years, regional conflicts, and conflict within states, a humanitarian emergency of massive proportion is unfolding in the Horn of Africa region with more than 13.3 million people affected, 750,000 of whom need food assistance in the near future to avoid death. Somalia has been hardest hit so far, creating population displacement within its borders and a refugee crisis of nearly 1 million people in the region, primarily in Kenya and Ethiopia. The international community is responding, and the humanitarian needs are expected to rise and will likely demand sustained attention. This book provides an overview of the current status of the crisis, a summary of the background on the region, a framework for the international and humanitarian response, and an analysis of some of the operational challenges.

Kenya: Political, Social and Environmental Issues
James W. Adoyo and Cole I. Wangai
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012. 194 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-085-9. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-097-2. $95.00.
In this book, the authors examine Kenya's current political, social and environmental issues. Topics discussed in this compilation include the mitigation and impacts of forest degradation in Kenya; fish biomanipulation of Kenyan lakes; the political and social dimensions associated with biotechnology regulation in Kenya; the developmentally disabled population in Kenya; status of Kenya's environmental management and protection challenges; and economic development and food security in Kenya.

Libya Liberation and Post Qadhafi Trans
Brenton L. Kerr and Meredith I. Cantu
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012. 121 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-615-3. $47.00.
After more than 40 years of authoritarian repression and eight months of armed conflict, fundamental political change has come to Libya. The killing of Muammar al Qadhafi on October 20th and the declaration of Libya's liberation by the interim Transitional National Council on October 23rd marked the end of the Libyan people's armed struggle and the formal beginning of the country's transition to a new political order. This book explores how Libya will face key questions
about basic terms for transitional justice, a new constitutional order, political participation, and Libyan foreign policy. Security challenges, significant investment needs, and vigorous political debates are now emerging.

Oils and Fats for the Future. A Case Study: Safou (Daecryodes edulis) from the Congo basin Countries in Africa
Thomas Silou (University of Brazzaville, Congo, Africa)
In series: Botanical Research and Practices
In series: Food Science and Technology
2012. 142 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-736-5. $47.00.
In the last ten years the production and consumption of the safou, the fruit of Daecryodes edulis (Bursaracées) have seen a remarkable growth in central Africa. In 1980 a network was set up dedicated essentially to the commercial development of the safou, called the African Safou Network (ASANET). Its commercialisation has spread beyond national boundaries, and has become international throughout the sub-region. All this activity has allowed significant advances in physical, chemical and biological knowledge concerning this plant and its fruit.

Small Town Geographies in Africa: Experiences from South Africa and Elsewhere
Ronnie Donaldson (University of Stellenbosch, South Africa), Lochner Marais (University of the Free State, South Africa)
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62100-001-3. $215.00.
Urban geographic inquiry has for decades been biased towards a focus on larger cities and metropolitan areas, both in the developed and developing world contexts. Small towns are generally depicted as rural, and many people do not even consider the term urban to be applicable to small towns. The editors of this collection invited scholars from around the world to contribute chapters that explore the developmental challenges of small cities and towns empirically, theoretically and historically in specific urban contexts in Africa.

South Sudan: Challenges and Opportunities for Africa's New Nation
Paul F. Hartley and Ronald Bland
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Soft: 978-1-61942-276-6. $47.00.
In January 2011, South Sudan held a referendum to decide between unity or independence from the central government of Sudan as called for by the Comprehensive Peace Agreement that ended the country's decades-long civil war in 2005. According to the South Sudan Referendum Commission (SSRC), 98.8% of the votes cast were in favor of separation. In February 2011, Sudanese President Omar Hassan al-Bashir officially accepted the referendum result, as did the United Nations, the African Union, the European Union, the United States, and other countries. On July 9, 2011, South Sudan officially declared its independence. This new book examines the opportunities and challenges for Africa's newest country; The Republic of South Sudan.

The Lord's Resistance Army: U.S. Response to a Brutal Central African Group
Robert L. Wright and James Morris
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Soft: 978-1-61942-736-5. $47.00.
This book provides an overview of The Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), led by Joseph Kony. The LRA is a small, dispersed armed group in central Africa that originated 24 years ago in Uganda. It has drawn the attention of Members of Congress and other U.S. policymakers due to its infliction of widespread human suffering and its potential threat to regional stability. The group is infamous for its brutal attacks on civilians and mass abductions of children. Despite its Ugandan origins, the LRA currently operates in remote regions of the Democratic Republic of Congo, the Central African Republic, and South Sudan. When the LRA was based in northern Uganda, the United States provided humanitarian relief and aid for reconciliation and recovery in the war-torn region. As the LRA has moved across central Africa, the United States has taken a more active role in counteracting its impact.

The Urbanization Process in Cameroon: Process, Patterns and Implications
Lawrence Fombe Fon, Sounders Nguh Balgah
(University of Buea Cameroon, Faculty of Social and Management Sciences, Department of Geography, Buea, SW Region, Cameroon)
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Soft: 978-1-61942-472-2. $95.00.
This book begins with an introduction to urban studies and urbanization. It provides an analysis of the patterns of urbanization which are essential for an understanding of the internal structure and development of towns in Cameroon. Furthermore, the spatial distribution and growth strength of towns in Cameroon is examined followed by discussions on urban hierarchy and the sub-urbanization process of the country since 1976. The focus turns to the features linked to urbanization in Cameroon and the growth prospects of selected towns in the country. This book concludes with a discussion on sustainable urbanization in Cameroon in order to address some of the concerns of the development goals for the millennium.

Tunisia: Economic, Political and Social Issues
Matheux Pusatieri and Jihed Cannamela
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-157-8. $95.00.
In early 2011, a rapid and radical transformation started in Tunisia. After the desperate act of self-immolation of a young, unemployed graduate student, a massive wave of protests sparked the country. After several days of violent clashes between government forces and protesters, the broad public opposition managed to break down the government of Ben Ali. While the country may have embarked on a
path towards more democracy, uncertainty about Tunisia's future remains and many problems have yet to be solved. This book presents current research in the study of Tunisia's economic, political and social issues.

**Why Real Estate Ownership Security Cannot be Assured Via Land Registration in Sub-Saharan Africa**

*Raymond T. Abdulai and Daniel Domeher (School of the Built Environment, Liverpool John Moores University, Liverpool, UK)*

In series: *African Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

2012. 120 pp.

Case: 978-1-61942-668-9. $75.00.

e-book: 978-1-61942-687-0. $75.00.

It is often argued that land registration is the answer to insecurity of real estate ownership in sub-Saharan Africa. This argument is based on the presumption that there is ownership security in the advanced world because every real estate is registered. However, a lot of studies conducted in the developing world have established that ownership security cannot be assured via land registration. This book critically analyzes the theoretical principles that underpin land registration systems in order to provide more insights as to why land registration cannot guarantee ownership security. It also examines the nexus between security of ownership and investment.

**AGING**

**Abuse, Exploitation, and Neglect of Seniors and Incapacitated Adults**

*Sam F. Buecker and Evan Fink*

In series: *Aging Issues, Health and Financial Alternatives*


Each day, news reports cite instances of older adults across the United States being abused, denied needed care, or financially exploited, often by those they depend on. The most recent study of the extent of elder abuse estimated that 14.1 percent of noninstitutional older adults had experienced physical, psychological, or sexual abuse; neglect; or financial exploitation in the past year. Elder abuse has also been associated with negative effects on the victims' health and longevity. This book contains information on existing estimates of the extent of elder abuse and their quality; factors associated with elder abuse and characteristics and challenges of state Adult Protective Services for addressing elder abuse.

**Aging, Gender and Crime**

*Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire)*

In series: *Social Perspectives of Aging*

Edited by: *Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)*

2012. 82 pp.


This book explores the issue of crime and its relationship to gender and aging. This is a forgotten area of analysis in disciplines of criminology, gerontology and even in Feminist theorizing. This book begins by exploring the relationships between crime, aging and victimization. The book then moves to assess the main issues associated with understanding imprisonment for older people. The book focuses its attention on gender and its relationship to mental health and institutional psychiatric care. The final part of the book explores the issue of theorizing aging and relationship to crime.

**China, Aging and Theory**

*Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK)*

In series: *Social Perspectives of Aging*

Edited by: *Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)*


Soft: 978-1-62100-915-3. $47.00.

e-book: 978-1-62100-924-5. $47.00.

This book provides a theoretical critique and analysis of the development and consolidation of power in China as it applies to aging. In seeking to deal with this increased proportion of elderly people, Chinese state policy seeks to introduce ways of reducing the fiscal burden of aging upon the state, and indeed upon those many families who have been markedly affected by the modernization process. This book, however, fundamentally questions the assumption that populational policies in the Chinese state are unbiased in their social practices with older people. The book explores new topics of aging in China grounded in and drawing from developments in social theory, (ie), Foucauldian theory and postmodernism.

**Continuing Care Retirement Communities: Risks and Benefits**

*Phillip G. Moore and Liam F. Miller*

In series: *Retirement Issues, Plans and Lifestyles*

In series: *Aging Issues, Health and Financial Alternatives*


Soft: 978-1-62100-945-0. $47.00.

e-book: 978-1-62100-958-0. $47.00.

This book examines the risks and benefits of Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRC). CCRCs can benefit older Americans by allowing them to move among and through independent living, assisted living, and skilled nursing care in one community. They offer a range of contract types and fees that are designed to provide long-term care and transfer different degrees of the risk of
Global Dynamics of Aging, The
Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK) and SheyHung Chen (Pace University, US)
In series: Social Perspectives of Aging
Edited by: Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)
Case: 978-1-62100-936-8. $140.00.
This book explores the issue of global aging and its impact on different nation states across the world. It is in three parts: the first part sets the scene about the challenges of global aging; part two utilizes a number of case studies examining how different nation states manage social issues associated with aging; the final part explores the impact of global aging on some of the continents such as Europe and the Americas. The book is by its very nature global as it brings researchers from all parts of the world to give the reader a very rich comparative book.

Profiles of Older Americans 2010
Gerald O. Jackson and Oscar F. Garcia
In series: Aging Issues, Health and Financial Alternatives
Case: 978-1-62100-946-7. $125.00.
Americans age 65 and over are an important and growing segment of our population. Many federal agencies provide data on aspects of older Americans’ lives, but it can be difficult to fit the pieces together. Thus, it has become increasingly important for policymakers and the general public to have an accessible, easy-to-understand portrait that shows how older Americans are faring. This new book provides a comprehensive picture of our older population’s health and well-being.

Retirement Income: Considerations for Employees and Policymakers
David J. Harkin
In series: Aging Issues, Health and Financial Alternatives
In series: Retirement Issues, Plans and Lifestyles
Case: 978-1-62100-606-0. $125.00.
As life expectancy increases, the risk that retirees will outlive their assets is a growing challenge. The shift from defined benefit (DB) pension plans to defined contribution (DC) plans also increases the responsibility for workers and retirees to make difficult decisions and manage their pension and other financial assets so that they have income throughout retirement. This book explores financial experts recommendations and strategies to navigate the difficult choices retirees will have to make, and which often depend on an individual’s circumstances, such as anticipated expenses, income level, health and each household’s tolerance for risks, such as investment and longevity risk.

Agriculture
Agricultural Issues and Policies. Volume 1
Lindsey K. Watson
Case: 978-1-61942-972-4. $125.00.
e-book: 978-1-61122-276-0. $125.00.
Agriculture is one of the defining elements of a nation. This series consists of analyses on a variety of agricultural issues including (but not limited to) developments, policies, programs, trade, trends and economics. (Topics will be seen from a U.S. perspective, but not to the exclusion of other countries particularly when the discussion has an international scope.)

Agricultural Labor in the United States: Considerations and Select Research
Carroll T. Hart and Virginia M. Armstrong
In series: Agriculture Issues and Policies 2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-471-1. $110.00.
This book explores the possible economic implications of large shifts in the supply of foreign-born, hired farm labor that could result from substantial changes in U.S. immigration laws or policies. Hired labor is an important input to U.S. agricultural production, accounting for about 17 percent of variable production expenses and about 40 percent of such expenses for fruit, vegetables, and nursery products. Over the past 15 years, roughly half of the hired laborers employed in U.S. crop agriculture have lacked the immigration status needed to work legally in the United States. Thus, changes in immigration laws or policies could lead to markedly different economic outcomes in the agricultural sector and the market for hired farm labor. The same is generally true for other economic sectors that rely on large numbers of unauthorized workers.

Black Farmers in America: Historical Perspective, Cooperatives and the Pigford Cases
Richard L. Cohen and Clifford Horton
In series: Agriculture Issues and Policies
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
2012. 76 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-250-1. $52.00.
Farming as a family-owned and independent business has been an important part of the social and economic development of the United States. But for many black farmers it was more often than not a losing struggle. The end of slavery was followed by about 100 years of racial discrimination in the South that limited, although it did not entirely prevent, opportunities for black farmers to acquire land. Enforcement of civil rights in the 1950s-60s removed many overt discriminatory barriers, although by that time increased technology had significantly reduced the demand for farmers in agricultural production. Nevertheless, cooperatives, while having some limited application in earlier decades, emerged as a significant force for black farmers during the civil rights movement. This book examines the historical background of black farmers in America, with a focus on cooperatives and the Pigford cases.

Brazilian Agricultural Competitiveness and Trade
Lisa M. Griffin and Robert J. Sanders
In series: Agriculture Issues and Policies
In series: Trade Issues, Policies and Laws
2013.
This book describes and analyzes competitive factors in Brazil affecting U.S. and Brazilian sales of agricultural goods, including grains, soybeans, and meats, in third-country markets. It provides an overview of Brazil's agricultural imports, exports, consumption, and production during 2006–11; an overview of Brazilian government programs and regulations relating to agricultural production and exports; an analysis of the growth of Brazilian agribusiness firms and their impact on global supply chains; a description of competitive factors affecting Brazil's agricultural sector; and special focus chapters surveying the soybean, grains, poultry, beef, and pork sectors, with an emphasis on important third-country markets where U.S. and Brazilian exports directly compete.

**Feed Market Dynamics and U.S. Livestock Implications**

*Aaron Stewart and Keith Gray*

In series: *Agriculture Issues and Policies*

2012. 95 pp.

Soft: 978-1-61942-272-8. $47.00.

This book provides a review of the current feed market dynamics including the major emerging issues and their implications for the U.S. livestock sector and Congress and background information on the market structure of the U.S. feed grain sector.

**Global Agriculture: Projections to 2020 and U.S. Trade Trends**

*Christopher R. Fisher and Wade P. Ellis*

In series: *Agriculture Issues and Policies*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*


Case: 978-1-61942-859-1. $125.00.

This book provides projections for the agricultural sector through 2020. Projections cover agricultural commodities, agricultural trade, and aggregate indicators of the sector, such as farm income and food prices. The projections are based on specific assumptions about macroeconomic conditions, policy, weather and international developments, with no domestic or external shocks to global agricultural markets. Provisions of current law are assumed to remain in effect through the projection period. The projections are one representative scenario for the agricultural sector for the next decade.

**ANIMAL SCIENCE**

**Gray Wolves and the Endangered Species Act**

*Chase Ewing and Roger H. Cooley*

In series: *Wildlife Protection, Destruction and Extinction*

In series: *Animal Science, Issues and Professions*


Soft: 978-1-61942-476-0. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-482-1. $47.00.

Second only to humans in adapting to climate extremes, gray wolves once ranged from coast to coast and from Alaska to Mexico in North America. By the early 20th century, government-sponsored predator control programs and declines in prey brought gray wolves to near extinction in 48 states. This new book examines the Endangered Species Act as it applies to gray wolves, with a focus on the gray wolf population, recovery, and biology in the United States today.
Asian Migration Policy: South, Southeast and East Asia  
Ashan Ulah (American University in Cairo, CMRS, Ne Cairo, Egypt), Mizanur Rahman (National University of Singapore (NUS))  
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues  
2012.  
Case: 978-1-62257-020-1. $175.00.  
This book includes chapters that investigate the development of international migration policy in major emigrant countries in Asia; and that in today’s highly mobile world, migration has become an increasingly complex area of governance, inextricably interlinked with other key policy areas including economic and social development, national security, human rights, public health regional stability and inter-country cooperation. Role of institutions in facilitating or de-facilitating migration, the potential impact of environmental degradation on population displacement are key contents of the book. This book recommends that migration policy be aligned in a way so as to incorporate migrants’ rights. Migrants, wherever they move on and whatever their status is must not be stripped of their human rights. Due to the fact that migrants, especially female migrants are more vulnerable at the destination point to multiple abuses than at their original location, migration policy has to take this into account.

Australia, Japan and Southeast Asia: Early Post-War Initiatives in Regional Diplomacy  
David Walton (University of Western Sydney, Australia)  
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues  
Case: 978-1-61470-811-7. $140.00.  
Japan has loomed large in post-war Australian foreign and economic policies. At the regional level, the relationship with Japan has become since the 1960s Australia’s longest, arguably most important and trouble-free bilateral relationship. The rapid improvement in bilateral relations by 1965, especially given the level of general hostility and suspicion towards Japan in Australia that had existed immediately after the Pacific War, represented a remarkable shift in policy thinking in Canberra. Yet surprisingly little has been written about the political dimension of the relationship and in particular, the level of dialogue between Australia and Japan from 1952 to 1965 on regional matters. This book examines the relationship between Australia, Japan and Southeast Asia in relation to early post-war initiatives in regional diplomacy.

Burma (Myanmar): Developments and United States’ Interests  
Jesse F. Gordon and Leonard Dixon  
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues  
2012.  
Case: 978-1-62257-341-7. $135.00.  
Current U.S. policy towards Burma (Myanmar) can be characterized as the balancing of bilateral engagement and an assortment of political and economic sanctions, an approach sometimes referred to as “pragmatic engagement.” In addition, the Obama Administration is attempting to convince other nations to adopt a similar policy towards Burma. The stated intent of U.S. policy is to persuade and/or pressure Burma’s military junta, the State Peace and Development Council (SPDC), to release all political prisoners from detention and transfer power to a representative, democratically elected civilian government that will respect the human rights of the people of Burma, including its ethnic minorities. This book explores new developmental change in Burma with a focus on parliamentary by-elections; Burma’s political prisoners; and U.S. policy and sanctions.

Capital Market and Rating Agencies in Asia: Structuring a Credit Risk Rating Model  
Yoshitaka Kurossawa (Nihon University, Japan)  
In series: Asian Economic and Political Issues  
Case: 978-1-61942-121-9. $140.00.  
“Credit Rating” originated in the USA has spread out to the world since the 1980s. Credit risk is a risk that a borrower either through bonds or bank loans bears a possibility of being unable to pay interest and principal repayments in accordance with its agreement. Credit Rating influences not only corporate bonds and structured finance, but sovereign countries such as Greek economy, Japan’s government bonds and even emerging country’s economic performance. This book focuses on the activities of credit rating agencies in Asia of ten countries other than Japan including China, Korea, India, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Uzbekistan.

Central Asia: Regional Affairs and U.S. Interests and Policies  
Justin Morse and Brian I. Howe  
In series: Asian Economic and Political Issues  
In series: Russia, China and Eurasia: Social, Historical and Cultural Issues  
Case: 978-1-62081-275-4. $135.00.  
U.S. policy toward the Central Asian states has aimed at facilitating their cooperation with U.S. and NATO stabilization efforts in Afghanistan and their efforts to combat terrorism, proliferation, and trafficking in arms, drugs, and persons. Other U.S. objectives have included promoting free markets, democartization, human rights, energy development, and the forging of East-West and Central Asian-South Asian trade links. Such policies aim to help the states become what various U.S. administrations have considered to be responsible members of the international community rather to degenerate into xenophobic, extremist, and anti-Western regimes that contribute to wider regional conflict and instability. This book examines the recent developments in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan with a focus on the emerging importance of the U.S.- Central Asia partnership.

Hong Kong Today and Since the Handover of 1997  
Kay T. Ritcher and Johnson B. Merril  
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues  
In series: China in the 21st Century  
2012. 91 pp.  
Soft: 978-1-62100-995-5. $47.00.  
e-book: 978-1-61942-023-6. $47.00.  
This book explores Hong Kong today and since the People’s Republic of China (China) resumed sovereignty over Hong Kong on July 1, 1997, an event frequently referred to as the “Handover”. Discussed are the prospects for democracy in Hong Kong and the 2012 election reforms; the political and economic climates; the civil liberties of the people of Hong Kong and the recent social and cultural trends.

India: Domestic Policies, Foreign Relations and Cooperation with the U.S  
Johnson G. Pryor and Irene Mobley  
In series: Global Political Studies
South Asia emerged in the 21st century as increasingly vital to core U.S. foreign policy interests. India, the region's dominant actor with more than one billion citizens, is often characterized as a nascent great power and "indispensable partner" of the United States, one that many analysts view as a potential counterweight to China's growing clout. Since 2004, Washington and New Delhi have been pursuing a "strategic partnership" based on shared values and apparently convergent geopolitical interests. Numerous economic, security, and global initiatives, including plans for civilian nuclear cooperation, are underway. This book examines India's domestic policies and issues, strategic dynamics and cooperation with the U.S.

Korean Migration to the Wealthy West
Daniel Schwekendiek (University of California, Berkeley, CA)
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Case: 978-1-61470-359-3. $140.00.
This book represents the first meta-analysis of living standards of Koreans in the West by primarily drawing from a number of comprehensive statistical and ethnographic surveys recently conducted among Korean migrants and Korean adoptees. Introductions to human welfare concepts and the emergence of Asian stereotypes are presented in addition to the historical overview of Korean migration. Also discussed are statistical indications of Korean diaspora around the globe. Most importantly, the major aspects of life for Korean diaspora in the wealthy West are compellingly explored, including its demographic, social, economic, political, religious, educational, linguistic, physical, psychological and cultural states are analyzed. The two primary destinations in the Western Hemisphere used for reference are the United States and Germany.

Life Sciences of the Asia Pacific Region
Bandit Chumworathayi (Khon Kaen University)
In series: Public Health in the 21st Century
Case: 978-1-61470-117-0. $140.00.
This book presents current research in all areas of biomedical, pharmaceutical and public health sciences in the Asia Pacific region. The scope is wide-ranging, including descriptive and analytical, laboratory and clinical, pharmacological and public health, preventive and therapeutic, epidemiology and health education, and also any bioinformation-related issues. Topics discussed include cervical cancer screening in Thailand; efficacy of medical education on abnormal uterine bleeding; cervical cancer prevention research implementation; the relationship between sleep disturbance and body mass index the causes of metabolic syndrome.

Mongolia: Profiles, Foreign Relations and U.S. Interests
Jamey J.L. Vang and Isaias F. Noel
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-654-2. $110.00.
This book provides an overview and discussion of the sparsely populated young democracy of Mongolia, which is located in a remote part of Asia, sandwiched between two powerful large neighbors, China and Russia. It made its transition to democracy peacefully in 1990, after nearly 70 years as a Soviet satellite state. Congress has shown a strong interest in Mongolia's development since, through the funding of assistance programs, ratification of a bilateral investment treaty, legislation to extend permanent normal trade relations, and passage of six resolutions commending Mongolia's progress and supporting strong U.S.-Mongolia relations. Discussed are Mongolia's democratic development, economic issues and engagement with the world.

North Korea: Foreign Relations and Economic Ties
Petr G. Lasserson
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62100-333-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-400-4. $95.00.
This book explores current foreign relations and economic ties with North Korea. Topics discussed in this compilation include foreign assistance to North Korea including energy aid and food assistance; China-North Korea relations including PRC objectives and policy issues for the United States; the legislative basis for U.S. economic sanctions; imports from North Korea including existing rules, implications of the KORUS FTA and the Kaesong Industrial Complex and non-governmental organizations' (NGOs) activities in North Korea.

North Korea: Nuclear Weapons and the Diplomacy Debate
Brian N. Thompson
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
North Korea has been among the most vexing and persistent problems in U.S. foreign policy in the post-Cold War period. The United States has never had formal diplomatic relations with North Korea. Negotiations over North Korea's nuclear weapons program have consumed the past three U.S. administrations, even as some analysts anticipated a collapse of the isolated authoritarian regime. This book provides background information on the negotiations over North Korea's nuclear weapons program that began in the early 1990s under the Clinton Administration. Although negotiations have reached some key agreements that lay out deals for aid and recognition to North Korea in exchange for denuclearization, major problems with implementation have persisted. With talks suspended since 2009, concern about proliferation to other actors has grown.

Politics and Economics of Northern and Western Asia
Felix Chin
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61470-460-7. $185.00.
This book presents new developments in the politics and economics of Northern and Western Asia. Topics discussed include Iran's nuclear program and Tehran's compliance with international obligations; the United Arab Emirates Nuclear Program and proposed U.S. nuclear cooperation; politics, elections and benchmarks in Iraq; private security contractors in Iraq and Afghanistan; U.S. relations with Qatar, Lebanon and the Palestinians; U.S. security assistance to the Palestinian authority and U.S. foreign aid to Israel.

Politics and Economics of South, Southeastern and Central Asia
Felix Chin
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
This book presents new developments in the politics and economics of South, Southeastern and Central Asia. Topics discussed include how enterprise risk management (ERM) could enhance shareholders' wealth; the current state of the ERM implementation in Malaysia; household food expenditures in Central Asia; developments in Taiwan-U.S. relations; a temporal case-based procedure for cancellation forecasting; regional developments and implications for U.S. interests concerning Central Asia; U.S. relations with the Association of Southeast Asian nations (ASEAN); Japan-U.S. relations and China's political system.

South Korea: Economic, Political and Social Issues
Abel L. Hines and Darrin O. Mullins
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
In series: Global Political Studies
Case: 978-1-61942-377-0. $95.00.
In this book, the authors have gathered and presented topical research in the study of the economic, political and social issues facing South Korea today. Topics discussed include the adoption of information and communication technology (ICT) in South Korea; labor market policy on non-regular employment in South Korea; the elderly population and South Korea's demographic dilemma; U.S.-South Korea relations and the role, purpose, and results of the Kaesong Industrial Complex (KIC).

Thailand: Economic, Political and Social Issues. Volume 2
Randle C. Zebioli
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012. 194 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-855-3. $95.00.
This book examines the economic, political and social issues facing Thailand today. The authors present topical research including an examination of the waste treatment system in metropolitan Bangkok; the competitive behavior of commercial banks in Thailand; visual impairment and quality of life issues amongst elderly persons living in northeast Thailand; exchange rate volatility and the demand for money in Thailand; S-curve dynamics of commodity trade between Thailand and the U.S.; the post-Asian financial crisis experience in Thailand; and insurgency in the Muslim changwat of Thailand.

Transformation of Asia in a Global Changing Environment, The
Bernadette Andreosso-O’Callaghan (University of Limerick, Limerick, Ireland) Peter Herrmann (University College Cork, County Cork, Ireland)
In series: Global Economic Studies
In series: Asian Economic and Political Issues
Case: 978-1-61470-873-5. $150.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-919-0. $150.00.
The current global environment is profoundly marked by an economic crisis that started manifesting itself most startlingly with the collapse of the US Lehman Brothers bank in the Autumn 2008, and that, at the time of writing, still does not show any signs of abating. It is, therefore, a crisis which suggests a turning point, or a radical break, with the past. This book proposes to study the current economic global settings with reference to two meanings of the word crisis, and to analyse the extent to which the current crisis might lead to a (profound) transformation of the world (economic) system, and in particular of the Asian system.

Vietnam: Economic, Political and Social Issues
Ph n Cam
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
In series: Asian Economic and Political Issues
2012.
Case: 978-1-60456-460-0. $150.00.
Vietnam is the easternmost country on the Indochina Peninsula in Southeast Asia. It is bordered by China to the north, Laos to the northwest, and Cambodia to the southwest. On the country's east coast lies the South China Sea. With a population of over 85 million, Vietnam is the 13th most populous country in the world. The country is listed among the "Next Eleven" economies; according to government figures, GDP growth was 8.17% in 2006, the second fastest growth rate among countries in East Asia and the fastest in Southeast Asia. Late 2007, the ministry of finance said the GDP growth was estimated to hit a ten-year high record at 8.44% in 2007.

Business
Bernanke and Greenspan: A Decade of Speeches from Jackson Hole, Wyoming
Roy F. Anderson and Kenneth Thompson
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Soft: 978-1-62100-912-2. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-951-1. $47.00.
The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City at Jackson Hole, Wyoming, organizes yearly conferences on the long-term economic growth and financial crisis of the United States. This book has compiled a decade of speeches held at these conferences by the chairmen: Bernanke and Greenspan.

Business Jet Industry: Structure and Competition
Richard J. Claudio and Brent Canterbury
In series: Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship
In series: Transportation Issues, Policies and R&D
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-647-0. $195.00.
This book describes and analyzes factors shaping the competitiveness of the U.S. business jet industry during 2006-11, as well as the industry's structure worldwide. The United States has been the leading player in the industry since its inception in the 1960s. Three of the six global business jet producers are headquartered in the United States, while the other producers maintain at least one U.S.-based production activity. However, competition is strong, frequent cutting-edge updates are necessary, and demand is cyclical. During the recent economic downturn, deliveries dropped 57 percent. This decline largely reflected customers' lower profits and the scarcity of credit, which especially weighed on potential buyers. U.S. industry officials also indicated that sales and developments of business jets were affected by the availability of financing, continued investment in research and development to maintain innovation capability, and the timely...
Affecting entrepreneurial incentives, risk research to provide insights into the economy of entrepreneurship. In summary, this book draws on international principal factor markets. Furthermore, conflicts at firm development, taking into account its interaction with the four behavioural/psychological/demographic factors affecting are considered. The remaining chapters analyze empirically some of the managerial level taking and performance. The book begins with a conceptual theoretical analysis of the psychology, production impact and global trends of competitiveness in the business and economic spectrum. Topics discussed include the cost of economic and environmental integration between the EU and Turkey; impact of social networks in firm competition and cooperation. These and other important issues are thoroughly examined in this book. How often, and why, do firms in Canada reset their prices? The book is a unique collection of recent research on monetary policy. Various critical issues related to monetary policy are investigated in this book. How often, and why, do firms in Canada reset their prices? How does monetary policy in Japan, the United States, and the United Kingdom influence inflation expectations? What would the policy interest rates have been if the European Central Bank were to set the rates of individual member countries by responding to each member country’s economic conditions? What is the monetary transmission mechanism in Papua New Guinea? What is the monetary transmission mechanism in Bulgaria under the currency board? Has monetary policy in China contributed to a decline in inflation and output volatility? These and other important issues are thoroughly examined in this book.

**Knowledge Management Maturity in Law Firm Business**

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In series: *Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship*

Case: 978-1-62081-153-5. $85.00.  
Knowledge management (KM) is introduced to help companies create, share, and use knowledge effectively. Organizational theorists have for example emphasized that information and knowledge acquired by one part of an organization must be communicated speedily to other parts. This book applies the knowledge-based view of the firm as its main theoretical perspective. The knowledge-based view is part of the resource-based view of the firm, which views the firm as a collection of productive resources. The knowledge-based view considers knowledge as the critical input in production of legal services in the law firm. Knowledge is the primary source of value of the firm.

**Labor Markets: Dynamics, Trends and Economic Impact**

*Samir Amine (University of Quebec, Quebec, Canada)*

In series: *Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World*

Case: 978-1-61470-825-4. $140.00.  
This book focuses on the views of the NAIRU (Non-Accelerating Inflation Rate of Unemployment) concept. It introduces unemployment in economic growth models. It presents empirical studies which analyze and discuss the labor market evolution in several countries and regions such as the European Union and the United States. The unemployment benefits and its effects on unemployment in the United States is also evaluated. An empirical study is presented which analyzes the evolution of regional labor market dynamics in Taiwan.

**Monetary Policy: Roles, Forecasting and Effects**

*Yasuo Nishiyama (School of Business, Woodbury University, Burbank, CA)*

In series: *Progress in International Economics Research*

Case: 978-1-61942-181-3. $150.00.  
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Multilateral Development Banks: U.S. Policies and Contributions
*Gregory F. Smith and Timothy D. Ross*
In series: *Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World*
Soft: 978-1-62100-930-6, $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-954-2, $47.00.
The multilateral development banks (MDBs) include the World Bank and four smaller regional development banks: the African Development Bank (AfDB), the Asian Development Bank (AsDB), the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). The United States is a member of each of the MDBs. This book analyzes how the United States establishes policies towards the multilateral development banks (MDBs) and identifies ways by which Congress can shape U.S. policy and influence the activities of the banks themselves.

**National Export Initiative and Strategy of the United States**
*James E. Zimmer*
In series: *America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues*
Case: 978-1-62100-335-9, $195.00.
Exporting is good for American business, American workers and American jobs. That is why President Obama set the goal of doubling U.S. exports in five years in his State of the Union address in January 2010, as well as why the Obama Administration is committed to working with U.S. companies to help American-made goods and services succeed in the global market. The National Export Initiative (NEI) is a key component of the President's plan to help the United States transition from the legacy of the most severe financial and economic crisis in generations to a sustained recovery. At a time when Americans are saving more and consuming less, exports can help to create the jobs needed to bring unemployment down and help to assure a strong and durable recovery. This book lays out the comprehensive plan the Export Promotion Cabinet has developed to help the U.S. double its exports.

*Murray Victor Hunter (University Malaysia Perlis, Perlis, Malaysia)*
In series: *Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship*
Case: 978-1-61470-822-3, $295.00.

Today, entrepreneurship is one of the most written about topics in the field of business. This book attempts to bring the concept of opportunity into mainstream discussion and consideration by presenting a meta-theory which dissects all the elements of opportunity, so this phenomenon can be better understood. This book considers how opportunity is closely linked with our society’s development, and how innovations today will lay the foundation of further opportunities in the future. A meta-theory is finally presented as a framework of opportunity where the reader can clearly see the individual elements and how they are interrelated to make up any potential opportunity.

*Murray Victor Hunter (University Malaysia Perlis, Perlis, Malaysia)*
In series: *Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship*
Case: 978-1-61470-824-7, $215.00.

Today, entrepreneurship is one of the most written about topics in the field of business. This book attempts to bring the concept of opportunity into mainstream discussion and consideration by presenting a meta-theory which dissects all the elements of opportunity, so this phenomenon can be better understood. This book considers how opportunity is closely linked with our society’s development, and how innovations today will lay the foundation of further opportunities in the future. A meta-theory is finally presented as a framework of opportunity where the reader can clearly see the individual elements and how they are interrelated to make up any potential opportunity.

Private and Public Sector Workers: Select Characteristics
*Frederick Jacobs and Luther Harvey*
In series: *Government Procedures and Operations*
Soft: 978-1-61942-322-0, $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-334-3, $47.00.

An issue for Congress and state and local governments is whether the pay and benefits of public workers are comparable to those of workers in the private sector. To deal with budget deficits, many policymakers are looking at the pay and benefits of public sector employees as a way to reduce government spending. This book provides a comparison of selected characteristics, including age, education, and occupation, of public and private sector workers.

Public-Private Partnerships on Pacific Coasts
*Borislav Grahovac (Vancouver, Canada)*
In series: *Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World*
Case: 978-1-61942-253-7, $150.00.
This book presents a new approach to the public sector of the economy through the presentation of various issues relating to public-private partnerships in different economic systems.

Small Business Administration HUBZone Program: Discussion and Debate
*Bradley Powers and Kyle Simons*
In series: *Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World*
The Small Business Administration (SBA) administers several programs to support small businesses, including the Historically Underutilized Business Zone Empowerment Contracting (HUBZone) program. The HUBZone program is a small business federal contracting assistance program “whose primary objective is job creation and increasing capital investment in distressed communities. It provides participating small businesses located in areas with low income, high poverty rates, or high unemployment rates with contracting opportunities in the form of “set-asides,” sole-source awards, and price-evaluation preferences. This book examines the arguments presented both for and against targeting assistance to geographic areas within specified characteristics, as opposed to providing assistance to people or businesses with specified characteristics and discusses the HUBZone program’s structure and operations.

Small Business Assistance: Training and Investment Programs
Patrick J. Walker
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
In series: Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship
2012. 95 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62100-707-4. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-711-1. $47.00.
The Small Business Administration (SBA) has provided “technical and managerial aides to small-business concerns, by advising and counseling on matters in connection with government procurement and on policies, principles and practices of good management” since it began operations in 1953. Initially, the SBA provided its own small business management and technical assistance training programs. However, over time, the SBA has relied increasingly on third parties to provide that training. This new book examines the historical development of federal small business management and technical assistance training programs; describes their current structures, operations, and budgets and assesses their administration and oversight, and the measures used to determine their effectiveness.

Small Business Considerations, Economics and Research. Volume 1
Evan C. Lund and Jasen D. Wright
In series: Small Business Considerations, Economics and Research
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
Case: 978-1-62100-776-0. $95.00.
For some small businesses, the security of their information, systems, and networks might not be a high priority, but for their customers, employees, and trading partners it is very important. The term Small Enterprise (or Small Organization) is sometimes used for this same category of business or organization. A small enterprise/organization may also be a nonprofit organization. This book explores the relationship between employee turnover and firm size as it relates to compensation using the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth (NLSY). This book also identifies and fills several gaps in the understanding of the retirement savings behavior of business owners and the self-employed.

Small Business Considerations, Economics and Research. Volume 2
Peter R. Bennett and Margaret O. Myers
In series: Small Business Considerations, Economics and Research
This series examines issues and economic matters particular to small businesses. The term Small Enterprise (or Small Organization) is sometimes used for this same category of business or organization. A small enterprise/organization may also be a nonprofit organization. This volume covers several topics including: the current law and economic justification of small business tax benefits; the poverty alleviation aspect of entrepreneurship through microenterprise development; the tool and die industry’s contribution to U.S. manufacturing and federal policy considerations; the Hollings Manufacturing Partnership (MEP) program of regional centers that assist smaller, U.S.-based manufacturing companies in identifying and adopting new technologies; the role of small firms in the labor market; the SBA Surety Bond Guarantee Program; and the SBA’s definitions of small business guide.

System Thinking in the Control of Organizational and Technical Problems
In series: Management Science - Theory and Applications
2012. 188 pp.
Case: 978-1-61470-809-4. $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-838-4. $75.00.
The term “systems thinking” generates from systems theory, in particular the theory of living systems, which appeared in cybernetics and computer sciences in the 1940s and 1950s. Systemic view is the point of view with which the world is understood in terms of relationship and integration. This book presents the results of long-term research of Georgian scientists in the field of automated information management systems and automated databases. The management efficiency depends on the management theory, initial information adequacy and managerial mechanisms of corporative systems.

The Small Business Lending Fund
Joshua A. Bell and Carl M. Richardson
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
In series: Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship
Case: 978-1-62257-212-0. $110.00.
This book examines the Small Business Lending Fund, with a focus on the supply and demand for small business loans. Congressional interest in small businesses reflects, in part, concerns about economic growth and unemployment. Small businesses, defined as having fewer than 500 employees, have played an important role in net employment
growth during previous economic recoveries. However, recent data show that net employment growth at small businesses is not increasing at the same rate as in previous economic recoveries. Some have argued that current economic conditions make it imperative that the federal government provide additional resources to assist small businesses in acquiring capital necessary to start, continue, or expand operations and create jobs. Others worry about the long-term adverse economic effects of spending programs that increase the federal deficit.

Workplaces: Safety, Social Implications and Expectations
Brandon R. Odom and Bonnie Witt
In series: Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship
In series: Safety and Risk in Society
Soft: 978-1-62081-269-3. $69.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of the safety and social issues in the workplace. Topics discussed include the organizational factors influencing the return to work process for injured workers; bullying in the workplace and organizational safety; the evaluation of a drug-free workplace program; improving the ergonomics of the workplace to enhance productivity and safety; and building effective relationships in the workplace.

CHILDREN

Behavioral Disorders in Children: Ecosystemic Psychodynamic Interventions within the Family and School Context
Elias E. Kourkoutas (University of Crete)
In series: Children’s Issues, Laws and Programs
2012. 201 pp.
Case: 978-1-61470-718-9. $140.00.
This book aims to present an extensive review of the available research evidence regarding children with behavioral problems, together with a synthesis of new theoretical and epistemological models whose purpose is to examine and address critical issues within the school and family context. The key elements that characterize the intrapsychic and interpersonal functioning, as well as the family dynamics of these children, are presented analytically from a developmental and transactional perspective. Additionally, the risk and protective factors related to schools and academic inclusion of children with behavioral problems are analyzed and discussed in the light of current research data. Particular emphasis is also given to presenting the main features of contemporary psycho-educational and psychotherapeutic interventions which address the wide range of disruptive behaviors in order to successfully include these children in mainstream schools. A central argument of this book is that professionals who work with these children should go beyond symptomatic reactions to meet the vulnerable and suffering child behind the disordered behavior. The final purpose of this work is to suggest a holistic model of treating behavioral problems using a meaningful synthesis of various theoretical approaches and techniques. More specifically, an ecological comprehensive child-centered model is proposed that takes into account each child’s particular traits, vulnerabilities and strengths, as well as the dynamics of his/her family and school environment. Finally, the author argues against both the classical clinical approaches of behavioral problems that decontextualize and pathologize every behavioral deviation, and a strict adherence to manualized approaches that impose on teachers and other professionals an experimentally tested intervention model that often has little ecological validity. The book is enriched by a series of brief clinical cases aimed at outlining the emotional reactions of parents and teachers, as well as presenting the psychological interventions that might be appropriate in each particular case of behavioral difficulties. This is a thought-provoking book that integrates contemporary theoretical considerations with practical clinical and educational guidelines. For this reason, it can be useful for clinical and school psychologists, classroom teachers, special educators, and all mental health professionals who work or are in contact with children with varying degrees and forms of behavioral problems.

Being with Edgy Youth
Kiara Gharabagli (School of Child & Youth Care, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Case: 978-1-62100-947-4. $95.00.
This book provides a perspective on being with edgy youth that critically examines the consequences of conformity and compliance-based interventions and proposes a focus on being present and staying with edgy youth through their journey toward adulthood and beyond. The book provides an alternative way of thinking about edgy youth that will be especially useful to Social Workers, Teachers, Youth Workers, Mental Health Professionals, and all those other professional helpers who come face to face with young people who seem beyond rescue. The book also challenges all professional helpers to critically evaluate their own biases and assumptions about being involved with edgy youth and to be sensitive as to how interacting with professional helpers might be experienced by the edgy youth.

Child Abuse: Indicators, Psychological Impact and Prevention
Raymond A. Turner and Henry O. Rogers
In series: Children’s Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-62257-113-0. $150.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-168-0. $150.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of child abuse indicators, psychological impact and prevention. Topics discussed in this compilation include the link between mistreatment and obesity in childhood; child maltreatment prevalence and consequences of victimization; bone disease and fractures in early childhood and their relation to child abuse; managing the risk of child sexual abuse including prevention and intervention strategies; addressing childhood trauma in Malta; the role of child sexual abuse in the development of psychopathology and borderline personality disorder.

Child Fatalities Due to Maltreatment: The Role of Quality Data
Vernon Chapman and Allan Burton
In series: Children’s Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Soft: 978-1-61942-342-8. $47.00.
Children’s deaths from maltreatment are especially distressing because they involve a failure on the part of adults who were responsible for protecting them. Questions have been raised as to whether the federal National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS), which is based on voluntary state reports to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), fully captures the number of circumstances of
child fatalities from maltreatment. This book examines the extent to which HHS collects and reports comprehensive information on child fatalities from maltreatment and looks to strengthen data quality, expand available information, improve sharing, and estimate better the costs and benefits of collecting national data on near fatalities.

**Child Sex Trafficking in the United States**  
*Jeff V. Higgins and Christopher M. Brady*  
In series: *Children's Issues, Laws and Programs*  
Soft: 978-1-62100-266-6. $47.00.  

The editors of this book focus on domestic sex trafficking, including the prostitution of children. The exact number of child victims of sex trafficking in the United States is unknown because comprehensive research and scientific data are lacking. Sex trafficking of children appears to be fueled by a variety of environmental and situational variables ranging from poverty or the use of prostitution by runaway and “thrown-away” children to provide for their subsistence needs to the recruitment of children by organized crime units for prostitution. Experts agree that any efforts to reduce the prevalence of child sex trafficking, as well as other forms of trafficking, should address not only the supply, but also the demand. In this book, demand reduction strategies are considered, such as increasing public awareness and prevention, as well as bolstering investigations and prosecutions of those who buy illegal commercial sex.

**Medicating Foster Care Children with Psychotropic Drugs: An Examination**  
*Robert L. Ray and Mackenzie A. Watkins*  
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Foster children, often being removed from neglectful or abusive homes, are one of the country’s most vulnerable populations. With the often traumatic circumstances that define their early lives, it is no wonder studies show their tendency for more mental health conditions than other children. Facing these and other significant challenges surrounding foster care programs, state authorities, caseworkers, and parents, are given few options on appropriate treatments. These options often include prescribing heavy-duty psychotropic drugs such as antidepressants and, in some cases, even antipsychotics - drugs which have little research available supporting their use in children. This book examines the practice of medicating America’s foster children with a focus on the financial and societal costs.

**Missing Children: Medicating America's Foster Children with Psychotropic Drugs: An Examination**  
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Each year, nearly 1.3 million children are reported missing. Although the unforeseen absence of a child is always upsetting, fortunately most missing children are returned home in a short period of time. This fact, however, provides little consolation for the parents of children whose whereabouts and welfare remain unknown. This book provides helpful advice for parents whose children are missing and also offers encouragement and support. The increased pervasiveness of online media has led to the victimization of a greater number of children via the Internet. It is important for parents to be adequately informed about the dangers their children face online and the current information on new technologies, particularly those that play a role in facilitating Internet crimes against children.
Positive Youth Development: A New School Curriculum to Tackle Adolescent Developmental Issues
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A team of researchers from five universities in Hong Kong have constructed a comprehensive positive youth development package for junior secondary school students in Hong Kong. This project is called P.A.T.H.S. (Positive Adolescent Training through Holistic Social Programs) and the package focuses on various aspects of positive youth development used by more than 250 secondary schools in Hong Kong. Research has been performed on the effectiveness and educational implications of the teaching package, which opened a new page of study in the field of whole-person education and youth education in Chinese societies. In view of the data collected so far, the teaching package is well received by students, teachers and educators in Hong Kong. The new curriculum covered in this book is closely related to the emerging adolescent developmental issues in Hong Kong and the global contexts.

Positive Youth Development: Theory, Research and Application
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In the prevention science approach, focus is put on identifying risk and protective factors in adolescent risk behavior. Based on this approach, many research and prevention programs have been generated in the past few decades. Nevertheless, over-emphasis of adolescent developmental problems has been criticized as focusing too much on adolescent developmental problems and pathologies. In response to this criticism, an alternative approach highlighting the importance of positive youth development has been proposed.

Siblings: Social Adjustments, Interaction and Family Dynamics
Maison Dupont and Jean-Pierre Renaud
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In series: Family Issues in the 21st Century
Case: 978-1-62257-057-7. $120.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-064-5. $120.00.
This book provides a look at the social adjustments, interaction and family dynamics of siblings. The authors present current research including parent-child attachments; the influence of familial factors on child trauma symptoms in children exposed to intimate partner violence; sibling interactions and pro-social skills and antisocial behaviors during different stages of child development; birth order and risk preferences; twin and higher order multiple pregnancies in medically assisted reproduction; support for siblings of children with intellectual disabilities; and communicative functions of emotions in sibling relationships.

Welfare of Children in Foster Care: Health Care Needs and Social Security Benefits
Cooper Mitchell and Mark E. Parker
In series: Children's Issues, Laws and Programs
Soft: 978-1-62257-143-7. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-158-1. $52.00.
Approximately 662,000 children spend some time in foster care each year. Most enter care because they have experienced neglect or abuse by their parents. Between 35% and 60% of children entering foster care have at least one chronic or acute physical health condition that needs treatment. As many as one-half to three-fourths show behavioral or social competency problems that may warrant mental health services and substance abuse counseling. As many as 24,000 (about 6%) receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or other Social Security benefits. Some research suggests that a greater number of children in foster care might be eligible for SSI benefits if this assistance was sought. This book examines the health care needs and social security benefit issues facing children in the foster care system with a focus on medical benefits; private health insurance reforms; and possible legislative changes.

Youth in America: Transitions to Adulthood and Disconnected Youths
Oliver F. Nelson and Mace R. Davies
In series: Family Issues in the 21st Century
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-884-8. $195.00.
The transition to adulthood in the United States has changed in recent decades as many of the traditional milestones that mark adulthood, such as household establishment and marriage, have changed or been delayed. Among these changes are increased participation and attainment in education; extenuation of educational completion and subsequent delayed participation in the labor force; and delays in child rearing. This book examines numerous aspects of the lives of youth and young adults, ages 14 to 24 in the United States over the last several decades. Discussed are the status and trend data from multiple surveys on the distribution of youth and their family structure; on school, employment, health-related factors and future plans.

Youth in the Labor Force: Context, Trends, and Job Training Programs
Bradley Meyer and Joel A. Rice
In series: Children's Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
2012.
e-book: 978-1-62257-405-6. $52.00.
Congress has indicated a strong interest in ensuring that today's young people, those age 16 through 24, attain the education and employment experience necessary to make the transition to adulthood as skilled workers and taxpayers. In the wake of the December 2007-June 2009 recession, questions remain about the employment prospects of youth today and the possible effects on their future earnings and participation in the labor market. This book provides context for policymakers on the youth employment situation. It includes data on labor force participation, employment, and unemployment in the post-World War II period, with a focus on trends since 2000. This discussion compares rates based on age, gender, race/ethnicity, and income, where applicable and also explores the factors that influence youth participation in the labor force and their prospects for employment.

### CHINESE STUDIES

**Child Protection in Chinese Societies: Challenges and Policies**

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*In series: China in the 21st Century*


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This book introduces the current situations of child victimization in the Chinese populations to readers, discusses the relevant political and legal systems as well as health and social services, and puts forward some recommendations for effective child protection with an emphasis on the unique cultural values and situations in the Chinese populations. Grounded in the recent and contemporary research and scholarly inquiry, this is a vital book for understanding trends and current situations in China, as well as an essential read for those who work, research, teach or study in the area. This book is the only one available to date to present a comprehensive and critical review of child maltreatment and victimization in China whilst promoting a multidisciplinary collaboration to child protection.

**China 1966-1976, Cultural Revolution Revisited – Can It Happen Again?**

Guang Wu (DreamSciTech Consulting, Guangxi, China)

In series: *China in the 21st Century*


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In many ways, this book is very different from almost all other books on this topic, not because this book does not depend on any individual case, personal sufferings, anecdotes and secret documents, but because its analyses and conclusions are different. For example, the analysis shows that Mao Zedong had no need to launch the Cultural Revolution to defeat Liu Shaoqi because Mao Zedong had many options; the Cultural Revolution was well-designed, well-prepared, well-organized, and well-controlled because . . . Why the Cultural Revolution was so brutal because . . . Most surprisingly, the analysis suggests that Mao Zedong and Deng Xiaoping might co-design the Cultural Revolution because . . . Finally, this book discusses the pros for and cons against the reoccurrence of Cultural Revolution in the future.

**China: Born in 1980s – Does Their Fortune Run Out?**

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*In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment*

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In recent years, a newly created word appeared in the Chinese language, ‘ba ling huo’, which refers to the people, who were born in the 1980s. In Chinese society, this generation became a social problem because the older generations and mass media blamed them although they are the first generation under single-child policy. This book analyzes this social problem and uses two measures to determine whether the 80s generation ran out of luck, to define their relationship with China, to discuss their future and what they can do in their future, to determine reasons why the 80s generation suddenly find themselves out-of-favor in Chinese society, and to explore the Chinese culture, Chinese tradition and Chinese civilization’s role in the rise and fall of the 80s generation.

**China's Banking System, Currency Policy and Economic Conditions**

Jake J. Chapman and Upton N. Marshall

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*In series: Asian Economic and Political Issues*


Case: 978-1-62081-637-0. $110.00.


China's banking system has been gradually transformed from a centralized, government-owned and government-controlled provider of loans into an increasingly competitive market in which different types of banks, including several U.S. banks, strive to provide a variety of financial services. Additionally, China's policy of intervening in currency markets to limit or halt the appreciation of its currency, the renminbi (RMB), against the U.S. dollar and other currencies has become an issue of concern for many in Congress. Critics charge that China's currency policy is intended to make its exports significantly less expensive, and its imports more expensive, than would occur if the RMB were a freely-traded currency. Since opening up to foreign trade and investment in 1979, China has been one of the world's fastest-growing economies and has emerged as a major economic and trade power. This book takes a comprehensive look at China's banking system, currency policy and current economic conditions.

**Chinese Military Modernization: Select Analyses and Implications**

Roger Cooperman and Alexander J. Foster

In series: *China in the 21st Century*

*In series: Defense, Security and Strategies*

2012.

Case: 978-1-62257-623-4. $110.00.


This book explores the question of how the United States should respond to China's military modernization effort, including its naval modernization effort, which has emerged as a key issue in U.S. defense planning. China's naval modernization effort, which began in the 1990s, encompasses a broad array of weapon acquisition programs, including anti-ship ballistic missiles, submarines, and surface ships. Observers believe that the near-term focus of China's military modernization effort has been to develop military options for addressing the situation with Taiwan. Potential oversight issues for Congress include whether the U.S. Navy in coming years will be large enough to adequately counter improve Chinese maritime anti-access forces while also adequately performing other missions of interest to
Young people are regarded as future assets of the society. Hence, intervention programs are commonly developed to tackle adolescent risk behaviors. However, a survey of the literature shows that research on adolescents is mainly confined to the Western societies. For Chinese psychologists, pediatricians, psychiatrists, and allied human service workers, knowledge about adolescent development is largely developed in the Western culture. To what extent is Western knowledge on adolescent development applicable to Chinese young people? Are Chinese adolescent risk behaviors similar to those in Western societies? To what extent are intervention programs, such as adolescent prevention programs, applicable to Chinese young people? These are important questions.

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
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Curriculum reform has played a central role in the educational changes in contemporary China. The government of the People’s Republic of China, being at the center of the centralized educational administration system, assumes the responsibility for designing and organizing the systemic reform initiatives. This is especially the case for what has been happening since the end of 1990s. At the turn of the new millennium, the Chinese government initiated the new round of national curriculum reform (NCR) for basic education which is also the eighth round of nation-wide curriculum reform since the founding of the People’s Republic of China. This book will give insightful information on the state of Educational programs in China's immediate future and written by many educators in China’s learning system.

Developmental Issues in Chinese Adolescents
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Young people are regarded as future assets of the society. Hence, adolescent prevention programs are commonly developed to tackle adolescent risk behavior and positive youth development programs are designed to promote holistic development in adolescents. However, a survey of the literature shows that research on adolescents is mainly confined to the Western societies. For Chinese psychologists, pediatricians, psychiatrists, and allied human service workers, knowledge about adolescent development is largely developed in the Western culture. To what extent is Western knowledge on adolescent development applicable to Chinese young people? Are Chinese adolescent risk behaviors similar to those in Western societies? To what extent are intervention programs, such as adolescent prevention programs, applicable to Chinese people? These are important questions to be addressed by human service professionals working with Chinese adolescents and their families.

Going Green in China: Policy and Potential
Spencer B. Talscott
In series: China in the 21st Century

In series: Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology

This book examines China's greenhouse gas emissions and mitigation policies. Debate on potential climate change legislation in the United States has been influenced by China's surging GHG emissions, and uncertainty over whether, how, and when China might alter that trend. There is concern that strong U.S. domestic action taken without Chinese reciprocity would unfairly advantage China in global trade, and fail to slow significantly the growth of atmospheric concentrations of GHGs. The governments of both China and the United States have indicated some closure of their gap on future actions to address climate change by agreeing on national pledges to GHG targets and mitigation actions rather than binding international obligations. China is also engaged with many other countries in bilateral programs to build its governance and technological capacities to abate its GHG emissions.

Handbook of Contemporary Marketing in China: Theories and Practices
Cheng Lu Wang (University of New Haven, West Haven, CT, USA)
In series: Management Science - Theory and Applications

This book provides state-of-the-art reviews of various current marketing research areas in China. It also features empirical (both qualitative and quantitative) studies that investigate marketing issues with conceptual significance and managerial importance. This new book provides a useful and comprehensive resource for academicians, professionals and practitioners who are interested in contemporary China’s markets, marketing research and marketing practices.

In China We Trust: The Impacts of Chinese Economic Policies
Wilfred J. Allen and Alex Young
In series: China in the 21st Century
In series: Global Economic Studies

The emergence of China as a major economic superpower has raised concern among many U.S. policymakers. Some express concern over the large annual U.S. trade deficits with China which many view as an indicator that U.S.-Chinese commercial relations are imbalanced or unfair. Others claim that China uses unfair trade practices (such as undervalued currency and subsidies given to domestic producers) to flood U.S. markets with low-cost goods, and that such practices threaten American jobs, wages, and living standards. Other concerns relating to China's economic growth include its growing demand for energy and raw materials, and its status as the world's largest emitter of greenhouse gases. This book provides background on China's economic rise and current economic structure and the challenges China faces to keep its economy growing strong, and the economic policies that are of concern to U.S. policymakers.

Intellectual Property Infringement and Indigenous Innovation in China
Hannes Schulze and Emil Peters
In series: Intellectual Property in the 21st Century
In series: China in the 21st Century
freedom of speech. Such an extension would violate the First Amendment's guarantee of indecency restriction, which currently applies to broadcast television and radio, to cable and satellite television. This book examines whether such an extension would violate the First Amendment's guarantee of freedom of speech.

State-Owned Enterprises and State Capitalism in China

Rick Harris and William K. Martin

In series: China in the 21st Century
In series: Global Economic Studies

2012. 147 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-821-8. $95.00.

China's breathtaking economic reform, including the rise of private enterprise, has often led observers to assume that the country's economic system has been transformed into a capitalist economy dominated by private enterprise. A number of economic, political and policy trends demonstrate that the Chinese economy has become more market-oriented. Chinese statistics show a dramatic rise in the number of ostensibly private enterprises since the late 1970s. China now has stock exchanges in two cities and hundreds of Chinese firms now have listings in exchanges beyond the mainland. In 1978, capitalists in China were official "class enemies" but in 2001 they were welcomed into the Chinese Communist Party. China's once insular economy now imports more than one trillion dollars annually and is one of the top destinations for foreign investments. This book examines state-owned enterprises (SOEs) in China and the role they play in China's economy, politics and foreign policy.

COMMUNICATIONS

Broadcasting, the FCC, Indecency and the First Amendment: Scrutiny and Debate
Jacob Jefferson and Jennifer S. McGovern

In series: Media and Communications - Technologies, Policies and Challenges

2012. 91 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62100-775-3. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-792-0. $47.00.

Federal law makes it a crime to utter "any obscene, indecent, or profane language by means of radio communication." Violators of this statute are subject to fines and imprisonment of up to two years, and the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) may enforce this provision by forfeiture or revocation of a broadcaster's license. Various federal officials have spoken in favor of extending the FCC's indecency restriction, which currently applies to broadcast television and radio, to cable and satellite television. This book examines whether such an extension would violate the First Amendment's guarantee of freedom of speech.

CRIME

Body Armor: Ballistic and Stab Resistance Standards with a Guide to Selection
Luis E. Sandoval and Clifford J. Stanley

In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement

2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-439-1. $195.00.

This book is an examination of the minimum performance standard developed in collaboration with the Office of Law Enforcement Standards to determine the requirements and test methods for the ballistic resistance of personal body armor intended to protect against gunfire. The standard discussed specifies the minimum performance requirements that equipment must meet to satisfy the requirements of criminal justice agencies and the methods that shall be used to test this performance. Body armor manufacturers and purchasers may use this standard to determine whether specific armor models meet the minimum performance standards and test methods. The National Institute of Justice standards are subject to continued research, development, testing, review, and revision and are re-evaluated and modified as necessary.

Criminal Aliens in the US Statistics
Sheila M. Burt and Dillon J. Sargent

In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues

Case: 978-1-61942-632-0. $95.00.

Congress has a long-standing interest in seeing that immigration enforcement agencies identify and deport serious criminal aliens. The expeditious removal of such aliens has been a statutory priority since 1986, and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and its predecessor agency have operated programs targeting criminal aliens for removal since 1988. This book examines the four programs the DHS operates to target criminal aliens with a focus on the merits of jail enforcement programs and the role of state and localities in immigration enforcement.

Criminal Justice Support for American Indians: Select Considerations
Gary N. Cook and Anna Maria Reed

In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections

Case: 978-1-62257-182-6. $110.00.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) has reported from the last available data that the crime rates experienced by American Indians nationwide are two or three times higher than those experienced by the general population in the United States. The Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 recognizes that Indian tribes have faced significant increases of burglary, assault, child abuse, and domestic violence as a direct result of increased methamphetamine use on Indian reservations. Further, it is estimated that 39 percent of American Indian and Alaska Native women will be subjected to domestic violence during their lifetime. Such crime levels have a devastating effect on the quality of life for tribal communities and signal a public safety crisis in Indian country. This book reviews the challenges facing select tribal justice systems in adjudicating crime in Indian country as well as federal agencies' efforts to coordinate their activities to support tribal justice systems.
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Cybercrime: Conceptualized and Codified
Kendrick S. Larson and Hugh Williamson

This book examines the conceptual issues for Congress and U.S. law enforcement as it relates to cybercrime. Twenty-first century criminals increasingly rely on the Internet and advanced technologies to further their criminal operations. These criminals can easily leverage the Internet to carry out traditional crimes such as distributing illicit drugs and sex trafficking. In addition, they exploit the digital world to facilitate crimes that are often technology driven, including identity theft, payment card fraud, and intellectual property theft. Cybercrimes have economic, public health, and national security implications. For over three decades, Congress has been concerned about cybercrime and its related threats. Today, these concerns often arise among a larger discussion surrounding the federal government's role in ensuring U.S. cyber security.

Federal Control of Guns and Firearms:
Developments and Considerations
Korrigan A. Shaw and Rudy E. White
Case: 978-1-62081-744-5. $135.00.

Congress has debated the efficacy and constitutionality of federal regulation of firearms and ammunition, with strong advocates arguing for and against greater gun control. Since March 2011, much of the gun control debate in the 112th Congress has swirled around allegations that the Department of Justice and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) mishandled a Phoenix, AZ-based gun trafficking investigation known as "Operation Fast and Furious." The tragic shootings in Tucson, AZ, on January 8, 2011, in which six people were killed and 13 wounded, including Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, have also generated attention. This book examines the developments and considerations in the federal control of guns and firearms, with a focus on gun control legislation; an overview of District of Columbia v. Heller and McDonald v. City of Chicago; DC gun laws and proposed amendments; and firearms commerce in the US.

Federal Mandatory Minimum Sentencing: Sexual Offenses and Aggravated Identity Theft
Michael J. Davis and Abigail M. White
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement

Soft: 978-1-62081-988-3. $52.00.

Sex offenses are usually hate crimes. Federal law, however, outlaw sex offenses when they occur on federal lands or in federal prisons, when they involve interstate or foreign travel, or when they involve child pornography whose production or distribution is associated in some way with interstate or foreign commerce. Mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment attend conviction for any of several of these federal sex crimes. Aggravated identity theft is punishable by a mandatory minimum sentence of imprisonment for two years or by imprisonment for five years if it relates to a terrorism offense. The two-year offense occurs when an individual knowingly possesses, uses, or transfers the means of identification of another person, without lawful authority to do so, during and in relation to one of more than 60 predicate federal felony offenses. This book provides an overview of federal mandatory minimum sentencing law with regard to sexual offenses and aggravated identity theft, specifically.

Gender Based Violence: Causes and Remedies
John Sinister (Economics Department, MMU Business School, U K)
Case: 978-1-61942-786-0. $140.00.

This book analyses domestic violence against women, inflicted by the woman’s husband or cohabiting partner. The main focus is on physical violence and sexual and emotional violence is also discussed. The term used to describe such violence is "Gender Based Violence" (GBV). GBV is a problem in every country; in the world as a whole, there may be over a billion women who have experienced domestic violence from their husband or male partner. For many women, such violence is a regular occurrence, and is seen as normal by many women and men. This book uses scientific data collected by household surveys, and from crime statistics; it investigates not only the prevalence of violence, but also attitudes to such violence – the extent to which a woman, and/or her partner, consider domestic violence against women to be acceptable or even appropriate in certain circumstances.

Mexico's Drug Trafficking Violence: Scope, Consequences and Response
Willis Chambers and Rickey Hale
Case: 978-1-61942-380-0. $110.00.

The violence generated by Mexico's drug trafficking organizations (DTOs) in recent years has been unprecedented. Although violence has been an inherent feature of the trade in illicit drugs, the character of the drug trafficking-related violence in Mexico has been increasingly brutal. Several politicians and journalists have been murdered and mass killings of young people and migrants using torture and car bombs have led some analysts to question whether the violence has been transformed into something new, requiring a different set of policy responses. This book provides background on drug trafficking in Mexico, identifies the major drug trafficking organizations, and analyzes prospects for curbing violence in the future.
Money Laundering: An Analysis of Federal Law
**Carlyle M. Bennett and Carlson D. Turner**
In series: *Law, Crime and Law Enforcement*
Soft: 978-1-62081-614-1. $52.00.  
Money laundering is commonly understood as the process of cleansing the taint from the proceeds of crime. In federal criminal law, however, it is more. In the principal federal criminal money laundering statutes, 18 U.S.C. 1956 and 1957, and to varying degrees in several other federal criminal statutes, money laundering involved the flow of resources to and from several hundred other federal, state, and foreign crimes. Money laundering in some forms is severely punished, sometimes more severely than the underlying crime with which it is associated. The penalties frequently include not only long prison terms, but the confiscation of the property laundered, involved in the laundering, or traceable to the laundering. In this book, an overview of the elements and other legal attributes and consequences of a violation of Sections 1956 and 1957 are discussed, as are select related federal criminal statutes.

**Scholarly Influence in Criminology and Criminal Justice**
**Ellen G. Cohn (Florida International University, Miami, FL) and David P. Farrington (Institute of Criminology, Cambridge University, MA)**
In series: *Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections*  
Case: 978-1-62081-357-7. $150.00.  
This is the first book to trace scholarly influence in criminology and criminal justice over a twenty-year time period. It is based primarily on the analysis of citations in major journals, but it also includes studies of publication productivity. This book shows that, over a twenty-year time period, the most influential topics in major criminology and criminal justice journals were either concerned with developmental/life course or longitudinal/criminal career research, or were expositions of major theories. Because of its identification of the most-cited scholars, the most-cited books and articles, and the most prolific publishers, this book will be of interest to all scholars and students in criminology and criminal justice and allied fields. In addition, its conclusions about the most influential theories and research should be of interest to policy makers, practitioners, and funding agencies.

**Violent Extremism in the United States: Counter-Strategies**
**Chad P. Fox and Frederick M. Hawkins**
In series: *Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections*
In series: *Terrorism, Hot Spots and Conflict-Related Issues*  
2012.  
Case: 978-1-62257-464-3. $52.00.  
e-book: 978-1-62257-494-0. $52.00.
Sadly, the threat of violent extremism in America is nothing new. Throughout our history, misguided groups, including international and domestic terrorist organizations, neo-Nazis and anti-Senate hate groups, have engaged in horrific violence to kill our citizens and threaten our way of life. Most recently, al-Qaeda and its affiliates have attempted to recruit and radicalize people to terrorism here in the United States, as we have seen in several plot and attacks, including the deadly attack on our service members at Fort Hood. In August 2011, the Obama Administration announced its counter-radicalization strategy. It is devised to address the forces that influence some people living in the United States to acquire and hold radical or extremist beliefs that may eventually compel them to commit terrorism. This is the first such strategy for the federal government, which calls this effort “combating violent extremism” (CVE). This book examines the CVE strategies currently being employed, with a focus on their risks and challenges.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE, LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**Gun Control: States’ Concealed Carry Permits and Background Check Progress**
**Martin Sanders and Louis J. Ramirez**
In series: *Law, Crime and Law Enforcement*
In series: *Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections*
2013.  
Case: 978-1-62257-806-1. $110.00.  
According to state reporting to the Government Accountability Office (GAO), there were at least 8 million active permits to carry concealed handguns in the United States as of December 31, 2011. States and local authorities control the issuance of concealed carry permits. Applicants who wish to obtain such permits are required to meet certain state eligibility requirements, such as minimum age and the lack of a felony conviction. States also decide which other states’ permits to honor. Typically, states enter into reciprocity agreements that establish which out-of-state permit holders can carry concealed firearms within each state. This book provides an overview of the extent to which states allow concealed carry permits, and how select states’ eligibility requirements and recognition of other states’ permits differ.

**Indigent Defense: Federal Support and International Perspectives**
**Betty Nichols and Jeff Weaver**
In series: *Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections*  
In series: *Law, Crime and Law Enforcement*  
2012.  
Case: 978-1-62257-441-4. $135.00.  
Pursuant to the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, every person accused of a crime is afforded the right to have counsel in his or her defense, even if unable to afford such representation. Individuals accused of a crime but unable to afford representation, referred to as indigent defendants, often rely on entities such as public defender offices for the provision of counsel. Several organizations, including the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, conducted national studies of indigent defense, pointing out many challenges in providing counsel across the country, including inadequate funding of defense programs as a whole, inadequate compensation for assigned counsel, lack of investigative resources, inexperienced counsel, and understaffing of public defense offices. In affording indigent defendants their right to counsel, both state and local governments generally decide the type of indigent defense programs to employ and how to fund them. This book provides a look at federal support and international perspectives of indigent defense.
Tasers and Conducted Energy Devices: Safety and Use by Law Enforcement

Leroy R. Elliott and Alex W. Riley

In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement

2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-463-6. $110.00.

Today, more than 12,000 law enforcement agencies in the United States use conducted energy devices (CEDs) as an alternative to conventional physical control tactics or other means of subduing. A National Institute of Justice (NIJ)-sponsored expert panel, convened to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of CEDs and concluded that law enforcement officers need not refrain from using CEDs to place uncooperative and combative subjects in custody provided that the CEDs are used in accordance with accepted national guidelines and an appropriate use-of-force policy. The panel also concluded that field use of CEDs is safe in the vast majority of cases and creates less risk of injury to officers and suspects alike, than other options of subduing uncooperative persons. This book examines the safety and use by law enforcement officers of force, tasers and other less lethal weapons with a focus on a study also of deaths following electro muscular disruption.

The Persistence of Human Trafficking

Perry Simmons Foster and Kayla Brady

In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement

In series: Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections

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Trafficking in persons, or human trafficking, refers to the subjection of men, women, and children to exploitative conditions that can be tantamount to slavery. Reports suggest that human trafficking is a global phenomenon, victimizing millions of people each year and contributing to a multi-billion dollar criminal industry. It is a centuries-old problem that, despite international and U.S. efforts to eliminate it, continues to occur in virtually every country in the world. Human trafficking is also an international and cross-cutting policy problem that bears on a range of major national security, human rights, criminal justice, social, economic, migration, gender, public health, and labor issues. This book examines the international dimensions and foreign policy issues for Congress of human trafficking.

The Violence Against Women Act: Elements and Considerations

Joshua Abrahamson and Roger T. Cantrell

In series: Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections

In series: Women’s Issues

2012.

In the early 1990s, Congress passed the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). The act was intended to change attitudes toward domestic violence, foster awareness of domestic violence, improve services and provisions for victims, and revise the manner in which in the criminal justice system responds to domestic violence. This legislation created new programs within the Department of Justice and Health and Human Services that aimed to both reduce domestic violence and improve response to and recovery from domestic violence incidents. VAWA primarily addresses certain types of violent crime through grant programs to state, tribal, and local governments; nonprofit organizations; and universities. VAWA programs target the crimes of intimate partner violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This book provides a brief legislative history of VAWA and an overview of the crimes addressed with a focus on legislation and funding issues.

DEFENSE AND SECURITY

21st Century Defense Strategy Guidance and Defense Reduction Considerations

Betsy J. Robertson and Barlow E. Morris

In series: Defense, Security and Strategies

2012.
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On January 5th, 2012, President Obama announced a new defense strategic guidance entitled ‘Sustaining U.S. Global Leadership: Priorities for 21st Century Defense.’ This new guidance is significant because it is explicitly intended to reshape future Department of Defense (DOD) priorities, activities, and budget requests for the next decade. While the guidance is intended to steer DOD decision-making as it reduces defense spending by about $487 billion over the next 10 years, to meet the initial budget caps set in the Budget Control Act (BCA) of 2011, it does not account for the possibility of sequestration, further significant, across-the-board cuts that could be required pursuant to implementation of the BCA. This book highlights and analyzes key strategic-level issues raised by the new guidance.

Agro-Defense: U.S. Readiness for Natural and Terrorist Threats to Food and Agriculture

Clarence F. Swain and Stanely T. Minor

In series: Defense, Security and Strategies

In series: Agriculture Issues and Policies

Case: 978-1-61942-097-7. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-103-5. $95.00.

The President issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD)-9 in 2004 to establish a national policy to defend the food and agriculture systems of the U.S. against terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies. HSPD-9 assigns various emergency response and recovery responsibilities to the Departments of Agriculture (USDA), Health and Human Services (HHS), Homeland Security (DHS), and others. This book evaluates the extent to which there is oversight of federal agencies’ overall progress in implementing HSPD-9 and the steps USDA has taken to implement the HSPD-9 responsibilities for response and recovery and challenges, if any.

An Anthology of Contending Views on International Security

David Walton (University of Western Sydney, Australia), Michael Frazier (Howard University, Washington D.C.)

In series: Defense, Security and Strategies

Case: 978-1-61942-808-9. $165.00.

This book considers contending views on security ten years after the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington in September 2001. In this context the editors have endeavored to offer a diverse range of perspectives on security with the intention of contributing to existing literature and understanding of what security means in the first decade after 9/11. The editors have invited perspectives from Asia, Europe, Australia, Africa, as well as the United States. Traditional and non-tradition approaches towards security are examined. The diversity of views in this volume is indicative of the range of complex and challenging security issues that exist in the new international
environment. This book’s main focus is to showcase important themes in the discourse on broader post-9/11 security debates.

Chemical Facility Security: Considerations for Congress
Marlin J. Flores and Nicholas J. Washington
In series: Safety and Risk in Society
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Soft: 978-1-61942-925-3. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-958-1. $47.00.
Even before September 11, 2001, congressional policymakers have expressed concern about the safety and security of facilities possessing certain amounts of hazardous chemicals. The sudden release of hazardous chemicals from facilities storing large quantities might potentially harm many people living or working near the facility. Chemical facilities engaged in security activities on a voluntary basis. Following September 11, 2001 some states enacted laws requiring additional consideration of security at chemical facilities. Congress debated whether the federal government should regulate such facilities for security purposes to reduce the risk they pose. This book provides a brief overview of the existing statutory authority to regulate chemical facilities with a focus on policy issues and options for congressional consideration.

Cybersecurity and Related Federal Laws: Revision Proposals
James R. Henderson and David I. Cox
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: Internet Policies and Issues
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-743-9. $110.00.
For more than a decade, various experts have expressed increasing concerns about cybersecurity, in light of the growing frequency, impact, and sophistication of attacks on information systems in the United States and abroad. Consensus has also been building that the current legislative framework for cybersecurity might need to be revised. This book discusses cybersecurity and proposals to amend related federal laws, while also examining relevant legal issues.

Data Security Breaches: Notification Laws, Legislation and Identity Theft
Patricia Diaz and William C. Long
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-735-4. $110.00.
A data security breach occurs when there is a loss or theft of, or other unauthorized access to, sensitive personally identifiable information that could result in the potential compromise of the confidentiality or integrity of data. This book provides an overview of state security breach notification laws applicable to entities that collect, maintain, own, possess, or license personal information. This book describes information security and security breach notification requirements in the Office of Management and Budget’s “Breach Notification Policy,” the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA).

Electronic Warfare: Select Assessments of Military Capabilities and Strategies
Mason Boyd and Pierce T. Chapman
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-792-7. $110.00.
According to the DOD, the U.S. military’s access to and use of the electromagnetic spectrum is facing rapidly evolving challenges and increased vulnerabilities due to the increasing quality and availability of electronic warfare capabilities to both state and non-state actors. Also, DOD has reported that electronic warfare capabilities, which play a critical and potentially growing role as an enabler for military operations, are currently stressed and will remain so in the future. Moreover, near-peer competitors, primarily Russia and China, have fully recognized the critical nature of electromagnetic spectrum control in military operations and cyberspace operations, which includes computer network operations. This book examines select assessments of military capabilities and strategies with regard to electronic warfare, with a focus on management and oversight, as well as airborne electronic attacks.

Energy Initiatives and Strategies in the Department of Defense
Tracy Cooke and Darrell T. Bolton
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-501-5. $135.00.
This book provides background information and identifies issues for Congress on Department of Defense (DOD) energy initiatives. The Department of Defense (DOD) spends billions of dollars per year on fuel, and is pursuing numerous initiatives for reducing its fuel needs and changing the mix of energy sources that it uses. DOD’s energy initiatives pose several oversight issues for Congress, and have been topics of discussion and debate at hearings on DOD’s proposed FY2013 budget. Congress’ decisions on DOD energy initiatives could substantially affect DOD capabilities, funding requirements, and U.S. energy industries.

Federal Cybersecurity: Legal Considerations and Assessments
Ryan I. Brooks and Dorothy E. Kelly
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62257-213-7. $110.00.
The federal government’s role in protecting U.S. citizens and critical infrastructure from cyber attacks has been the subject of recent congressional interest. This book discusses selected legal issues that frequently arise in the context of recent legislation to address vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure to cyber threats, efforts to protect government networks from cyber threats, and proposals to facilitate and encourage sharing of cyber threat information amongst private sector and government entities.
Federal Information Security: Select Protection and Control Efforts

David G. Miller and Ivan I. Wilson
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: Safety and Risk in Society
Case: 978-1-61942-771-6. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-816-4. $95.00.
In the last several years, federal agencies have increasingly adopted the use of wireless technologies. While wireless technologies provide many potential benefits, including greater flexibility for a mobile workforce and ease of installation and use, they also pose significant risks to information and systems. Wireless technologies use radio waves instead of direct physical connections to transmit data between networks and devices. As a result, without proper security precautions, these data can be more easily intercepted and altered than if being transmitted through physical connections. This book examines the selection and control efforts being utilized to secure federal agency wireless networks, the FDIC; and the national nuclear administration.

Homeland Security After 9/11

Harry Beiste and Ken Jackson
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-073-1. $185.00.
The events of September 11, 2001, led to profound changes in government policies and structures to confront homeland security threats. Most notably, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) began operations in 2003 with key missions that included preventing terrorist attacks from occurring in the U.S., and minimizing the damages from any attacks that may occur. This book examines DHS’s progress in implementing its homeland security missions since it began operations; work remaining and issues affecting implementation efforts.

Information Security Laws: An Introduction

Ryan F. Lewis and Gary M. Howard
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: Privacy and Identity Protection
2012. 94 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62100-785-2. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-800-2. $47.00.
This book describes information security and data breach notification requirements included in the Privacy Act, the Federal Information Security Management Act, Office of Management and Budget Guidance, the Veterans Affairs Information Security Act, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, the Federal Trade Commission Act, and the Fair Credit Reporting Act. Also included in this book is a brief summary of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS), an industry regulation developed by VISA, MasterCard, and other bank card distributors.

Information Security Terms: Glossary with Acronyms and Abbreviations

Daniel S. Cox and Eric R. Ellis
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-62100-787-6. $185.00.
This book includes a glossary of common security terms that have been extracted from NIST Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS), the Special Publication (SP) 800 series, NIST Interagency Reports (NISTIRs), and from the Committee for National Security Systems Instruction 4009 (CNSSI-4009). The glossary includes most of the terms in the NIST publications. It also contains nearly all of the terms and definitions from CNSSI-4009. The glossary provides a central resource of terms and definitions most commonly used in NIST information security publications and in CNSS information assurance publications.

Military and Security Developments in China

Anthony G. Leehy and John J. Wildstein
In series: China in the 21st Century
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-61942-009-4. $95.00.
China’s rise as a major international actor is likely to stand out as a defining feature of the strategic landscape of the early 21st century. Sustained economic development has raised the standard of living for China’s citizens and elevated China’s international profile. This development, coupled with an expanding science and technology base, has also facilitated a comprehensive and ongoing military modernization program. The United States welcomes a strong, prosperous, and successful China that reinforces international rules and norms and enhances security and peace both regionally and globally. This book examines China’s expanding military capabilities which can facilitate cooperation in pursuit of shared objectives with the United States. Strengthening our military-to-military relationship is a critical part of our strategy to shape China’s choices as we seek to capitalize on opportunities for cooperation while mitigating risks.

Precision and Global Strike Weapons: Considerations and Developments

Norman Holmes and Vincent Boyd
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
2012.
Soft: 978-1-61942-618-4. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-382-0. $52.00.
This book provides background information and considers issues related to the worldwide proliferation of "precision strike" capabilities. Precision strike systems utilize projectiles, bombs, missiles, torpedoes, and other weapons that can actively correct for initial errors by homing their targets or aim-points after being fired, released, or launched. Some analysts state that "the United States took an early lead in exploiting the promise of precision-strike systems and the use of precision weaponry has given the United States a battlefield edge for twenty years. However, these weapons are now spreading; other countries, and non-state actors, are acquiring them and developing countermeasures against them.” The fact that this ability of the U.S. to project power could also diminish possibly leaving U.S. forces, and the U.S. itself, increasingly vulnerable to precision weapons in the hands of its adversaries, raises serious considerations for Congress.

Security Force Assistance in the Development of Foreign Forces

Jannick Schröder and Henri König
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-61470-816-2. $125.00.
Historically, the U.S. military’s Special Operations Forces (SOF) have had primary responsibility for training, advising and assisting foreign
military forces. Today, although this mission has not been completely relegated to conventional forces, the National Security Strategies of the current and previous administrations direct the U.S. military services to organize, train and equip themselves to carry out these activities on a larger scale with conventional (non-SOF) forces. This responsibility in its broad sense of building the capacity of partner states has been termed “security force assistance” (SFA). This book presents the distillation of best practices and lessons learned from the contemporary operating environment in Iraq and Afghanistan with regard to security force assistance, and offers recommendations that build upon recent initiatives within the Department of Defense (DoD) to create a comprehensive approach to improve U.S. SFA.

Smart Grid Cybersecurity Guidelines and Interoperability Standards
Paul D. Rupp and Henry F. Fordman
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
2012. 149 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-772-2. $325.00.
There is an urgent need to establish protocols and standards for the Smart Grid. Deployment of various Smart Grid elements, including smart sensors on distribution lines, smart meters in homes, and widely dispersed sources of renewable energy, is already underway and will be accelerated as a result of Department of Energy (DOE) Smart Grid Investment Grants and other incentives, such as loan guarantees for renewable energy generation projects. Without standards, there is the potential for technologies developed or implemented with sizable public and private investments to become obsolete prematurely or to be implemented without measures necessary to ensure security. The authors of this book focus on the guidelines for smart grid cybersecurity and its interoperability standards.

The National Guard's State Partnership Program
Dave Pruitt and Peter J. Lozano
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-482-7. $52.00.
The State Partnership Program (SPP) is a Department of Defense security cooperation program run by the National Guard. It also serves as a mechanism for training National Guard personnel. Since the program began in 1992, it has expanded to the point where nearly every state National Guard participates, including Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia. The SPP relates to several areas of potential interest to Congress, including improving the capabilities of partner nations to protect their citizens; strengthening relationships with partners to facilitate cooperation, access, and interoperability; improving cultural awareness and skills among U.S. military personnel; and fostering the integration of reserve and active component forces into a “total force.” This book provides an overview of the origin and development of the program; summarizes its unique aspects; and outlines its statutory basis, funding mechanisms, organization, and activities; with a focus on recent legislative and executive branch actions.

Training and Assistance of Foreign Police in U.S.
Stability Efforts
David F. Jackson and Diana R. Reimanns
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: Foreign Policy of the United States
2012. 76 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62100-983-2. $47.00.

Over the past few years, the United States has increased its emphasis on training and equipping foreign police as a means of supporting a wide range of U.S. foreign-policy goals, including countering terrorists overseas and stopping the flow of narcotics to the United States. This book provides estimates of funding that the U.S. government has provided for activities to train and equip foreign police. Also discussed are the observations that establishing an effective local police force is critical to successful stability operations. An effective police force is a key component to security sector reform, justice sector reform, and the successful transition to the host nation's security force.

U.S. Counterinsurgency Guide and Tactics
Timotheus Anzelmo
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-60876-121-0. $215.00.
This book examines American counterinsurgency practices and tactics. At its heart, a counterinsurgency is an armed struggle for the support of the population. This support can be achieved or lost through information engagement, strong representative government, access to goods and services, fear, or violence. This armed struggle also involves eliminating insurgents who threaten the safety and security of the population. However, military units alone cannot defeat an insurgency. Most of the work involves discovering and solving the population's underlying issues, that is, the root causes of their dissatisfaction with the current arrangement of political power.

U.S. Prompt Global Strike Mission Options
Jayden A. Dominguez and Benjamin T. Moreno
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-62100-047-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-099-0. $95.00.
This book explores conventional prompt global strike and long-range ballistic mission options. Prompt global strike (PGS) would allow the United States to strike targets anywhere on earth with conventional weapons in as little as an hour. This capability may bolster U.S. efforts to deter and defeat adversaries by allowing the United States to attack high-value targets or “fleeting targets” at the start of or during a conflict. Congress has generally supported the PGS mission, but it has restricted funding and suggested some changes in funding for specific programs. Many analysts believe that the United States should use long-range ballistic missiles armed with conventional warheads for the PGS mission. These weapons would not substitute for nuclear weapons in the U.S. war plan but would, instead, provide a “niche” capability, with a small number of weapons directed against select, critical targets which might expand the range of U.S. conventional options.

United States National Preparedness: Goals and Assessments
Harry I. James and Ralph E. Long
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62257-247-2. $135.00.
Presidential Policy Directive 8: National Preparedness (PPD-8) describes the Nation’s approach to preparing for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States. National preparedness is the shared responsibility of our whole community. Every member contributes, including individuals, communities, the private and nonprofit sectors, faith-based organizations, and Federal, state, and local governments. This book examines the goals and
assessments of the U.S. national preparedness challenge with a focus on the core capabilities contained in the National Preparedness Goal report which are the distinct critical elements necessary for our success. These capabilities are highly interdependent and will require use to use existing preparedness networks and activities, improve training and exercise programs, promote innovation, and ensure that the administrative, finance, and logistics systems are in place to support these goals.

**Visa Security: Enforcement and Challenges**  
*Fred D. Hirsh and Harry Fletcher*  
In series: *Defense, Security and Strategies*  
In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*  
Soft: 978-1-61942-098-4. $47.00.  

The case of Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, who allegedly attempted to ignite an explosive device on Northwest Airlines Flight 253 on December 2009, refocused attention on the responsibilities of the Departments of State and Homeland Security for the visa process. He was traveling on a multi-year, multiple-entry tourist visa issued to him in June 2008. In the aftermath of the Abdulmutallab case, policymakers explored what went wrong and whether statutory and procedural revisions were needed. This book explores the policy questions which center on whether immigration law needs to be strengthened, whether funding should be increased, and which agency should take the lead.

**DISABILITY STUDIES**

**Across Time: Comparing Outcomes for Youth with Disabilities**  
*Derrick Alexander and Alvin J. Harper*  
In series: *Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs*  
In series: *Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World*  
Case: 978-1-61942-294-0. $215.00.  

This book presents an overview of The National Longitudinal Transition Study-2 (N LTS2), funded by the National Center for Special Education Research, which provides a unique source of information to help in developing an understanding of the experiences of secondary school students with disabilities nationally as they go through their early adult years.

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), The: Provisions and Protections**  
*John Kiviniemi and Cécile Sanjo*  
In series: *Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs*  
2012. 139 pp.  

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) provides broad nondiscrimination protection in employment, public services, public accommodations, services operated by public entities, transportation, and telecommunications for individuals with disabilities. This book summarizes the major provisions of the ADA and analyzes selected recent issues, including the Supreme Court cases and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008.

**Developmental Disabilities Act: Accomplishments and Expectations, The**  
*Dante R. Faella*  
In series: *Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs*  
Case: 978-1-61470-889-6. $185.00.  
e-book: 978-1-61470-935-0. $185.00.

The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (commonly known as the DD Act) provides federal financial assistance to states and public and nonprofit agencies to support community-based delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities. The DD Act defines developmental disabilities (DD) as severe, lifelong disabilities attributable to mental and/or physical impairment. The aim of the DD Act is to help individuals with DD maximize their potential through increased independence, productivity, inclusion and integration into the community. This book provides background and funding information on DD Act programs, discusses evaluation activities, and summarizes recent legislative efforts related to the DD Act.

**Dyslexics: Dating, Marriage and Parenthood**  
*Neil Alexander-Passe (Middlesex University, Woodside Park, London, United Kingdom)*  
In series: *Dyslexia. An Academic Perspective*  
Edited by: *Neil Alexander-Passe (London, UK)*  
Case: 978-1-61942-520-0. $195.00.  

Dyslexia is still seen as a mysterious disorder, and the layman’s concept of dyslexia is that it only affects reading and writing - which is in fact misleading and vague. This book discusses the secondary effects of having such a difficulty with communication. This book investigates young dyslexics who are dating. Lastly, how parenting is affected by dyslexics returning to school for their own children, into the traumatic environment they suffered in as children is analyzed in this book.

**Intellectual Disability: Management, Causes and Social Perceptions**  
*Domenico F. Mancini and Carlo M. Greco*  
In series: *Mental Illnesses and Treatments*  
In series: *Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs*  
2012. 192 pp.  
Case: 978-1-61942-298-8. $95.00.  
e-book: 978-1-61942-306-0. $95.00.

Intellectual disability occurs with a frequency of 1-3% within the general population. This impairment is frequently associated with additional features like multiple congenital anomalies and facial dysmorphisms. This book presents current research in the management, causes and social perceptions of mental retardation. Topics include chromosomal regions with a high diagnostic impact in mental retardation syndromes; psychosocial and psychopharmacological treatment of comorbid aggression in pediatric mental retardation; caring for children with Williams and Smith-Magenis syndromes; and cognitive skills enhancement in mental retardation.
Technology's Impact on Employment Opportunities for People with Disabilities: Analysis and Recommendations

Carl DeGeorge and Milton Kramer

In series: Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs

e-book: 978-1-62257-577-0. $110.00.

This book examines the importance of social media and other information technologies in connecting people to job opportunities. Not surprisingly, digital barriers to our networked economy can reinforce rather than break down disproportionately low employment among people with disabilities. Delivering on the commitment to improve the performance of America's students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) through the "Educate to Innovate" program, requires that all Americans, including people with disabilities, have the necessary digital tools to pursue careers in STEM. The ongoing transition to an economy based largely on the manipulation of information has sweeping implications for job creation for people with disabilities. New technologies create opportunities for people with disabilities to work alongside our non-disabled colleagues. However, the employment rate of people with disabilities still remains disproportionately low and we have yet to see evidence of real progress in increasing employment of people with disabilities.

Ticket to Work Program: Enabling the Disabled to Work

Ervin F. Hester and Timothy Dillon

In series: Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs

Case: 978-1-61942-439-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-449-4. $95.00.

Title I of the Ticket to Work Program, administered by the Social Security Administration, is a program to enhance work incentives for Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries. The goal of the Ticket program is to reduce dependence on disability benefits and help Social Security disability beneficiaries enter or reenter the workforce. This book provides an overview of how the Ticket to Work program operates with a focus on the background and legislative history of how the program evolved and its various components and regulations.

Disasters

Deepwater Horizon: Federal Financial Risks from Oil Spills

Denis A. Michaels and Gregorio S. Aston

In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices

Case: 978-1-61942-499-9. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-507-1. $95.00.

Both the individual circumstances of the Deepwater Horizon incident, as well as the overall framework for how the federal government responds to oil spills, present a mix of evolving, but as yet uncertain, financial risks to the federal government and its Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund. The extent of financial risks to the federal government from the Deepwater Horizon is closely tied to BP and the other responsible parties. This new book identifies the financial risks to the federal government resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill; and assesses the Coast Guard's internal controls for ensuring that processes and payments for spill-related cost reimbursements and claims related to the spill are appropriate. Also discussed is the extent to which the federal government oversees the BP and Gulf Coast Claims Facility cost reimbursement and claims processes.

Disaster Assistance and Recovery Programs: Types and Policies

Alfred R. Vogan and Stephen B. Dimond

In series: Government Procedures and Operations
In series: Natural Disaster Research, Prediction and Mitigation

e-book: 978-1-61942-244-5. $125.00.

Before and after a disaster strikes, it may be helpful to understand the broad outlines of the national emergency management structure and where authority rests at various stages of the process. This book provides information that can aid policymakers as they navigate through the many levels of responsibility, and numerous policy pressure points, by having an understanding of the laws and administrative policies governing the disaster response and recovery process. Discussed also are reviews of the legislative framework that exists for providing federal assistance, as well as the implementing of policies that the executive branch employs to provide supplemental help to state and local governments during time of disasters.

The Catastrophic Declaration Proposal For National Disasters and Emergencies

Landon West and Adrian Porter

In series: Natural Disaster Research, Prediction and Mitigation
In series: Safety and Risk in Society

Case: 978-1-61942-264-3. $95.00.

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (the Stafford Act) authorizes the President to issue major disaster or emergency declarations in response to catastrophes in the United States that overwhelm state and local governments. This book examines concerns expressed by policymakers and experts that current Stafford Act declarations are inadequate to respond to, and recover from, and presents the arguments for and against amending the act to add a catastrophic declaration amendment.

Drugs

Methamphetamines: Abuse, Health Effects and Treatment Options

Jörg Ornoy and Xiaoling He

In series: Alcohol and Drug Abuse

Case: 978-1-62100-244-4. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-474-5. $95.00.

Methamphetamine abuse is a significant problem in the United States. It is used by nearly 530,000 Americans ages 12 and older, but the effects are devastating to family and friends of addicts. In this book, the authors present topical research on the abuse, health effects and treatment options of methamphetamine. Some of the topics discussed include the effects of methamphetamine exposure during brain development on cognition and markers of cognitive function; what rodent activity can tell us about methamphetamine abuse; sigma receptors as a potential target for methamphetamine abuse and
dependence and methods for confirmatory analysis of methamphetamine in biological samples.

**ECOLOGY**

**Climate Change Programs and Activities: Analyses of Federal Funding**  
*Andre H. Anderson and Derrick J. Thomas*  
In series: *Climate Change and its Causes, Effects and Prediction*  
In series: *Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology*  
Case: 978-1-61942-760-0. $95.00.  
Climate change is a complex, crosscutting issue that poses risks to many existing environmental and economic systems, including agriculture, infrastructure, ecosystems, and human health. A 2009 assessment by the United States Global Change Research Program found that climate-related changes, such as rising temperature and sea level, will combine with pollution, population growth, urbanization, and other social, economic and environmental stresses to create larger impacts than from any of these factors alone. Funding for climate change activities is spread across the federal government. This book provides an analysis of federal funding for climate change activities and how these activities are organized.

**Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Strategy and Long-Term Recovery Plan**  
*Bradley F. Brown and Cody B. Davis*  
In series: *Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety*  
In series: *Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology*  
Case: 978-1-61942-781-5. $185.00.  
The Deepwater Horizon oil spill was one of the worst man-made environmental disasters our country has ever experienced. The oil spill dramatically affected the lives, jobs, and futures of millions of Gulf Coast residents. The Gulf of Mexico is a natural resource of vital importance which provides immeasurable benefits and services to citizens throughout the United States. The Gulf is also critical to nationwide commerce. This book examines the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Strategy and Long Term Recovery Plan with a focus on facilitating long-term vitality through restoring and conserving habitat, restoring water quality, replenishing and protecting living coastal and marine resources, and on making the Gulf of Mexico a healthier and more resilient place for the communities that depend on its wealth of resources.

**Oak: Ecology, Types and Management**  
*Cláudio Aleixo Chuteira and Abrahan Bispo Grão*  
In series: *Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology*  
Case: 978-1-61942-492-0. $195.00.  
This book presents current research in the study of the ecology, types and management of oak. Topics discussed include oak wood characterization with regard to chemical, physical and mechanical wood properties; the diversification of cork oak; the use of oak wood in the manufacture of barrels for preparing and aging wines; oaks and mycorrhizal fungi and the physico-chemical characterization and microbial adhesion of oak wood with other wood species.

**Riparian Zones: Protection, Restoration and Ecological Benefits**  
*Ahuva Kerem and Hagai Har-Even*  
In series: *Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety*  
Case: 978-1-61942-677-1. $95.00.  
Riparian zones encompass the stream channel and the adjacent portion of the terrestrial landscape from the high water mark toward the uplands, where vegetation might be influenced by elevated water tables or flooding. In this book, the authors present topical research in the study of the protection, restoration and ecological benefits of riparian zones. Topics discussed in this compilation include fire regimes, sand structure, fuel loads and fire behavior in riparian forests of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, USA; the ecological and socioeconomic stakes for conserving and protecting riparian forests in West Africa; ground water chemistry under riparian zones; and protection of riparian landscapes in Israel.

**ECONOMICS**

**A Bioeconomy Blueprint for the United States: Objectives and Select Elements**  
*Lawrence Gibson and Marshall A. Reynolds*  
In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*  
In series: *Biotechnology in Agriculture, Industry and Medicine*  
2012.  
Case: 978-1-62257-273-1. $110.00.  
A bioeconomy is one based on the use of research and innovation in the biological sciences to create economic activity and public benefit. The U.S. bioeconomy is all around us: new drugs and diagnostics for improved human health, higher-yielding food crops, emerging biofuels to reduce dependency on oil, and biobased chemical intermediates. The public benefit gained through biological research can be seen through the eyes of a patient who received a critical medication that did not exist a decade ago, a farmer whose higher-yield crops are turned into fuels, food, and intermediate chemicals, and a small-business owner...
whose innovative bio-based products are breaking new ground in manufacturing. Increased societal needs for food and energy, combined with new knowledge/discoveries in biology and new methods for harnessing biological processes, have dramatically increased the economic potential for the bioeconomy. This book explores the background, objectives and impacts of the U.S. bioeconomy to generate economic growth and address societal needs.

Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Loan Program, The
Andrew M. Wright and Harrison R. Scott
In series: Energy Science, Engineering and Technology
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012. 84 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-175-7. $52.00.
Congress has supported a wide range of research, development, and production incentives for new domestic energy sources for several decades, as part of an overall commitment to reduce imported petroleum and, in the case of automobiles, raise fuel-efficiency levels. The Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Loan Program is one such incentive program at the Department of Energy (DOE). This book discusses the history of the program, outlines the projects receiving loans, discusses some of the key issues, and reviews the U.S. motor vehicle industry's involvement.

America's Foreclosure Crisis: Causes and Responses
Russell Burns and Roy A. Foster
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-61942-271-1. $125.00.
The problems in the mortgage market are routinely referred to as a "foreclosure crisis" because the level of defaults and foreclosures greatly exceed previous peak levels in the post-war era and, as a result, have drawn comparisons to the levels of distress experienced in the Great Depression. This book contains a review of the academic literature and industry press on the root causes of the current foreclosure crisis, data and analysis of trends in the market, and policy responses and recommended actions to mitigate the current crisis and help prevent similar crises from occurring in the future.

American International Group (AIG) and the Federal Government's Assistance and Exposure
Christine N. Evans
In series: Advances in Engineering Mechanics
Edited by: Dr. Bohua Sun
In series: Neuroscience Research Progress
Case: 978-1-62100-580-3. $95.00.
In the fall of 2008, facing losses on various operations, AIG experienced a significant decline in its stock price and downgrades from the major credit rating agencies. These downgrades led to immediate demands for significant amounts of collateral. As financial demands on the company mounted, bankruptcy appeared a possibility. Many feared that AIG was "too big to fail" due to the potential for widespread disruption to financial markets resulting from such a failure. This book explores U.S. government assistance, exposure and recovery in relation to the "bail out" of AIG with a focus also on TARP.

Bank Regulation and the Use of Prompt Corrective Action
David Garcia and Mark J. Hall
In series: Banking and Banking Developments
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
2012. 95 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-149-8. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-166-5. $52.00.
The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act requires the Financial Stability Oversight Council to submit a report to Congress regarding the implementation of prompt corrective action (PCA) by the Federal banking agencies. This book discusses the existing PCA framework and the findings and recommendations of the Government Accountability Office study. It also highlights lessons learned from the financial crisis and outlines actions taken that could affect PCA, as well as additional steps to modify the PCA framework that could be considered.

Bankruptcy Exemptions: Homestead and Firearm Laws
Robbin Rhodes and Pete J. Lambert
In series: Laws and Legislation
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Soft: 978-1-61942-381-7. $47.00.
When debtors file for bankruptcy protection under Title 11 of the U.S. Code, they may exempt the value of certain property; in many cases, this includes their homestead. In practical terms, to the extent that the property's value does not exceed the allowed exemption amount, the debtor may keep the property rather than its becoming part of the bankruptcy estate and thereby being available to satisfy creditors. This book surveys the homestead exemption laws of the 50 states and the District of Columbia with an emphasis on the amount of the exemptions and the extent to which debtors may choose between federal and state exemptions.

Budget Control Act of 2011, The
Christopher G. Lynch and Cory McHale
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
2012. 159 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-035-9. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-038-0. $95.00.
The Budget Control Act (BCA) is the result of negotiations between the President and Congress held in response to the federal government having nearly reached its borrowing capacity. The BCA authorized increases in the debt limit of at least $2.1 trillion dollars (and up to $2.4 trillion under certain conditions), subject to a disapproval process that would likely require securing the support of two-thirds of each chamber to prevent a debt limit increase. It established caps on the amount of money that could be spent through the annual appropriations process for the next 10 years, which the CBO estimates will reduce federal spending by $917 billion. This book provides an overview of the essential features of the Budget Control Act, a history and recent increases of the debt limit and the potential effects on government operations.

Capital Gains Taxation: Effects and Proposals
Matt T. Zimmerman and Lyle L. Curtis
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Monetary, Fiscal and Trade Policies
Soft: 978-1-62081-076-7. $47.00.
This book examines the effects and proposals of capital gains taxation. Tax legislation in 1997 reduced capital gains taxes on several types of assets, imposing a 20% maximum tax rate on long-term gains, a rate temporarily reduced to 15% for 2003-2008, which was extended for two additional years in 2006. There is also an exclusion of $500,000 ($250,000 for single returns) for gains on home sales. Some believe that lower capital gains taxes will cost little compared to the benefits they bring and that lower taxes induce additional economic growth, although the magnitude of these potential effects is in some dispute. Others criticize lower capital gains taxes as benefiting higher income individuals and express concerns about the budget effects, particularly in future years.

Central Banking: Economic Considerations and Policy Goals
Betty F. Vang and Raphael H. Pate
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Banking and Banking Developments
Case: 978-1-62081-019-4. $95.00.
Keeping an economy growing over the long run at rates sufficient to provide full employment for labor and capital with low inflation or a stable price level has been an important goal for economic policy. Money and monetary policy have figured importantly in achieving this goal. Currently, it is argued, central bank independence is important to achieving this end. This book examines various indices of central bank independence to see how closely independence is related to such important performance characteristics of an economy as the rate of inflation, the growth of output, investment, and real interest rates.

Charitable Giving and Taxes: Benefits, Changes and Proposals
Ryan A. Maxwell
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-62100-696-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-719-7. $95.00.
Prior to the financial crisis and subsequent recession, the value of tax benefits for charitable contributions and organizations was estimated to be around $100 billion per year. About half of this cost arose from the deductions for charitable contributions with the other half from exemptions of earnings of nonprofits. In 2010, the deduction for charitable contributions results in an estimated $40 billion in federal revenue losses. On average, endowment investments in 2009 experienced losses, meaning that the federal government did not lose revenues from exempting assets returns from taxation. This book provides an overview of recent changes affecting tax-exempt and charitable organizations, while also discussing issues that may be of legislative interest in the future.

Computational Optimization in Economics and Finance Research Compendium
Constantin Zopounidis (Technical University of Crete, Greece)
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-928-9. $150.00.
During the last decades the globalization of financial markets, the intensifying competition as well as the rapid economic, social and technological changes, have led to an increasing uncertainty and instability in the financial and business environments. This new context has given a new rise to the role of economics and finance for the operation of firms and organizations. The contents of this volume cover a wide range of topics, including among others stock market applications, banking management, corporate performance, as well as macroeconomic issues.

Construction Sector in the U.S. Economy, The: Elements and Employment Analyses
Nelson M. McDonald and Claude A. Marshall
In series: Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2012. 102 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-893-5. $47.00.
The construction sector is a major component of the U.S. economy. During the past decade, construction was a prime beneficiary of low interest rates and the housing-led economic boom, but was also one of the largest casualties of the subsequent financial crisis. There are three major segments of the construction sector: residential, commercial, and industrial/heavy construction. The segments have unique market characteristics and are subject to cyclical economic forces, though in somewhat differing ways. This book outlines the structure of the construction industry and describes congressional initiatives that affect the sector.

Deficit Reduction and Fiscal Policy: Considerations and Options
Donovan M. Kurt and Vern E. Witt
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Monetary, Fiscal and Trade Policies
Case: 978-1-62081-033-0. $125.00.
The federal budget has been in deficit since 2002, but became significantly larger in 2009. That year, the deficit topped $1 trillion for the first time ever. Relative to the overall size of the economy, budget deficits from 2009 to 2011 have been significantly larger than in any other year since World War II. This book examines and discusses the size of the projected budget deficit; how much the deficit would need to be reduced to return to long-term sustainability; President Obama's fiscal commission and other initiatives; and business investment and employment tax incentives to stimulate the economy.

Development Management in the Twenty-First Century
Kartik Roy (The University of Queensland, Australia), Sandip Kar (International Institute for Management Science (IIMS), India)
In series: Global Economic Studies
In series: Management Science - Theory and Applications
Case: 978-1-62100-699-2. $165.00.
This book highlights several important issues which policy makers as well as state and private sector agents are confronted with while implementing different types of programs to improve social and economic conditions for beneficiaries of these programs. However, the process of implementation of one development project may produce unfavorable effects on several other projects and on beneficiaries for some other projects. In such a situation, project implementing agents
will be required to take measures to ensure that adverse externalities stemming from the implementation of each project are minimized.

**Econometrics: New Research**

**Santiago A. Mendez and Ana Maria Vega**

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

Case: 978-1-61942-005-2. $140.00.

Two main purposes of econometrics are to give empirical content to economic theory by formulating economic models in testable form and to estimate those models and test them as to acceptance or rejection. Topics discussed in this compilation include an assessment of the econometric methods for program evaluation and a proposal to extend the difference-in-differences estimator to dynamic treatment; empirical estimations of FDI spillovers; econometric modeling of time to event data; regression and data envelopment analysis methods to assess practice efficiency and implication of instability on econometric and financial time series modeling.

**Economic Activity: Teleological Analysis**

**Paata Leiashvily (Tbilisi State University, Department of Economics, Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia)**

In series: *Caucasus Region Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*

Case: 978-1-61942-940-6. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-964-2. $95.00.

This book investigates the essence of economic activity and the form of its display in conditions of natural, market and regulated economy. The dialectic and teleological analysis of economic activity allows the authors to reveal the reflective relations between such fundamental economic categories as, production and consumption, supply and demand, product and resource, cost and utility, profit and saving, expansion and recession, etc. The revealing of the interdependence between specified categories allows the authors to understand more deeply the essence of economic processes, logic of formation of business cycles, and to create adequate model of economy. This book is intended for lecturers and students of economic profile, as well as experts interested in problems of economic theory.

**Economic Performance**

**Richard K. Benson (Editor)**

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

Case: 978-1-61324-702-0. $95.00.

In this book, the authors present current research from across the globe in the study of economic performance. Topics discussed include systematic monitoring of the functioning of key goods and services markets; the links between internal migration and financial performance of local authorities; an evaluation of the ECB policy response to changing economic conditions in Euro area member states; environmental management accounting to support economic and environmental improvement; the world economic crisis of 2008 and its impact on housing development in sub-Saharan Africa and transportation as an integrative part of market growth economies.

**Economics of Commodities and Commodity Markets**

**Alexander G. Tvalchrelidze (Tbilisi, Georgia)**

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

Soft: 978-1-62257-786-6. $89.00.

This book gives a detailed monographic description of the main commodities: crude oil, natural gas, coal, uranium, iron, manganese, aluminum, chromium, nickel, cobalt, titanium, copper, lead, zinc, gold, silver, platinum group metals, rare metals including molybdenum, tungsten and tin, industrial minerals, diamond and gems, food commodities and livestock. This book includes characteristics of the world's crude oil and natural gas network, information on crude oil, LNG, and coal ports and terminals, tanker and LNG fleet, new world pipeline projects, etc. Information on geopolitics and geoeconomy of commodities as well as comparative and correlation analysis of commodity prices are also given.

**Economics of Competition**

**Georg Leismulmer and Elias J. Schimpf**

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*

2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-416-2. $95.00.

According to conventional economic wisdom, it is believed that the beneficial functioning of competition is not secured spontaneously but must be supported by state action, i.e., specific antitrust laws and agencies. Hence, competition is regarded as an instance in which the visible hand of the state is believed to be needed in order to enable the invisible hand of the market to function more effectively. Topics discussed in this book include the competition and antitrust policy in the Austrian economic perspective; competition in the pharmaceutical market in Austria; a study of the greed factor in capitalism; consumption behaviors in a vertical differentiation model; the effects of mergers in the retail sector; and market competition with irrational agents.

**Economics of Innovation, Incentives and Uncertainty**

**Patrick E. Simmons and Samuel T. Jordan**

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*

Case: 978-1-62257-251-9. $150.00.

The authors have gathered research from across the globe in the study of the economics of innovation, incentives and uncertainty. Topics include incentives for SMEs in the European Union; technology innovation and economic success in Japanese manufacturing firms; nonpoint pollution policy in the presence of uncertainty; the use of DEA-DA for corporate value assessment; the impact of system of trade preferences (non-reciprocal) on development outcomes in beneficiary economies; the innovation and export activity causal link; uncertainty in the labor and financial markets and the sluggish U.S. macroeconomic performance; the implications of strategic delegation in a mixed oligopoly model; monetary uncertainty and the demand for money in the U.S.; and bonus/promotion schemes as incentives.

**Economics of Regulation and Outsourcing**

**Fabiano E. Molinelli and Leonardo S. Paccagnella**

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*

2012.

In this book, the authors present current research from across the globe in the study of the economics of regulation and outsourcing in the global economic perspective. Topics discussed in this compilation include how bank market power and market structure affect economic volatility; alternatives to traditional regulation, such as commitments...
on a voluntary basis, which may encourage companies to innovate and respond to environmental challenges; CO2 mitigation instruments in the transport sector; outsourcing and administrative models in Western Europe; bilateral oligopoly in the wholesale electricity market; regulating informational imperfections and market failures in the insurance market; the economics of good communication in outsourced and off-shore call centers; the role of power and dependence in outsourcing; and the movement to outsource operations in industrial environments.

**Economics of Taxation: Normative and Positive Theories**

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In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

2012. 146 pp.

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taxation is a very broad field of research in economics. Taxes have an impact on economic agents in every-day life and modify their behaviors and choices. Consumers are influenced by consumption taxes when they decide which product to buy, firms must evaluate the effects of taxation on their financial choices in order to choose the right source of financing, and the decision about how to locate their production. Politicians bring topics such as the road pricing and the parking tariffs into their electoral campaigns. Finally, governments are worried about the effects of harmful tax competition, caused by capital outflows and by the escape of tax base towards tax heavens. This new book presents and discusses the topic of the economics of taxation.

**Emerging macroeconomics. Case studies - Central and Eastern Europe**

*Socol Cristian (University of Economics Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania)*

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**Employment-Based Immigration: Economic Considerations**

*Clark M. Butler and Warren E. Rogers*

In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*

2012. 133 pp.

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The Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) specifies a complex set of numerical limits and preference categories that include economic priorities among the criteria for admission. The INA allocates 140,000 visas annually for employment-based legal permanent residents (LPRs), and they were 14.2% of the total 1.0 million LPRs in 2010. The INA further specifies that each year, countries are held to a numerical limit of 7% of the worldwide level of U.S. immigrant admissions, known as per-country limits or country caps. Even as U.S. unemployment levels remain high, some employers assert that they continue to need the "best and the brightest" workers, regardless of the country of birth, to remain competitive in a worldwide market and to keep their firms in the United States. While support for the option of increasing employment-based immigration may be dampened by economic conditions, proponents argue it is an essential ingredient for economic growth. This book provides an overview of employment-based immigration and its economic considerations.

**European Union: Economic and Political Developments**

*Eugenio Favero and Carmela De Filippis*

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This book presents current research in the study of the European Union (EU). Topics discussed include European Union enlargement and Turkey's accession negotiations; maritime policy and economic performance in the European Union; The Lisbon Treaty and the EU's reform process; European parliament and climate change and the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS).

**Externality: Economics, Management and Outcomes**

*Srinivasan Sunderasan (Kuvempunagar, India)*

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**Federal Budget Breakdowns by Superfunctions and Subfunctions: Select Analyses**

*Simon F. Mathis and Ivory B. Hewitt*

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In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

2012. 71 pp.

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Discussions about the appropriate levels of spending for various policy objectives of the federal government have played an important role in congressional deliberations over funding measures for FY2011, and are expected to play a central role as Congress considers decisions affecting the FY2012 budget. This book provides a graphical overview of historical trends in discretionary budget authority from 1976-2010, with estimates for 2011 spending, and the levels consistent with congressional deliberations over funding measures for FY2011, and are expected to play a central role as Congress considers decisions affecting the FY2012 budget. This book provides a graphical overview of historical trends in discretionary budget authority from 1976-2010, with estimates for 2011 spending, and the levels consistent with congressional deliberations over funding measures for FY2011, and are expected to play a central role as Congress considers decisions affecting the FY2012 budget. This book provides a graphical overview of historical trends in discretionary budget authority from 1976-2010, with estimates for 2011 spending, and the levels consistent with President Obama's proposals for 2012-2016.

**Federal Budget Control: A Balanced Budget Amendment or Statutory Limits?**

*Darren Groff and Blaine Rutherford*

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Soft: 978-1-61942-051-9. $52.00.
One of the most persistent political issues facing Congress in recent decades is whether to require that the budget of the United States be in balance. Although a balanced federal budget has long been held as a political ideal, the accumulation of large deficits in recent years has heightened concern that some action to require a balance between revenues and expenditures may be necessary. The debate over a balanced budget measure actually consists of several interrelated debates. Most prominently, the arguments of proponents have focused on the economy and the possible harm resulting from consistently large deficits and a growing federal debt. Another issue involves whether such a requirement should be statutory or made part of the Constitution. This book provides an overview of the issues and options that have been raised during prior consideration of proposals for a balanced budget constitutional amendment with a focus on statutory limits on total spending as a method of budget control.

Federal Taxes and Families: Policies and Analyses
Tracey I. Owens and Rene O. Reynolds
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-61942-864-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-905-5. $95.00.
This book examines the current federal income tax laws which differentiate among families by type and structure in several ways. This differentiation has changed considerably over the years and includes personal exemptions, standard deductions, rate schedules, and various other features such as child care credits, age exemptions, and earned income credits. Discussed also is the legislative history of the Child Tax Credit; dependent care tax benefits; the major provisions of the federal estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer taxes; and tax benefits for the adoption of children through federal grants to states and through the tax code.

Financial Crises: Causes, Management and Economic Impact
Karl Farmer (University of Graz, Department of Economics, Germany)
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
Case: 978-1-62257-296-0. $150.00.
Financial crises aggravated by high-leveraged financial institutions and/or heavily indebted private agents occur rarely but their economic impacts are severe: firms go bankrupt, credit crunch emerges, unemployment rises dramatically and sovereign debts sour. Like severe natural disasters their forecast is difficult if not impossible. Nonetheless, the literature on financial crises, in particular on the global financial crisis 2007-2009, is already voluminous. The overall picture this literature is painting regarding the emergence and propagation of the latest crisis is rather well researched and main insights are broadly accepted. However, there are some specific aspects of crisis causation, crisis management and the economic impacts of severe financial crises which are not well addressed so far. This book discusses the topics of contagion in emerging stock markets during the Asian and Latin American crisis and the relationship between the executive compensation structure and the banks’ riskiness of asset portfolios.

Fiscal Impacts of Foreign-Born Residents in the U.S
Jake F. Wong and Andrea E. Love
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2012. 185 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-047-7. $125.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-059-0. $125.00.
This book examines estimates of fiscal impacts to the federal, state, and local governments of the foreign born who reside in the United States. It examines the academic and policy literature on fiscal impacts of two populations: all U.S. foreign born and unauthorized aliens. Computing such fiscal impacts involves numerous methodological and conceptual challenges, and resulting estimates vary considerably according to the assumptions used, including those about the time frame considered, the treatment of U.S.-born children, the unit of analysis used, and which costs and revenues are included.

Foreign Investment: Types, Methods and Impacts
Torre DeSare and Daniele Caprioglio
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Business Issues, Competition and Entrepreneurship
Case: 978-1-61470-358-7. $140.00.
Many governments are engaged in the attraction and facilitation of foreign direct investment (FDI) into their economies. The reason for this is that foreign-owned firms can generate a variety of positive impacts on their host economies, related to capital investments, employment creation and the generation of export revenues. In this book, the authors present current research in the study of foreign investments, including technology gaps, agglomeration and FDI spillovers; globalization and the rise of logistical foreign direct investments in Italy; comparison of FDI and domestic producer firms; the risk management strategy of foreign direct investment, political risk and corporate social responsibility and the effect of inward FDI on economic growth in the League of Arab States.

Globalisation, Governance and Ethics: New Managerial and Economic Insights
Jacques-Marie Aurifeille, Christopher J. Medlin, Clement A. Tisdell, Jaime Gil Lafuente and Jaime Gil Aluja (University of French Polynesia, France)
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Global Economic Studies
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The globalisation of commerce and science means that new structures of governance are required to handle new and novel situations, such as across state and institutional boundaries. Sound governance, including elements that encourage foresight, is an important ingredient of managing global and local crisis situations. These crises are ever more apparent as a result of interdependence between consumer, firms and states across the world, especially with the ever increasing advent of instantaneous and low cost communication. This book examines the role of governance in local and multi-national businesses and in local, national and international political forums and organisations.
Governance Risks in Organizations: A Clinical Approach with Tools for Decision-Making
Rodolfo Apreda (Universidad del Cema (Ucema), Buenos Aires, Argentina)
In series: Global Economic Studies
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
2012.
Case: 978-1-62100-412-7. $110.00.
The purpose of this book is to get the reader acquainted with the basic features that run through the fields of corporate, public and global governance; to introduce the new subject of Governance Risks, within the context of organizations in a global economy; to provide a set of tailor-made tools and make them operational, so as to cope with governance risks. It also provides a clinical approach to diagnose and treat governance failures, the incremental cash-flow model that strongly articulates with the clinical approach, the index of governance performance, from which the metrics of governance risks evolves eventually. This book conveys a self-contained treatment based on step-by-step learning, from the basics of the subject through building blocks that deal with tools for decision-making, and ending up with the Governance-Risk Scoreboard.

Human Capital and Resources: Developments, Management and Strategies
Michael F. Rizzo and Andrea Gallo
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: Global Economic Studies
Case: 978-1-61470-898-8. $140.00.
In this book, the authors gather current research in the study of human capital and human resource management. Topics discussed include managing multicultural and human resources; human capital costs and absenteeism among employees with health conditions; educational mismatch in the Chinese labor market; human capital effects on the growth of nations and firms; strategies for professional training of human resources in a globalized economy and the relationship between human capital, life expectancy, and economic development.

Impacts of Offshoring on Jobs and Small U.S. Manufacturers
Jonathan S. Krekl
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-60876-064-0. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-398-4. $95.00.
Offshoring, also known as offshore outsourcing, is the term now being used to describe a practice among companies located in the United States of contracting with businesses beyond U.S. borders to perform services that would otherwise have been provided by in-house employees in white-collar occupations. The term is equally applicable to U.S. firms offshoring the jobs of blue-collar workers on textile and auto assembly lines, for example, which has been taking place for decades. The extension of offshoring from U.S. manufacturers to service providers has heightened public policy concerns about the extent of job loss and foregone employment opportunities among U.S. workers. This concern is especially pertinent to policymakers because of a national unemployment rate persistently exceeding 9% despite the end of the latest recession. This book discusses the impacts of offshoring on jobs and small U.S. manufacturers.

Income and Wealth Distribution: Perspectives and Considerations
Fred J. West and Adam L. Ellis
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Case: 978-1-62257-295-3. $110.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-308-0. $110.00.
Approaching three years into the recovery from the 2007-2009 recession, the unemployment rate remains over 8%. The persistent difficulty of many of the workers who lost jobs to find reemployment has meant reduced incomes for them and their families. A historically slow rebound in the labor market appears to be partly responsible for some groups' focus on the distribution of the benefits of economic growth and for some policymakers' interest in redistributing income through the tax code. Varying perceptions about a trade-off between economic growth and income equality appear to underlie longstanding congressional deliberations about such policy issues as the progressivity of income tax rates, the tax treatment of capital gains, and the adjustment of the federal minimum wage. This book presents recent analysis of the distribution of income and the extent of income mobility in the United States over time and in comparison with other advanced economies.

Income Inequality: An Alarming U.S. Trend
Ruth D. Alford and Rod Reilly
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-511-8. $95.00.
This book examines real (inflation-adjusted) average household income, from 1979 to 2007 (because those endpoints allow comparisons between periods of similar overall economic activity as they were both years before recessions). During that period, the evolution of the nation's economy and the tax and spending policies of the federal government and state and local governments had varying effects on households at different points in the income distribution. The share in income accruing to higher-income households increased, whereas the share accruing to other households declined. As a result of that uneven income growth, the distribution of after-tax household income in the U.S. was substantially more unequal in 2007 than in 1979.

Inflation and the Consumer Price Index: Costs and Considerations
Ethan L. Green and Amber N. Walker
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-705-1. $95.00.
Since the end of World War II, the United States has experienced almost continuous inflation - the general rise in the price of goods and services. The costs of inflation are related to its rate, the uncertainty it engenders, whether it is anticipated, and the degree to which contracts and the tax system are indexed. A major cost is related to the inefficient utilization of resources because economic agents mistake changes in nominal variables for changes in real variables and act accordingly. This book examines the causes, costs, and current status to the economy from inflation with a focus on the Consumer Price Index.
Index; food price inflation and consumers; and inflation-indexing elements in federal entitlement programs.

**Interest Rates: Theory, Reality and Future Impacts**
*Yasuo Nishiyama (Woodbury University, Burbank, CA, USA)*
In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*  
In series: *Financial Institutions and Services*  
Soft: 978-1-61324-720-4. $65.00.  

Interest rates are directly related to our lives. When interest rates are high, we hold less cash and more interest-bearing assets because we face a high opportunity cost of holding cash. Interest rates are directly related to the economy. When interest rates are high, there are not as many viable opportunities for firms to invest as when they are low, leading to a lower level of investment and a lower level of economic activities. Interest rates are directly related to the objectives of countries’ monetary policy. This book, entitled “Interest Rates: Term Structure Models, Monetary Policy and Prediction” sheds light on selected aspects of this multifaceted role of interest rates. Topics discussed include term structure models; policy interest rates and the usefulness of interest rates as a predictor.

**International Corporate Taxation: Considerations and Comparisons**
*Miranda L. Brady and Samantha C. Hansen*
In series: *Global Economic Studies*  
2012. 159 pp.  
Case: 978-1-62100-501-8. $95.00.  
e-book: 978-1-62100-573-5. $95.00.

Recent deficit reduction and tax reform plans have included broad proposals to reform the U.S. international corporate tax system. These proposals have raised concerns over how changing the way American multi-national corporations are taxed could impact the deficit and debt, domestic job markets, competitiveness, and the use of corporate tax havens, among other things. An informed debate about how to reform the system governing the taxation of U.S. multi-national corporations requires careful consideration of these issues, as well as a basic understanding of several features of the current system. This book provides a general introduction to the basic concepts and issues relevant to the U.S. international corporate tax system and with a focus on how other countries have used tax reform to help their companies compete in the global market and create jobs.

**International Economic Cooperation: Institutions, Funds, and Banks**
*Holden J. Murray and Eston E. Baker*
In series: *Global Economic Studies*  
In series: *Financial Institutions and Services*  
Case: 978-1-62081-842-8. $135.00.  

The Group of Twenty, or G-20, is a forum for advancing economic cooperation among 20 major advanced and emerging-market countries. The G-20 was originally established to facilitate discussions among the G-20 finance ministers. The prominence of the G-20 increased with the onset of the global financial crisis in the fall of 2008, and the G-20 started meeting at the leader level. In September 2009, the G-20 leaders announced that, henceforth, the G-20 would be the “premier” forum for international economic cooperation. This book examines the major G-20 commitments that could influence or shape the policy and legislative agenda for international economic coordination; background and issues of the International Monetary Fund (IMF); the Paris Club and international debt relief; multilateral development banks; international climate change financing; international environmental financing; and the World Bank Group energy sector strategy.

**Investing in Women for America's Economic Benefit**
*Jazmin Henrickson and Lillian O'Connell*
In series: *Women's Studies*  
In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*  
Case: 978-1-62100-053-2. $185.00.  

As the nation charts a course out of the Great Recession and towards a brighter tomorrow, women’s participation in the labor market and power over household purchases will be critical for economic growth. Women comprise half the workforce, and receive the majority of bachelor's degrees granted today. Women's earnings are crucial for family well-being, women's purchasing power drives the economy and women’s leadership in the boardroom is a proven boon for businesses’ bottom line. Because of all this and more, investing in women means investing in the nation as a whole. This book provides a comprehensive overview on women's position in the economy today. Decades of progress mean women are poised to lead the nation’s next chapter of economic growth. Yet roadblocks remain and these blockades are hampering women's ability to reach their full economic potential.

**Job Leave Benefits: Types, Policies and Laws in the U.S**
*Randy J. Hill and Scott S. Turner*
In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*  
Soft: 978-1-62100-829-3. $47.00.  

In addition to their jobs, workers have obligations (civic, familial, and personal) to fulfill that sometimes requires them to be absent from the workplace (e.g., to serve on a jury, retrieve a sick child from day care, or attend a funeral). The U.S. government generally has allowed individual employers to decide whether to accommodate the non-work activities of employees by granting them leave, with or without pay, rather than firing them. In other countries, national governments or the international organizations to which they belong more often have developed social policies that entitle individuals to time off from the workplace (often paid) for a variety of reasons (e.g., maternity and vacations). This book examines the incidence of different types of paid leave that U.S. employers voluntarily provide as part of an employee's total compensation.

**Labor Issues and Policies in the U.S**
*John E. Harrison*
In series: *Professions, Training, Education and Demographics*  
In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*  
2012. 194 pp.  
Case: 978-1-61122-689-8. $110.00.  

This book presents and discusses information on a variety of labor issues and policies. Topics discussed include (among others) outsourcing and insourcing jobs in the U.S. economy; immigration of foreign workers; trade adjustment assistance for workers; project labor agreements; and employment assistance for veterans.
Labor Market Inequality and Public Policies
Samir Amine (University of Quebec and Senior Research Fellow at The Interuniversity Center of Public Policies (CIRANO), Montreal, Canada)
In series: Global Economic Studies
Soft: 978-1-62081-299-0. $52.00.
This book discusses the equity versus efficiency approach emphasizing the importance of incentives that would predict a positive relationship between inequality and economic growth. This view was challenged in the 1990s by the incomplete markets and political outcomes theories, because of increasing empirical evidence of an inverse relationship between income inequality and economic growth.

Millenium Challenge Corporation: Economic Assistance for Developing Nations
Lautaro B. Rojas
In series: Global Economic Studies
Case: 978-1-62100-584-1. $185.00.
This book explores the Millennium Challenge Corporation which provides economic assistance to developing nations. The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), now in its seventh year of operations provides aid to developing countries that have demonstrated a commitment to ruling justly, encouraging economic freedom and investing in people. MCC provides assistance to eligible countries through multiyear compact agreements to fund specific programs targeted at reducing poverty and stimulating economic growth. MCC has received appropriations for fiscal years 2004 through 2010 totaling about $9.5 billion and has set aside about $8.1 billion of this amount for compact assistance.

National Infrastructure Bank: Concept and Proposals
Jonathan M. Moore and Thomas J. Lee
In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit
Case: 978-1-62081-108-5. $95.00.
The central policy objective of a national infrastructure bank is to increase investment in infrastructure. Greater investment is desired because high-quality, well maintained infrastructure is believed to increase private-sector productivity and improve public health and welfare. The magnitude of the increased productivity, however, is not settled, as empirical analysis does not always support the conjecture that greater infrastructure investment uniformly generates productivity gains. The type of infrastructure and the type of investment are critical elements in such an assessment. This new book provides an overview of the infrastructure bank concept and some examples of existing infrastructure financing mechanisms. Discussed also are select legislative proposals for infrastructure banks, and the federal role in financing these proposals.

Politics and Economics of North America
Natalie R. Kazacks
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues

Progress in Economics Research. Volume 25
Albert Tavidze
Case: 978-1-61470-740-0. $140.00.
This series spans the globe presenting leading research in economics. International applications and examples of economic progress are invaluable in a troubled world with economic booms bursting like so many penny balloons. Topics discussed include making free trade fair; the technology trade and NAFTA; the global financial crisis and net interest rate margins; the impact of the first home buyer tax credit on the U.S. housing market; the impact of a trade embargo on prices and product quality and a study of foreign direct investment stock contribution to output growth in the U.S. economy.

Progress in Economics Research. Volume 26
Albert Tavidze
Case: 978-1-61942-981-9. $140.00.
This series spans the globe presenting leading research in economics. International applications and examples of economic progress are invaluable in a troubled world with economic booms bursting like so many penny balloons. Topics discussed include government and individual strategy for dealing with the increasing post-retirement life expectancy; emergent money and economic cycles; global poverty; modeling the factors that determine the phenomenon of corruption in the Mediterranean and Balkan region; examining the EU-27's international migration distribution; debt in retirement; and corruption and economics.

Real Estate Appraisals: Oversight and Improvement Opportunities
Paul J. Patterson and Maria L. Hayes
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives 2015.
Case: 978-1-62257-715-6. $110.00.
Real estate valuations, which encompass appraisals and other estimation methods, have come under increased scrutiny in the wake of the recent mortgage crisis. This book discusses the regulation of appraisers and provides information on related statutes and rules.

Regional and Urban Developments in Portuguese-Speaking Countries
Márcio Moraes Valença (Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, Campus Universitário-Logo Nova, Brazil) Fernanda Cravidão, Jose Alberto Rio Fernandes (CEGOT – Universidade do Porto)
In series: Urban Development and Infrastructure
The SMC has highlighted the Basel capital regulation in a stochastic dynamic setting. In particular, this created credit crunches and, ultimately, a global recession. This crisis has stymied credit extension to households and businesses outside of traditional banking institutions. Also, even though existing regulations supervise individual banks for safety and soundness, there are risks that do not reside with those institutions but may still adversely affect the banking system as a whole. Macroprudential policy refers to a variety of tasks designed to defend the broad financial system against threats to its stability. This book provides background and discusses the potential benefits and limitations of macroprudential policy efforts with a focus on systemic risk oversight and reform considerations.

Select Foreign Markets and Industries: Policies and Insights

Peter M. Luján

In series: Global Economic Studies

Case: 978-1-62100-133-1. $185.00.

This book explores policies and insights from select foreign markets and industries. Topics discussed include mortgage markets in selected developed countries; tax administration information on selected foreign practices that may provide useful insights; U.S. postal service and foreign postal strategies that could inform U.S. postal service's efforts to modernize food safety, as well as selected countries' systems that can offer insights into ensuring import safety and response to food-borne illness.

Stocks and Securities: Developments and Trends in the United States

Colin G. Allard and David Elwin

In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

Case: 978-1-62257-666-1. $110.00.

This book provides an overview of new developments and trends in the stock and securities markets in the United States. Topics discussed include the STOCK Act, insider trading, public financial reporting by federal officials, employee stock options, securities transaction tax, U.S. initial public stock offerings and the JOBS Act, and foreign investment in U.S. securities.

Subprime Mortgage Models: Subprime Mortgage Models

Mark A. Petersen, M.C. Senosi and J. Mukuddem-Petersen (North-West University, South Africa)

In series: Banking and Banking Developments

Case: 978-1-61728-694-0. $129.00.

The subprime mortgage and financial crisis has shaken the foundations of the financial industry by causing the failure of many iconic Wall Street investment banks and several prominent depository institutions. This crisis has stymied credit extension to households and businesses thus creating credit crunches and, ultimately, a global recession. This text describes some of the most important aspects of the subprime mortgage crisis (SMC) such as residential mortgage loan (RML) extension, RML securitization, subprime risks, bank bailouts as well as Basel capital regulation in a stochastic dynamic setting. In particular, the SMC has highlighted the fact that funding sources, credit risk, profit and valuation as well as capital are important financial economic factors. The main hypothesis of the book is that the SMC was primarily caused by design and complexity issues associated with subprime RML lending and securitization that, in turn, led to the loss of information and subprime risk opacity. The text also contains appropriate examples, discussions, timelines as well as appendices about the main results on the aforementioned topics. Numerous references point to the material not covered in the book, and indicate some avenues for further research. A working knowledge of discrete-time stochastic modeling and optimization is required in order to understand the key results. This text is one of the first to approach the SMC from a theoretical- rather than a numerical-quantitative viewpoint and is mainly intended for financial industry role players, researchers as well as university students and staff.

Sustainable Development: New Research

Jose Manuel Prado-Lorenzo and Isabel Maria Garcia Sanchez (University of Salamanca, Spain)

In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

In series: Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology

Case: 978-1-62081-903-6. $230.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-963-0. $230.00.

The concept of sustainable development refers to doing what is necessary to try and guarantee that future generations will also be able to satisfy their needs. Taking this idea as a reference, the different areas of public administration, the business world and society as a whole are trying to spread the idea of respect for our natural resources as widely as possible. This book analyzes the importance of sustainable development in optimizing our future, discussing and proposing new paradigms, procedures and techniques addressed on the one hand to improving lifestyles, well-being or quality of life, and sustainable business practices, among other things, and on the other to preserving natural resources and ecosystems.

Systemic Risk: Oversight and Reform Considerations

Jeffrey Banner

In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

Case: 978-1-62100-526-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-566-7. $95.00.

Recent innovations in finance, while increasing the capacity to borrow and lend, resulted in a large volume of banking transactions occurring outside of traditional banking institutions. Also, even though existing regulators supervise individual banks for safety and soundness, there are risks that do not reside with those institutions but may still adversely affect the banking system as a whole. Macroprudential policy refers to a variety of tasks designed to defend the broad financial system against threats to its stability. This book provides background and discusses the potential benefits and limitations of macroprudential policy efforts with a focus on systemic risk oversight and reform considerations.

Tax Cut Stimulus Options

Joseph D. Pellicane

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This book explores the tax cut stimulus options available in today's economic climate. Several tax cuts were discussed during considerations of fiscal stimulus in recent years, and the current
proposal of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This stimulus proposal includes individual tax cuts directed at lower and middle income individuals and also includes business tax cuts. Effectiveness of a tax cut for short run stimulus purposes is judged by the extent to which the tax cut increases private demand. A tax cut that is saved will have no short term stimulative economic effect. Thus, in general, tax cuts received by individuals will not be successful as short run stimulus if they lead to additional saving, and tax cuts received by firms will not be successful unless they lead to spending on investment.

The Changing Global Economic Landscape: Trends and U.S.-Centric Analyses

Stephen J. Palmer and Hudson E. Fisher
In series: Global Economic Studies

A small group of developing countries are transforming the global economic landscape. Led by China, India, and Brazil, these rising economic powers pose varied challenges and opportunities for U.S. economic interests and leadership of the global economy. They also raise significant policy issues for Congress, including the future direction of U.S. trade policy and negotiations, as well as for the multilateral economic institutions that have historically served as the foundation of an open and rules-based global economy. This book examines the ongoing shifts in global trade and finance and projected future trends resulting from the emergence of these economies.

The Elusive Search for Job Security: A Historical Inquiry into Dismissals in the US Workplace

Matthias Beck (The York Management School, University of York, Heslington, York, United Kingdom)
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

For the majority of employees in the US and elsewhere, their job is by far their most important property; with jobs providing not only a principal source of wealth, but also being a key source of social status and individual psychological well-being. While the US political system provides extensive protection to capital, it paradoxically offers only very limited protection to labor. This lack of protection is evidenced, above all, by the fact that the protection afforded to US workers against unfair, capricious or unnecessary dismissals is amongst the weakest of all industrialized nations. The primary agenda of this book is to map out the institutional choices, which have prevented the comprehensive, European-style, regulation of dismissal in the United States; and to explore how these choices have been supported, modified and maintained against attempts by US workers to secure greater job security. This book examines the issue dismissals and job security in a roughly historical order.

The Energy within Economics and the Bubble
Envelope Theory for Human Prosperity
Carlos A. Rossi
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices

It is a scientific fact that primary energy has always been one of the principal drivers behind the growth of human prosperity; it is also a scientific fact that its most efficient source, fossil based petroleum, is finite and subject to depletion. The economic fact that this book proves beyond doubt is that the unprecedented economic and financial problems that the world, particularly the high oil consuming nations, are currently facing are a result of the decreasing physical ability of the World to increase its capacity to produce more oil to power the demands of rising economic growth and population. This book is about examining the overwhelming importance of energy within the production, consumption, costs, growth and monetary creation of our modern economic system and human prosperity.

The Federal Reserve: Oversight and Transparency
Gerrie R. Conley and Adolf A. Sanford
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

Critics of the Federal Reserve (Fed) have long argued for more oversight, transparency, and disclosure. Criticism intensified following the extensive assistance provided by the Fed during the financial crisis. More specifically, critics have focused on the Government Accountability Office (GAO) audits of the Fed and the disclosure of details on the identities of borrowers and the terms of those loans. This book examines oversight and disclosure issues relating to the Federal Reserve with a focus on the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; QE 3; and Federal Reserve transparency.

Too Big to Fail or Systemically Important Financial Institutions
Barnett E. Harrison and Heathe Carter
In series: Financial Institutions and Services

Although "Too Big to Fail" (TBTF) has been a perennial policy issue, it was brought to the forefront by the near-collapse of several large financial firms in 2008. Financial firms are said to be TBTF when policymakers judge that their failure would cause unacceptable disruptions to the overall financial system. Financial firms can be TBTF because of their size or interconnectedness. In addition to fairness issues raised by preventing a TBTF firm from failing, economic theory suggests that TBTF causes a moral hazard problem. Moral hazard refers to the fact that if TBTF firms know that failure will be prevented, they have an incentive to take greater risks than they otherwise would because they are shielded from the negative consequences of those risks. This book discusses the economic issues raised by TBTF, the historical experience with TBTF before and during the recent crisis, an analysis of broad policy options, and policy changes made by the relevant Dodd-Frank provisions.

Trends in the Economic Well-Being of Female-Headed Households
Gabrielle Young and Donald T. Green
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

It is almost 15 years since repeal of what was the nation’s major cash welfare program assisting low-income families with children, the Aid
Unemployment: Issues, Trends and Perspectives
He Ping Wang and Bao Yu Ma
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Wages in America: Trends and Analyses
Eljah F. Joyner and Cary G. Stein
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U.S.-EU Regulatory Cooperation
William C. Ahrens
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U.S. Import Restraints: Economic Effects
Walton I. Mason and Jace O. Russell
In series: Trade Issues, Policies and Laws

Unemployment Trends Variables and Assist
Antone K. Hyde and Frederic A. Forbes
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives

Unemployment is cyclical and due to depressed aggregate demand. Varying patterns across labor markets indicate different unemployment. Policymakers must identify the causes of unemployment to design effective policies.
succeed today, America's children will need to be inventive, resourceful, and imaginative. The best way to foster that creativity is through arts education. This book explores the link between arts education and achievement with a focus on its decline and need for reinvestment.

Continuing Professional Development and Lifelong Learning: Issues, Impacts and Outcomes
Greg J. Neimeyer (Department of Psychology, University of Florida) Jennifer M. Taylor (Department of Psychology, University of Florida)
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
In series: Public Health in the 21st Century
Through a variety of diverse perspectives, the authors delve into critical issues related to lifelong learning and professional development and invite the reader to consider the roles and functions of continuing professional development, the problems and prospects associated with mandating it, and the continuing quest to translate effective learning into competent practice that is dedicated to the welfare of the consumer, on the one hand, and the generation of improved outcomes, at the other. Interested readers will range from current consumers to trenchant critics of the current health care system. Anyone interested in improving health care services and developing best practices will find ample food for thought in the pages of this book that can be applied to better evaluating and facilitating ongoing professional competence and health care outcomes.

Critical Thinking and Higher Order Thinking: A Current Perspective
Michael F. Shaughnessy (Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
Are we really serious about critical thinking? Are we really serious about higher order thinking? And are we serious about teaching students to think? And to evaluate, integrate, synthesize, compare and contrast? Some would say yes and some would say no, and others would hedge their bets and provide a long diffuse answer which rambles and circumvents the issue. Critical thinking is much like the weather; people talk about it, but very few people do anything about it. However, the authors of this edited book are out in the field, in classrooms, colleges, universities and libraries across the world trying to enhance critical thinking, promote it and assess and measure its growth and development.

Arts Education in America: Declines and the Need for Reinvestment
Baron T. Lewis and Terrence M. Lee
In series: Fine Arts, Music and Literature
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
2012. 139 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-844-7. $95.00.
Education in the arts is more important than ever. In the global economy, creativity is essential. Today's workers need more than just skills and knowledge to be productive and innovative participants in the workforce. Creative experiences are part of the daily work life of engineers, business managers, and hundreds of other professionals. To succeed today, America's children will need to be inventive,
national wealth.

This book contains chapters on education leadership, management and
governance in relation to schools in South Africa supplemented with
a chapter on gender issues in Zimbabwe. It has been fifteen years since a
new Constitution dawned, which promised a society based on the
people of South Africa, that recognized the injustices of the past and
would be built on fundamental human rights and justice for all no
matter their race, ethnicity, or economic power. South Africa has
moved a long way in developing a democratic society. The emergence
of this book is the result of a collaborative effort of people with diverse
cultural, social and ethnic roots, who share a common belief in the
development of a just and equal society, and who share a specific
interest in developing schools as a fundamental element in developing
this equal and just society.

Education Research: Challenges, Training
Techniques and Improvements
Benita Montaño and Aaron Chacón (Editor)
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing
World

Case: 978-1-61470-315-0. $95.00.

This book presents current research in the study of education, with a
particular focus on the training techniques for educators and
educational improvements. Topics discussed include connecting ethnic
minority parents to school; school development in Hong Kong early
childhood education; examining students’ attitudes to the mobile phone
as an educational tool; relevant literature to the training of educators;
instructional expenditures and accountability ratings; school and
classroom diversity effects on cognitive and non-cognitive student
outcomes; problem-solving as a component of the constructivist view
of learning and the call for educational game design patterns.

Education, Human Capital and Development
Kartick Roy, Mike Roberts, Ershad Ali (Auckland
Institute of Studies (AIS) St. Helens, Auckland, New
Zealand)

In series: Readings in World Development
Edited by: K.C. Roy (University of Queensland,
Australia)

2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-760-5. $85.00.

This book is the seventh title in the series Readings in World
Development, edited by Kartik C. Roy. In this volume he is joined by
co-editors Michael A. Roberts, Academic Director at AIS St Helens,
Auckland, New Zealand, and Ershad Ali, Director of the Centre for
Research in International Education at the same institution. Many
developing nations are poor in mineral wealth, other natural resources
and in financial investment infrastructure. Their most valuable
resource is a large labour force – their population. Unfortunately,
because of limited economic and technical ability, they are unable to
engage their labour force in productive activity. Human capital is the
ability of their population to engage in productive activity. Education
can be considered as an investment in increasing the efficiency of
human capital in much the same way that cultivation and fertiliser add
to the effectiveness of land use. It adds value to the human capital of a
nation, enabling it to be more efficient and effective in producing
national wealth.

Educational Policy in the Twenty-First Century
Rosemary M. Caron (University of New Hampshire,
Durham, NH, USA)
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing
World

Case: 978-1-62100-032-7. $165.00.

Education is a critical determinant for the continued success of
industrialized countries and for the potential of developing countries to
be realized and achieved. There are many determinants that are
instrumental to the progression of societies and access to education is
essential to this success. This book provides a global perspective on
selected areas of educational policies that address myriad aspects of
how we, as a population, can achieve what is a basic human right in the
twenty-first century. Educational policy is a dynamic field that many
countries place as a top priority for action since an educated population
is one that can be healthy and productive. This book highlights selected
areas of research, action and recommendations for policy development
that are applicable at all levels of education in many corners of the
world.

Effective Use of Visuals in Teaching in Higher
Education
Arianne Jennifer Rourke, Zena O’Connor, Kathryn
Coleman (College of Fine Arts, University of New
South Wales, Paddington, Australia)

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing
World

Case: 978-1-62081-442-0. $150.00.
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Research in recent years particularly in the realm of communication
skills in computer technology has supported the argument that students
should have multiple skills and forms of communication that
encompass the capacity to comprehend and convey information in
visual form. This book addresses this concern, by examining
specifically how visuals can be utilised in higher education to promote
meaningful enriched learning.

Effectively Implementing Information
Communication Technology in Higher Education in
the Asia-Pacific Region
Jim Peterson
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing
World


Over the last two decades, higher education in the Asia-Pacific region
has witnessed a greater rate of expansion in terms of new institutions
and numbers of students than any other region globally. In tandem with
this expansion, the use of information communication technology as a
central component in the higher education sector in the Asia-Pacific
region has also grown exponentially. This book documents a range of
policy, pedagogy and practice initiatives from countries such as
Thailand, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Australia, China, Indonesia, the
Philippines, Canada and Korea. It showcases innovation and
investigation, success, and, in some cases, outcomes from trials that
suggest the need to rethink and even revise a number of central
assumptions in the field of implementing information communication
technologies in higher education.
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: Reform, Reauthorization and Accountability Considerations

Daniel M. Brown and Audrianna Davies

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The effectiveness of the nation's schools is a concern at all levels of government. It is generally held that all students in elementary and secondary education should have access to quality public schools, providing all students with an opportunity to meet rigorous academic standards. This book examines the federal government's evolving role in supporting state and local accountability for elementary and secondary education and discusses how this role may continue to evolve or change during reauthorization.

Evidence-Based Education

Dennis Fung Chun-Lok and Valerie Yip Wang-Yan

(University of Hong, Hong Kong)

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World

2012. 149 pp.

Case: 978-1-61324-927-7. $95.00.

This book presents significant results from around the globe in selected areas of research related to evidence-based education, especially in Hong Kong (SAR), New Zealand, China, Korea and America. Specifically, recent enthusiasm for 'evidence-based' practice in education has brought a new sense of development in the aspects of teaching and learning in primary and secondary schooling. This volume attempts to shed light on the proceedings of this development regarding hierarchical school system, school-based management, effective pedagogies, outdoor educational experience and teacher attitudes in these different areas.

K-12 Education Challenges: Employees with Sexual Misconduct Histories and Students Who Change Schools

Andrew J. Hernandez and Seth L. Jordan

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World


Soft: 978-1-61942-870-6. $47.00.

This book examines the circumstances surrounding cases where K-12 schools hired or retained individuals with histories of sexual misconduct and determines the factors contributing to such employment actions. An overview of selected federal and state laws related to the employment of convicted sex offenders in K-12 schools is reviewed. Additionally, many challenges arise in educating students who change schools frequently. Research suggests that mobility is one of several interrelated factors, such as socio-economic status and lack of parental education, which have a negative effect of academic achievement. The recent economic downturn, with foreclosures and homelessness, may be increasing student mobility.

Learning Strategies, Expectations and Challenges

Maxwell Edwards and Stephen O. Adams

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World

2012. 190 pp.

Case: 978-1-62081-752-0. $150.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-797-1. $150.00.

In this book, the authors present current research in the study of learning strategies, expectations and challenges. Topics discussed in this compilation include an examination of the differences between an expert and a novice's ability to recognize design prototypes using a Visual Prototype Identity Model (VPIM); self-regulated problem solving implementation in the school curriculum; effects of academic confidence and gender in the perception of the teaching-learning process at the university level; strategies for supporting reflection in online learning environments; and collaborative learning in teaching.

Learning Unbound: Select Research and Analyses of Distance Education and Online Learning

Jason M. Olson and Brian M. Carroll

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World


Case: 978-1-61942-884-3. $125.00.

While distance education can use a variety of technologies, it has grown most rapidly online with the use of the Internet. Online distance education is currently being offered in various ways to students living on campus, away from campus, and across state lines. School offerings in online learning range from individual classes to complete degree programs. This book provides select research and analyses on distance education and online learning.

New Perspectives in Music Education in Slovenia

Olga Denac (University of Maribor, Faculty of Education, Maribor, Slovenia)

In series: Fine Arts, Music and Literature


Case: 978-1-61942-853-9. $140.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-856-0. $140.00.

This book brings an overview of the Slovene system of music education in general and music schools and compares it to the situation in some other European countries, through the entire vertical of music education. In particular, the focus is on the teaching and learning strategies applied in Slovene kindergartens, primary and secondary schools in the framework of modern curriculum planning which follows the objective-oriented and developmental models of planning as well as the holistic and global approach, taking into account the complexity of learning in cognitive, affective-social and motor dimensions of development. This book presents some models of culture and arts education in Slovenia, hoping that they would encourage a better systemic cooperation between educational and cultural institutions.

Pedagogy: New Developments in the Learning Sciences

Robyn M. Gillies (The University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia)

In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World

2012. 531 pp.

Case: 978-1-62100-846-0. $325.00.

This book brings together a diverse range of researchers to profile new pedagogical developments in teaching and learning. This includes pedagogies in the fields of mathematics and science education, literacy, computer supported learning, and specialist fields such as special education, indigenous education, music education and the...
learning processes and relationships that are evident in many of these fields. The emphasis in this book is on chapters that have a strong evidence-base for the work that is presented. While some will argue that the different fields have their own specific pedagogies, often referred to as pedagogical content knowledge (PCK) (Schulman, 1986), research also indicates that there are many pedagogies that are applicable across different disciplines. Teachers and educators need to be cognizant of how different pedagogies can be applied or used creatively in their own disciplines to promote understanding and learning.

**Progress in Education, Volume 28**

**Robert V. Nata**

In series: *Progress in Education*


Case: 978-1-62100-625-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-737-1. $95.00.

This series presents substantial results from around the globe in selected areas of educational research. The field of education is consistently on the top of priority lists of every country in the world, yet few educators are aware of the progress elsewhere. Topics discussed include teaching as integration of theory and practice; perspectives of Turkish pre-service mathematics teachers of elementary level on mathematics proofs; how effective are middle school teachers at improving student achievement; assessing teaching methods in undergraduate disciplines; motivation of German and U.S. teachers to become school principals and the art of science education.

**School Districts Use of Funds: Analyses of Expenditures and Income Factors**

**Richard J. James and Ryan A. Migne**

In series: *Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World*

2012. 139 pp.

Case: 978-1-62081-296-9. $110.00.

This book provides an analyses of expenditures and income factors relating to school districts use of funds. Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) requires that schools receiving funds under Title I receive state- and locally-funded services that, taken as a whole, are at least comparable to the state- and locally-funded services provided to non-Title I schools. The purpose of this comparability requirement is to ensure that federal assistance is not compensating for an inequitable distribution of state and local funds that benefits more affluent schools. The Title I comparability requirement allows school districts to demonstrate compliance in a number of ways, including through a district-wide salary schedule, policies to ensure equivalence among schools in certain types of resources, student-instructional staff ratios, and other measures, and does not require districts to use school-level expenditures.

**School Dropout Rates and Prevention Services and Programs: Trends and Data**

**Byron F. Walker and Ross J. Hall**

In series: *Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World*


Case: 978-1-61942-871-3. $110.00.

Dropping out of high school is related to a number of negative outcomes. For example, the median income of persons ages 18 through 67 who had not completed high school was roughly $25,000 in 2009. By comparison, the median income of persons ages 18 through 67 who completed their education with at least a high school credential, including a General Educational Development (GED) certificate, was approximately $43,000. This book builds upon a series of National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) on high school dropout and completion rates that began in 1988. It examines trends in dropout and completion rates over the last nearly four decades (1972-2011), and explores the characteristics of high school dropouts and high school completers. Also discussed are the dropout prevention services and programs in public school districts.

**Self-Efficacy in School and Community Settings**

**Shari Britner**

In series: *Perspectives on Cognitive Psychology*

In series: *Psychology Research Progress*


Case: 978-1-61470-828-5. $140.00.

Albert Bandura’s introduction of social cognitive theory moved the field of social psychology from viewing people as primarily reacting to events to viewing people as being active agents who interpret events and plan their future behaviors. Educators and psychologists have become so familiar with this view that we often lose sight of the groundbreaking nature of his contributions. Since his introduction of social cognitive theory, self-efficacy has become a central construct in research on human learning, motivation, and accomplishment in many domains. In this book, the authors present self-efficacy research in a wide range of domains, including high school mathematics and science, an undergraduate neuroscience research program, cultural intelligence education, computer self-efficacy, courtroom self-efficacy, and smoking cessation self-efficacy.

**Student Attitudes**

**Leehu Zysberg (Tel Hai College, Upper Galilee, Israel)**

In series: *Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World*


Case: 978-1-61470-474-4. $185.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-521-5. $185.00.

Why student attitudes? The answers vary because this field gives the reader an excellent example of the conceptual, methodological and applied benefits, as well as issues surrounding the general concept of ‘attitudes’, or maybe because we’re all students at certain points in our lives and therefore this issue pertains to us all. Whatever the reason, you, the reader, have picked this volume up and the subjects, findings and questions raised herein are going to be relevant to you and others around you. This book was planned with diversity in mind: diverse authors from all corners of the world presenting various fields of expertise; diverse target populations and students in elementary schools, college students or military personnel in training, as well as many other student bodies. The diversity of this book reflects the complexity and variety found in the field itself, as well as purposely designed to help the reader find their point of interest.

**Students and School-Based Physical Activity: Select Analyses**

**Edwin J. Rogers and Griffith L. Harvey**

In series: *Physical Fitness, Diet and Exercise*

2012. 133 pp.

Case: 978-1-62081-704-9. $110.00.

Physical activity is the most important strategy in any program aimed at preventing or reducing childhood obesity. In addition to its positive health benefits, research on physical activity among children also suggests a strong correlation between children’s fitness and their academic performance, as measured by grades in core subjects and scores on standardized tests. Moreover, some experts contend that
physical activity provides both personal and social benefits, including the development of leadership skills and increased self-esteem. Schools are uniquely positioned to be an access point for students to engage in physical activity through physical education classes and sports teams. This book examines the association between school-based physical activity and academic performance, including indicators of cognitive skills and attitudes, academic behaviors, and academic achievement; and the corresponding health benefits.

Teachers and Teaching in Vocational Education and Training Institutions: Reflections from Western Australia
Tess Martin, Tom O’Donoghue and Marnie O’Neill (University of Western Australia, Nedlands, Western Australia)
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
Case: 978-1-61470-560-4. $140.00.
This book has three main areas of focus. The first area of focus is the historical background to the place of ‘teachers’ who work in Western Australian Technical and Further Education (TAFE) colleges and their large Vocational Education and Training (VET) institutional counterparts. The second area of focus is the contemporary functions of these personnel, who have responsibility for providing a diverse range of training services to meet changing community, industry and individual needs. The third area of focus is the contemporary concerns of these personnel.

Young Adults with Disabilities: Post-High School Outcomes
David F. Morris and Christopher B. Allen
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
In series: Disability and the Disabled-Issues, Laws and Programs
Case: 978-1-61942-159-2. $215.00.
This book examines The National Longitudinal Transition Study-2 (NLTS2) funded by the U.S. Department of Education, which provides a unique source of information to help in developing an understanding of the experiences of secondary school students with disabilities nationally as they go through their early adult years. NLTS2 addresses questions about youth with disabilities in transition by providing information over a 10-year period about a nationally representative sample of secondary school students with disabilities who were 13 to 16 years old and receiving special education services in grade 7 or above. Information about these former secondary school students is examined to describe the experiences of young adults with disabilities in the postsecondary education, employment, independence, and social domains in their first 6-8 years out of high school.

Youth with Disabilities: Their Perceptions, Expectations, and Academic Performance
Michael Appleby and Joseph Stocker
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
Case: 978-1-61942-128-8. $185.00.
The National Longitudinal Transition Study-2 (NLTS2), was initiated in 2001 to provide a national picture of the characteristics and experiences of youth with disabilities, including their self-representations of themselves, their schooling, their personal relationships, and their hopes for the future. This book presents findings drawn from the first time data was collected directly from youth on these topics; they were ages 15 through 19 at the time (2003). The large majority of information reported comes from responses of youth with disabilities either to a telephone interview or to a self-administered mail survey, which contained a subset of key items from the telephone interview.

ENERGY

Energy Markets: Federal Financial Interventions, Subsidies and Tax Incentives
Ethen A. Tallie and Anita Burris
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices
In series: Energy Science, Engineering and Technology
Case: 978-1-61942-679-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-680-1. $95.00.
This book provides an analysis of direct federal financial interventions and subsidies in energy markets with a focus on subsidies to electricity production. The majority of energy produced in the United States is derived from fossil fuels. In recent years, however, revenue losses associated with tax incentives that benefit renewables have exceeded revenue losses associated with tax incentives benefiting fossil fuels. As Congress evaluates the tax code and various energy tax incentives, there has been interest in understanding how energy tax benefits under the current tax system are distributed across different domestic energy resources.

Global Clean Energy Cooperation: Opportunities and Benefits for the U.S.
Maxwell Lutz and Janet H. Eldridge
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices
In series: Energy Science, Engineering and Technology
Case: 978-1-61942-543-9. $95.00.
Pressing economic, energy security, and environmental concerns are driving rapid growth in global investments in renewable energy, energy efficiency, and other clean energy technologies. The U.S. government has an unparalleled opportunity to join forces with the private sector, international institutions, and other countries to accelerate this global clean energy market transformation and capture vital domestic benefits. This book examines how U.S. international clean energy leadership can produce enormous benefits domestically and internationally.

Oil Prices: Fundamentals, Fluctuations and Impacts
Jasper C. Mullen and Blaine M. Lynn
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-61942-485-2. $95.00.
High oil prices affect nearly every household and business in the United States. During the course of 2008, oil prices doubled to more than $145 per barrel and then fell by 80%. In early 2011, there was a run-up of about 20%, sending gasoline prices to near 2008 highs. This book provides background on financial speculation in oil, the workings
of oil derivatives markets, and the different types of firms that trade in those markets. Also discussed are the concepts of manipulation and excessive speculation, and the fundamental factors that affect oil prices.

The Clean Energy Standard Act: Policy Proposal and Impacts

Aaron C. K. Kim and Louis R. Ramos

In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices

In series: Energy Science, Engineering and Technology

2012.

Soft: 978-1-62257-327-1. $52.00.

U.S. policymakers have considered and deliberated on several policy designs that could potentially reduce energy-related carbon emissions. In his 2011 State of the Union address, President Obama proposed the concept of a Clean Energy Standard (CES) that would result in 80% of U.S. electricity generation from clean energy sources by 2035. In March of 2012, the Clean Energy Standard Act of 2012 (S.2146) was introduced in the Senate. The primary goal of S.2146 is to reduce carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from the U.S. electricity sector, which represents approximately 41% of total U.S. CO2 emissions. Generally, the approach used to achieve this goal is to require certain utility companies to source a portion of their electricity generation from qualified clean energy generators. Utilities located in either Alaska or Hawaii are exempted from CES requirements. This book examines the policy proposals and impacts of the Clean Energy Standard Act with a focus on compliance requirements and clean energy credits.

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Drew H. Henson and Lamare J. Teague

In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs

In series: Laws and Programs


Soft: 978-1-62081-056-9. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-081-1. $47.00.

This book describes the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, also known as LIHEAP, with a focus on funding, program rules and eligibility. LIHEAP was established in 1981 as part of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, and is a block grant program under which the federal government makes annual grants to states, tribes, and territories to operate home energy assistance programs for low-income households. States may use LIHEAP funds to help households pay for heating and cooling costs, for crisis assistance, weatherization assistance, and services (such as counseling) to reduce the need for energy assistance.

United States Energy Security

Brandon E. Mcdonald and Bobby R. Webb

In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices

In series: Energy Science, Engineering and Technology

2012.

Case: 978-1-62257-302-8. $110.00.

Energy plays a vital role in Americans' lives and in the U.S. economy as a whole, particularly in the provision of electricity, transportation, heating and cooling, and industrial processing - the four main energy-consuming sectors of the economy. This book examines the various commodities used to generate energy in the United States, focusing on the two largest energy-consuming sectors of the U.S. economy: electricity and transportation, and the differences in how they expose U.S. households and businesses to disruptions, either domestic or international, in the supply of energy.

ENVIRONMENT

Advances in Environmental Research. Volume 25

Justin A. Daniels

In series: Advances in Environmental Research

2012. 221 pp.

Case: 978-1-61942-556-9. $95.00.

This series covers leading-edge research focusing on the environment, including current research data on black carbon and microorganisms in aquatic systems; bamboo ecology, management and conservation; particulate problems in Delhi, India; the socio-economic effects of coastal environmental changes in Central Italy; lipo-polysaccharide endotoxins as emergent contaminants in reclaimed wastewater and landscape transformation in rural Italy and its economic effects.

Essays on Fundamental and Applied Environmental Topics

Dragutin Mihalovic (Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad, Novi Sad, Serbia)

In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety

In series: Environmental Research Advances


Case: 978-1-61942-522-4. $165.00.

To preserve this world for future generations, we must strive for sustainable development that meets the needs of the present without compromising future options and resources. The objective of this book is to bring together scientists and engineers working in research institutions, universities and academia who engage in the study of the theoretical, modeling, measuring and software aspects of the environmental sciences. It is intended to provide a forum for participants to obtain up-to-date information and exchange new ideas and expertise through the presentation of recent achievements in this field. A combination of professionals from a wide spectrum of different areas focused on theoretical, modeling and experimental approaches, including software design and measurements, in the environmental sciences.

Institutional Aspects of Water Management: Evaluating the Experience

Gamini Hearth (Monash University, Sunway Campus, Malaysia)

In series: Water Resource Planning, Development and Management


Case: 978-1-61470-395-2. $140.00.

In the last few decades, we have witnessed significant advancements in our understanding of the problems in the water sector in many countries and how it can impact on economic development. There is now consensus that a myriad of factors cause problems in the water and sanitation sectors and there is general recognition of the need to address these issues to achieve poverty alleviation, growth and development. Many countries are revising their water institutions, policy and legislation to fast track the achievement of more effective management of water resources. A re-evaluation of their own approaches provide a basis for prioritizing policies which if implemented have a greater chance of success in contributing to alleviating water scarcity and sanitation and improving the health and well-being of rural societies. This book presents current research in the institutional aspects of water management.
Land Use: Planning, Regulations, and Environment
Sérgio Freire, Klaus Steinnocher, Christoph Aubrecht (Foresight & Policy Development Department Regional and Infrastructure Policy AIT, Austrian Institute of Technology GmbH Donau-City-Straße 1, 1220 Vienna, Austria)
In series: Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology
In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety
Case: 978-1-62257-357-8. $150.00.
The edited book volume “Land Use: Planning, Regulations, and Environment” is a diverse compilation of ten chapters covering different facets of the field of land use research with a particular focus on planning aspects. The contributions were selected by the guest editors after passing a thorough peer review process involving selected international subject experts. Besides the planning component which is considered the central theme of the book volume, articles also address risk and climate change as well as local land use development and sustainable management aspects. Contributions include application-oriented case studies, as well as conceptual approaches and data simulation and modeling-driven elaborations. In terms of land use planning and its implications on society and the environment, recommendations are provided that show how proper strategies help in avoiding negative effects and provide improved decision support on multiple levels.

National Wildland Fire Management Strategy
Evan D. Hinkle and Michael J. Welsh
In series: Wildlife Protection, Destruction and Extinction
In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety
Case: 978-1-62081-083-5. $95.00.
The challenges of fire management are formidable and growing more complex. The Nation has diverse landscapes, demographics, and social values; and because of this, a national strategy must address these differences. This new book addresses the wildland fire management challenges across America with a focus on providing the framework for a strategic effort to restore and maintain resilient landscapes, create fire-adapted communities, and respond to wildfires. Additionally, this book examines the general science available for a risk-based approach to fire and fuels management and suggests analysis that may be applied at multiple scales to inform decision-making and tradeoff analysis.

Oil: Production, Consumption and Environmental Impact
Shuangning Xiu (Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Design, North Carolina A&T State University (NCA&T), Greensboro, NC)
In series: Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology
Case: 978-1-61942-877-5. $150.00.
This book provides comprehensive discussions on current oil issues from authors across the globe, including petroleum oil, biodiesel, and biomass derived bio-oil. Readers will find themes including new green materials for petroleum spill cleanup; state-of-the-art studies on wax precipitation problems during petroleum transportation; vegetable oils in the biodiesel industry; biodiesel production from inedible oils; the production, application, and economy of bio-oil from biomass-based feed stocks; advanced bio-oil production techniques; opportunities for biomass-derived “bio-oil”, and related waste treatment, emissions and environmental impacts. Bridging the gap between research and practical applications, this book is written for engineering professionals in the petroleum and biofuels industry, academic researchers working in bioenergy, bioprocessing technology and chemical engineering, as well as anyone interested in understanding this diverse and developing theme.

Mabel A. Young and Jack O. Barnes
In series: Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology
In series: Water Resource Planning, Development and Management
Soft: 978-1-62081-355-3. $52.00.
The Klamath River Basin on the California-Oregon border is a focal point for local and national discussions on water allocation and species protection. Previously, water and species management issues have exacerbated competition and generated conflict among several interests: farmers, Indian tribes, commercial and sport fisherman, federal wildlife refuge managers, environmental groups, and state, local, and tribal governments. As is true in many regions in the West, the federal government plays a prominent role in the Klamath Basin’s waters. This role stems primarily from (1) operation and management of the Bureau of Reclamation’s Klamath Water Project; (2)management of federal lands, including six national wildlife refuges; and (3)implementation of federal laws such as the Endangered Species Act. This book provides an overview of the issues in the Klamath Basin, with a focus on the federal government’s role in the region.

The Lacey Act: Federal Regulation and Protection of Wildlife and Plants
Gilbert E. Morgan and Deavon Hill
In series: Wildlife Protection, Destruction and Extinction
In series: Environmental Science, Engineering and Technology
Case: 978-1-62081-615-8. $110.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-661-5. $110.00.
The Lacey Act was enacted in 1900 to prevent hunters from killing game in one state and escaping prosecution by crossing state lines. It has evolved into a law that prohibits import, export, transport, purchase, or sales of species when that action would violate state, federal, tribal or foreign law. Congress amended the Lacey Act most recently in 2008, expanding the reach of the act to include timber and timber products. It also regulated the introduction of non-native species and prohibited shipment of wildlife without clear identification of the contents and shipper. This book examines the Lacey Act, with a focus on protecting the environment by restricting trade; compliance issues related to importing plants and plant products; the Lacey Act Amendment; and Lacey Act Primer.

The Station Fire: Lessons for Future Wildland Fire Management
Edgar L. Donahue and Dawn M. Elmore
In series: Wildlife Protection, Destruction and Extinction
In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety
Case: 978-1-62081-084-2. $95.00.
In 2009, a wildfire fire in the Angeles National Forest in California known as the Station Fire led to the death of two firefighters, destroyed 89 homes and dozens of other structures, and burned more than 160,000 acres. After escaping initial containment efforts, the Station Fire underwent periods of rapid growth and extreme fire behavior over the following several days, ultimately threatening thousands of homes in nearby communities. In response, the Forest Service and local agencies, deployed thousands of firefighters and hundreds of firefighting assets, including fire engines, helicopters, and air tankers. This book examines the key issues raised by firefighters, area residents, and others regarding the Forest Service's response to the Station Fire over the adequacy of firefighting assets, strategies, and tactics used.

Toxic Substances Control Act: Summary, Challenges and Reform Proposals
Shannon M. McDonnery and Cindy L. Elroy
In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety
In series: Chemical Engineering Methods and Technology
Case: 978-1-62100-783-8. $125.00.
Thirty-five years of experience implementing and enforcing the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) have demonstrated the strengths and weaknesses of the law and led many to propose legislative changes to TSCA's core provisions. The basic structure of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) of 1976 has never been amended, but recent legal, scientific, and technological changes are prompting some policy makers to reexamine the law. This book summarizes the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and the major regulatory programs dealing with chemical production and distribution in U. S. commerce.

Urban Developments in Brazil and Portugal
Márcio Moraes Valença (Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte; Centro de Ciencias Humanas, Campus Universitario- Brazil) Fernanda Cravidão and José Alberto Rio Fernandes (CEGOT – Universidade do Porto)
In series: Urban Development and Infrastructure
2012. 466 pp.
Several themes and perspectives are reunited under this collection of texts about urban developments in the Portuguese-speaking worlds of Brazil and Portugal. As each analyst tends to have a particular view on what the concept should refer to, the meaning attributed to the word ‘development’ in this book is also diverse. This is one of the reasons why it is written in its plural form: ‘developments’. The concept (or the word) is here used openly so that all efforts to define it are provisional, partial and elusive, considering the various national, regional, linguistic and scientific meanings pertaining to correlated facts and processes and according to the geo-historical context in which the term is used. In the title, the idea of ‘urban developments’ is also used to indicate evolution or novelty. The book is dedicated to discussing state-of-the-art urban research in Brazil and Portugal.

Wildfire Risk: Perceptions and Mitigation Options
Michael C. Marsh and Carla E. Zimmerman
In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety
Soft: 978-1-62081-222-8. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-229-7. $52.00.
Various factors have emerged to increase the risk of catastrophic wildfires in our National Forests. Years of suppression of natural fires, an increase in human populations living in and around the forests, changes in climate such as prolonged droughts, and beetle infestations are just some of those factors. With the rising occurrence of devastating fires, managing risk has become critical. This book provides background information to examine the ways in which different groups or disaster subcultures develop the mentalities or perceived realities that affect their views and responses concerning risk and disaster preparedness. Four risk beliefs and attitudes of individuals and groups from four geographic areas in the Southwest, surrounding the Kaibab, Tonto, Santa Fe, and Lincoln National Forests are presented.

ETHICS

Ethics Research Compendium
Peter M. Roberts and Emily O. Perez
In series: Ethical Issues in the 21st Century
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-747-7. $150.00.
This book present research in ethics with topics including a step-by-step guide to students; wellbeing and disadvantage; ethical disposition of accounting and business management students; collegiality of journals and self-citation on annual bibliometric scorings; trends of tainted publications and their authors' publication profiles; from bioethics to biopolitics and the limits of liberalism.

Human Subjects Research: Protecting Participants
Justin R. Ward and Larry O. Coleman
In series: Ethical Issues in the 21st Century
In series: Laboratory and Clinical Research
Human research serves to ensure the safety of new medicines, establish tolerable exposure levels for environmental and workplace hazards, and determine the effectiveness of new interventions in public health, education, and countless other fields. Without volunteers, these studies would be impossible to conduct. Recognizing society's responsibility of protect human subjects of research from avoidable harm and unethical treatment, the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues was asked to conduct a thorough review of current regulations and international standards to assess whether they adequately protect human subjects in federally supported scientific studies, no matter where they occur. This book explores the current policies and practices in places that ensure scientific research, health care delivery, and technological innovation conducted in a socially and ethically responsible manner.
Europe

Belarus: Developments, Relations and U.S. Interests
Alexander T. Gardner and Marcus Payne
In series: European Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-393-6. $110.00.
Belarusian President Aleksandr Lukashenko snuffed out Belarus's modest progress toward democracy and a free market economy and created an authoritarian regime shortly after being elected as president in 1994. His regime is a throwback to the Soviet era. Those advocating a stronger U.S. role in trying to bring democratic change to Belarus say that the country is important to the United States because Belarus is an obstacle to the U.S. goal of making Europe "whole and free." Another concern is Belarus's support for pariah regimes, including through arms sales. Relations between Belarus and the EU and United States have been particularly poor since Lukashenko's brutal repression of the opposition after fraudulent presidential elections in December 2010. The EU and United States have imposed strengthened sanctions against key Belarusian leaders, businessmen, and firms. Russia has taken advantage of this situation to increase its political and economic influence. This book examines new developments, relations and U.S. interests in Belarus.

Economic and Political Developments in Poland
Maureen P. Larsen (Editor)
In series: European Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61209-951-4. $89.00.
This new book presents and discusses political and economic developments in Poland. Topics discussed include Polish industry in the transformation period; the economic base of the major cities in Poland in the political and economic restructuring period; foreign investment capital in Poland; regions and regionalism in Poland; privatization of the Polish economy and Polish public opinion and the changing euro-debate.

Economic and Political Issues in Europe
Guglielmo Pedrotti and Louis Montagna (Editor)
In series: European Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012. 188 pp.
Case: 978-1-61470-454-6. $140.00.
This book presents current research in the study of economic and political issues in Europe. Topics discussed include house price determinants in Liverpool, United Kingdom; participatory democracy and civil society's role in governance in the perspective of the Lisbon Treaty; Transatlantic Regulatory Cooperation; long-range ballistic missile defense in Europe; current issues and updates in Greece and Bosnia and financial market supervision.

Economic Crisis in the Eurozone: Overview, Outlook and Analyses
Ellen F. Young and Tye D. Murphy
In series: European Economic and Political Issues
In series: Global Economic Studies
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-788-9. $110.00.
What started as a debt crisis in Greece in late 2009 has evolved into a broader economic crisis in the Eurozone that threatens economic stability in Europe and beyond. Many analysts consider the Eurozone crisis to be the biggest threat to the global economy, and some Members of Congress have expressed concern about the possible effects on the U.S. economic recovery. Analysts and investors are concerned that some Eurozone governments could default on their debt in a disorderly fashion; vulnerabilities in the European banking sector could trigger broad financial turmoil; the Eurozone could enter a protracted economic recession; and one or more countries could leave the Eurozone. The crisis has tested the solidarity of European Union (EU) member states and strained the capacity of EU leadership and institutional structures. This book provides a brief analysis of the Eurozone crisis and issues of particular congressional interest.

Financial and Macroeconomic Dynamics in Central and Eastern Europe: A Bayesian Approach
Editor: Petre Caraiani (Institute for Economic Forecasting, Romanian Academy, Bucharest)
In series: European Economic and Political Issues
In series: Global Economic Studies
2012. 177 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-245-7. $150.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-260-0. $150.00.
We approach the topic of financial and macroeconomic dynamics in Central and Eastern European economies using as an econometric paradigm the Bayesian methodology. This book consists of a selection of essays on relevant topics for current and future issues for Central and Eastern European economies.

How a Small State Expands: Grand Strategy and Greece's Territorial Expansion in the Balkans and Asia Minor
Estathios T. Fakiolas (University of Peloponnese, Greece)
In series: European Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62100-604-6. $165.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-648-0. $165.00.
How does a small state expand and secure territorial gains? Does its grand strategy merit concern? The conventional wisdom in international relations theory is that small states scarcely have autonomy in the choice of action, and that accommodation and compliance with great powers is the persistent pattern of their strategy in return for survival. This book takes issue with this understanding and sets itself to make sense of grand strategies that small states pursue to expand and consolidate the status quo. Combining the empirical originality and richness of archival evidence with a consistent framework for analysis, it brings the perspectives of grand strategy and the external-internal synthesis together in a theoretically-informed way to explore how the small Greek state between 1909 and 1920 was able to attain and consolidate a greater Greece of 'the two continents and the five seas'.

NATO: Membership, Operations and Enlargement
Daniel I. Gruev and Martin S. Dupont
In series: European Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-61470-463-8. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-532-1. $95.00.
The North Atlantic Treaty Organization or NATO is an intergovernmental military alliance based on the North Atlantic Treaty which was signed on April 4th 1949. The organization constitutes a system of collective defense whereby its member states agree to mutual defense in response to an attack by any external party. This book presents new developments in the membership, operations and enlargement of NATO. Topics discussed include enlargement issues at NATO's Bucharest Summit; NATO and the European Union; the NATO-Russia partnership and NATO common funds burdensharing.

**Nordic Countries: Economic, Political and Social Issues**

*Mathias L. Pedersen and Jakob Christoffersen*

In series: *European Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

Case: 978-1-61942-873-7. $150.00.

This book examines some of the economic, political and social issues facing the Scandinavian countries of Sweden, Finland, Norway and Denmark. Topics discussed in this compilation include Denmark's energy sector transition toward agro-biomass; Sweden's exchange-rate volatility trade with Germany; Norwegian quota reform in gender corporate representation; legislation, culture and development of quality child care in Denmark; ethnic relations and intercultural learning among Danish international workers; the 3-curve effect in commodity trade between Sweden and Germany; and occupational safety in Finland.

**Politics and Economics of Eastern and Central Europe**

*Salvatore D. Eanuzzi and Anthony V. Montrony*

In series: *European Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

Case: 978-1-61470-471-3. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-527-7. $95.00.

This book presents current developments in the study of the politics and economics of Eastern and Central Europe. Topics discussed include recent developments and U.S. interests in Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan; reunification troubles in Cyprus; U.S. policy concerns in Belarus; current issues and U.S. policies in Bosnia, Serbia and Kosovo; Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty; Poland's new government and issues for the United States and the April 2010 Coup in Kyrgyzstan.

**Portugal: Economic, Political and Social Issues**

*António José Bento Goncalves (Geography Department, Institute of Social Sciences, University of Minho, Guimarães, Portugal)*

In series: *European Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

Case: 978-1-62257-474-2. $150.00.

Portugal is a state of southern Europe, with Lisbon, the nation's largest city, as its capital. The mainland is located in the extreme southwest of the Iberian Peninsula bordering the north and east with Spain, and to the west and south by the Atlantic Ocean. The Portuguese territory also encompasses two autonomous regions: the archipelagos of Madeira and the Azores in the Atlantic Ocean. One of the oldest nations in Europe, Portugal has changed immensely over the past 40 years. The revolution of 1974, which established democracy, the decolonization, the negotiation and finally accession to the European Union and, most recently, the adoption of the Euro, have profoundly marked the past four decades and changed the entire structure of the country. This book outlines the present Portuguese economic, political and social issues of the new millennium.

**Trust and Substitutes for Trust: The Case of Britian Under New Labour**

*Nick Johns, Alison Green, Adrian Barton, Greta Squire (University of Plymouth, Plymouth, UK)*

In series: *European Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

Case: 978-1-61324-846-1. $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-035-7. $75.00.

This book is about trust as a political and cultural phenomenon set in the UK during the New Labour administrations of 1997-2010. There is a temptation to see the period between 2007 and 2010 as post-New Labour and that New Labour neatly corresponds with the stewardship of Tony Blair. We are not working with this understanding, rather we see the whole period defined by ‘New Labourism’ for want of a better term. Having tried to be as clear as possible about our scope and intentions, we now turn to a brief overview of why trust became (and remains) so critical in our chosen time and place.

**FINANCE**

**Computational Techniques in Economics and Finance**

*Constantin Zopounidis (Technical University of Crete, Greece)*

In series: *Studies in Financial Optimization and Risk Management*

Edited by: *Prof. Constantin Zopounidis (Technical University of Crete)*

In series: *Computer Science, Technology and Applications*

Case: 978-1-61324-558-3. $140.00.

The increasing volume of available data, the rapid advances in telecommunications, and the interrelationships of the global markets which are becoming stronger, create new challenges for researchers and practitioners in economics and finance. At the same time, the regulatory authorities are in a continuous attempt to establish effective rules for monitoring and regulating the global markets. As a result, the decision making process in economics and finance becomes more and more complex, thus requiring new advanced and sophisticated analysis methodologies to be developed and implemented. The contents of this volume cover a wide range of topics, including among others portfolio optimization, stock market prediction and trading, auditing, investment decisions, banking management and corporate performance.

**Encyclopedia of Finance Research (2 Volume Set)**

*Robert B. Gellar (Editor)*

In series: *Financial Institutions and Services*

In series: *Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World*

Case: 978-1-61209-958-3. $295.00.
This new book presents and discusses current research in the study of finance. Topics discussed include the role of foreign monetary authorities in the global economic crisis; volatility models; leader market indexes; the future of capital asset pricing models; corporate joint ventures; the relationship between business definition and corporate growth; accounting harmonization and financial pricing models; management accounting reforms and accounting, cyclicity and financial stability.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration: Assessments and Actions
Joe M. Wallace and Keith R. Barnes
In series: Banking and Banking Developments
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
Case: 978-1-62257-271-7. $110.00.
The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) was established as an independent government corporation under the authority of the Banking Act of 1933. The FDIC is funded through insurance assessments collected from its member depository institutions and held in what is now known as the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF). The proceeds in the DIF are used to pay depositors if member institutions fail. The credit union system has undergone a period of financial turmoil since the financial crisis began in 2007, resulting in an estimated $5 billion to $10 billion in losses to the 7,400 credit unions and the institutions that support them, known as corporate credit unions of corporates. This book provides an overview of the FDIC, recent status of DIF, and efforts to reduce the loss exposure and total risk to the fund. Also discussed is the recent status of the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) with a focus on assessments and actions undertaken to support the funds during the recent period of financial distress and other initiatives to maintain liquidity.

Financial Crisis in the Global Bubble Economy
Akinori Tomohara (University of California, Los Angeles, CA), Molly Sherlock (Congressional Research Service, Washington, D.C.)
In series: Global Recession - Causes, Impacts and Remedies
Case: 978-1-61668-339-9. $65.00.
Soft: 978-1-61470-597-0. $59.00.
This book provides a historical account of the current economic experience. The current financial crisis is the most severe economic crisis that most of today’s students and practitioners of economics have experienced. For many years to come, the current economic experience will be a case study in macroeconomic theory and policy making. Given the profound nature of the current economic crises, research and analysis pertaining to today’s economic woes will remain relevant for generations to come. This book will serve as a historical record of what has become a global financial crisis, and is therefore likely to be relevant for many years to come.

Financial Markets: A Guided Tour
Manel Antelo (University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain) David Peon (University of A Coruna, Spain)
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-62100-096-9. $75.00.

If there were still any doubts as a result of the financial crisis, which began in the summer of 2007 and had not ended at the beginning of 2011, everyone is now convinced, first abruptly and then painfully, of the extraordinary importance of financial markets in people’s lives and activities. For good or bad, consecrated by some and demonized by others, the markets have become key pillars of modern economies. To a large extent, the crisis has made it clear that financial knowledge, such an important aspect of our economies and our environment, is scant. Perhaps because almost no one, including consumers and providers for different reasons, had much interest in changing the situation. The time has come to tackle the dissemination of financial knowledge from a new, rigorous and solid scientific perspective. This book examines various financial markets and the challenges they face in today’s economy.

Financial Stability Oversight Council: Overview and Select Studies
Brian Robinson and Joan M. Adams
In series: Business Economics in a Rapidly-Changing World
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
Case: 978-1-62081-148-1. $195.00.
The Financial Stability Oversight Council (FSOC) was created by the Dodd-Frank Act (DFA) in 2010 as part of a comprehensive reform of banking and securities market regulators. The council is charged with monitoring systemic risk in the financial system and coordinating several federal financial regulators. The FSOC is expected to facilitate communication among existing financial regulators intending to identify sources of financial instability that cross agency regulatory jurisdiction, or that reside in gaps in the financial regulatory framework. This book describes the mission, membership, and scope of the FSOC with its focus on establishing a framework for mitigating systemic risk.

Global Financial Crisis: Policies and Implications, The
John P. Gallagher and Emmett C. Wilkins
In series: Global Economic Studies
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
Case: 978-1-61470-317-4. $95.00.
This book presents current research in the study of the global financial crisis. Topics discussed include banking and financial infrastructure continuity; increasing IMF resources and the role of Congress; analysis and policy implication of the global financial crisis; implications for the United States and foreign and trade policy effects.

Lehman Brothers Bankruptcy, The: Analyses
Gary E. Walker and Lindel D. Clarke
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
In series: Banking and Banking Developments
Case: 978-1-62081-730-8. $135.00.
The bankruptcy filing of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. (LBHI) on September 15, 2008, was one of the signal events of the financial crisis. The disorderly and costly nature of the LBHI bankruptcy - the largest, and still ongoing, financial bankruptcy in U.S. history - contributed to the massive financial disruption of late 2008. This book examines how the government could have structured a resolution of Lehman under the orderly liquidation authority of Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank)
and how the outcome could have differed from the outcome under bankruptcy. Key figures surrounding this important financial event also provide their analysis.

**Progress in Financial Markets Research**

*Catherine Kyrtou (University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece), Costas Vorlow (Department of Economic Research & Forecasting, Athens, Greece)*

In series: *Financial Institutions and Services*


e-book: 978-1-61324-765-5. $15.00.

Numerous empirical studies have analysed the identification and nature of the underlying process of an economic system, as well as the influence of information on financial time series. The standard financial theory of efficient markets assumes identical investors having rational expectations of future stock prices. This means that there are no opportunities for speculative profit, and both trading volume and price volatility are not serially correlated. This book presents information on financial markets and covers topics such as time series and asset pricing methods, data mining, non-linear analysis, chaos and wavelet-based techniques.

**Public Finance: Lessons from the Past and Effects on the Future**

*Miguel-Angel Galindo Martin (Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Spain), Cristina Nardi Spiller (University of Verona, Italy)*

In series: *Financial Institutions and Services*

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*


Case: 978-1-61324-982-6. $165.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-014-2. $165.00.

There are important lessons to be learned and analytical frameworks to be adapted and reused from the body of reference provided by the past history of public finance. This makes it possible to approach themes in terms of the actions of policy makers in various operating sectors of the economy: money, foreign exchange, finance, industry, labour relations, international trade, taxation and so on. One other key function carried out by the central authorites is the enactment and enforcement of rules governing competition between economic agents. Furthermore, in many countries, goods and services are produced by public sector enterprises, which emphasizes that public intervention comes in many shapes and forms. In this book, attention centers on the fiscal sector, where government intervention has a crucial impact on private saving and investment, public spending decisions, taxation and government revenues, including the funding of budget deficits.

**Shadow Banking and its Role in the Financial Crisis**

*Devin A. Jenkins and Marlin I. Collins*

In series: *Global Recession - Causes, Impacts and Remedies*


Soft: 978-1-62081-703-2. $52.00.

Shadow banking refers to bank-like financial activities that are conducted outside the traditional commercial banking system, many of which are unregulated or lightly regulated. Many of the activities performed within the shadow banking system take funds from savers and investors and ultimately provide them to borrowers. Within this broad definition are investment banks, finance companies, money market funds, hedge funds, special purpose entities, and other vehicles that aggregate and hold financial assets. These entities are critical players in the markets for securitized products, structured products, commercial paper, asset-backed commercial paper, repurchase agreements, and derivatives. The activities of these firms financed substantial economic activity, albeit indirectly. This book examines the nature and scope of the shadowing banking system and its role in the financial crisis.

**The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: Overview and Analyses**

*Paul J. Cerutti and Margaret Kolchak*

In series: *Financial Institutions and Services*

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*


Case: 978-1-62257-637-1. $110.00.

In the wake of the worst U.S. financial crisis since the Great Depression, Congress passed and the President signed into law sweeping reforms of the financial services regulatory system through the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. This book provides an overview of the regulatory structure of consumer finance under existing federal law before the Dodd-Frank Act went into effect and examines arguments for modifying the regime in order to more effectively regulate consumer markets. Also analyzed is how the CFP Act changes the legal structure, with a focus on the Bureau’s organization; the entities and activities that fall and do not fall under the Bureau’s supervisory, enforcement, and rulemaking authorities; the Bureau’s general and specific rulemaking powers and procedures; and the Bureau’s findings.

**FINE ARTS**

**Tsar Feodor: Chaliapin in America**

*Joseph Darisky (Elmhurst, NY)*

In series: *Fine Arts, Music and Literature*

In series: *Focus on Civilization and Cultures - Music*

2012. 347 pp.

Case: 978-1-62100-413-4. $140.00.

In the 1920s and mid 1930s, the great Russian Opera singer Feodor Chaliapin was considered by music critics and opera fans to be the greatest Opera star of the world. This book is a meticulously documented story of Chaliapin’s performances and sojourns in North America. It is the first book of its kind about Chaliapin, written in English by an American scholar of Russian descent. It offers a thorough description of opera performances, concerts and recitals, as well as some political and social events associated with the name “Chaliapin” during his many years of performing in North America. The main purpose of this book is to reveal the forgotten and unknown pages of Chaliapin’s life and to give a truthful historical depiction of those occurrences.

**FITNESS INCLUDING EXERCISE**

**Athlete Performance and Injuries**

*João H. Bastos and Andreia C. Silva*

In series: *Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology*


Case: 978-1-61942-658-0. $140.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of athletic performance and injuries. Topics discussed include the role of antioxidants in combating exercise-induced oxidative stress; overtraining syndrome and recovery; psychological response to sport injuries and rehabilitation processes; the cardiometabolic effects of rhEPO treatment on chronic vs. acute extenuating exercise; impaired repolarization reserve in the development of sudden cardiac death in the young athlete; sports injuries and risk-taking behaviors in amateur athletes; injuries in young martial arts athletes; the achilles tendon in bipedal locomotion and patellofemoral syndrome.

Pacing in Sport and Exercise: A Psychophysiological Perspective
Andrew Edwards (Institute of Sport and Exercise Science, James Cook University, Cairns, Australia) and Remco Polman (Victoria University, Melbourne, Australia)
This is the first book which comprehensively examines the way humans pace exercise and sporting activities. This concept represents an exciting opportunity to combine the latest physiological and psychological theories with practical sport and exercise applications. This book will be an essential read for sport and exercise science academics, students, coaches, athletes and general exercise enthusiasts.

Food Security: Quality Management, Issues and Economic Implications
Maddox A. Jones and Francisco E. Hernandez
In series: Food Science and Technology
In this book, the authors present current research from across the globe in the study of the quality management, issues and economic implications of food security. Topics discussed in this compilation include women and food security in the Sudan; the impact of the vegetable breeding industry and intellectual property rights in biodiversity and food security; the Brazilian Popular Restaurant Program for food security and nutrition policy; food and water security in eThekwini Municipality, South Africa; aquaculture as an essential source of food security; environmental orientation in the Spanish food industry; Zambia's post-independent policies for food security and poverty reduction; and the role of the processing industry for food security in India.

Foreign Policy
Conventional Arms Transfers Among Developing Nations: Trends and Data
Robert Mitchell and Jeff Campbell
In series: Foreign Policy of the United States
This book explores the level of arms transfers by major weapons suppliers to nations in the developing world, where most of the potential for the outbreak of regional military conflicts currently exists, and where the greatest proportion of the conventional arms trade is conducted. For decades, during the height of the Cold War, providing conventional weapons to friendly states was an instrument of foreign policy utilized by the United States and its allies. Following the Cold War's end, U.S. arms transfer policy has been based on assisting friendly and allied nations in maintaining their ability to deal with regional security threats and concerns.

Foreign Aid: U.S. Programs, Policies and Public-Private Partnerships
James P. Brant and Melissa E. Walcott
Foreign assistance is a fundamental component of the international affairs budget and is viewed by many as an essential instrument of U.S. foreign policy. Since the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001, foreign aid has increasingly been associated with national security policy. U.S. foreign aid policy has developed around three primary rationales: national security, commercial interests and humanitarian concerns. These broad rationales are the basis for the myriad objectives of U.S. assistance, including promoting economic growth, reducing poverty, improving governance, expanding access to health care and education, promoting stability in conflictive regions, promoting human rights, strengthening allies, and curbing illicit drug production and trafficking. This book provides an overview of the U.S. foreign assistance programs, foreign aid spending, delivery of foreign assistance, and public-private partnerships (PPPs).

The U.S. Defense Buildup on Guam
Rad E. Johnson and Allyssa M. Patel
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Since 2000, the U.S. military has been building up forward-deployed forces on the westernmost U.S. territory of Guam to increase U.S. presence, deterrence, and power projection for potential responses to crises and disasters, counterterrorism, and contingencies in support of South Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Taiwan, or elsewhere in Asia. Since 2006, three joint exercises based at Guam called the “Valiant Shield” have boosted U.S. military readiness in the Asian-Pacific region. The defense buildup on Guam has been moderate. China still has concerns about Guam’s buildup, suspecting it to be directed against China. There has been concern that China and North Korea could target Guam with missiles. Still, Guam’s role increased in engaging China’s military. This book examines the U.S. defense buildup on Guam with a focus on defense deployments; the costs and challenges in meeting construction timelines; and proposed military treatment facilities on Guam.

Turkey and the U.S.: Alliances, Relations and Defense Cooperation
Samantha N. Boothe and Ryan Hickman
In series: The Middle East in Turmoil
Although Turkey still depends on the United States and other NATO allies for political and strategic support, growing economic diversification and military self-reliance allows Turkey to exercise greater leverage with the West. These trends have helped fuel continuing Turkish political transformation led in the past decade by Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan and the Justice and Development Party (AKP), which has Islamist roots. Future domestic political developments may determine how Turkey reconciles respect for democratic views that favor Turkish nationalism and traditional Sunni Muslim values with protection of individual freedoms, minority rights, rule of law, and the principle of secular governance. This book examines U.S. relations with Turkey, with a focus on domestic and foreign policy issues; the decline in Israel-Turkey relations; and ongoing change in the Middle East region.

U.S. and the Asia-Pacific Countries: Deepening Relations
*Ferian A. Bell and Odam L. Richards*
In series: *Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues*
In series: *Global Political Studies*
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-894-7. $195.00.
In the fall of 2011, the Obama Administration issued a series of announcements indicating that the United States would be expanding and intensifying its already significant role in the Asia-Pacific, particularly in the southern part of the region. The fundamental goal underpinning the shift is to devote more effort to influencing the development of the Asia-Pacific’s norms and rules, particularly as China emerges as an ever-more influential regional power. Given that one purpose of the “pivot” or “rebalancing” toward the Asia-Pacific is to deepen U.S. credibility in the region at a time of fiscal constraint, Congress’s oversight and appropriations roles, as well as its approval authority over free trade agreements, will help determine to what extent the Administration’s plans are implemented and how various trade-offs are managed. This book examines U.S. and Asia-Pacific countries relations with a focus on Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Indonesia, South Korea, the Philippines, Vietnam, Guam, Singapore and Taiwan.

U.S. Assistance for the Palestinians
*James M. Bailey and Paul F. Miller*
In series: *Foreign Policy of the United States*
In series: *Global Political Studies*
Case: 978-1-62100-830-9. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-880-4. $95.00.
U.S. aid to the Palestinians is intended to forward at least three major U.S. policy priorities of interest to Congress: 1) combating, neutralizing, and preventing terrorism against Israel from the Islamist group Hamas and other militant organizations; 2) creating a virtuous cycle of stability and prosperity in the West Bank that inclines Palestinians, including those in the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip, towards peaceful coexistence with Israel and prepares them for self-governance; and 3) meeting humanitarian needs and preventing further destabilization, particularly in the Gaza Strip. This book examines U.S. foreign aid to the Palestinians wherein because of congressional concerns that U.S. funds might be diverted to Palestinian terrorist groups, this aid is subject to a host of vetting and oversight requirements and legislative restrictions.

Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan: Controlling Costs and Reducing Risks
*Jacqueline R. Robinson and Francis Miller*
In series: *Foreign Policy of the United States*
In series: *Defense, Security and Strategies*
2012. 239 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-984-9. $185.00.
Contractors represent more than half of the U.S. presence in the contingency operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, at times employing more than a quarter-million people. They have performed vital tasks in support of U.S. defense, diplomatic, and development objectives. But the cost has been high. Poor planning, management, and oversight of contracts has led to massive waste and has damaged these objectives. Contracting decisions made during urgent contingencies have often neglected the need to determine whether host-nation governments can or will sustain the many projects and programs that U.S. contracts have established in their countries. This book examines the work of Congresses bipartisan Commission on Wartime Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan, created to study waste, fraud, abuse, accountability, and other issues in contingency contracting, and to make recommendations for improvement.

Wilsonianism and Other Visions of Foreign Policy
*Anthony J. Eksterowicz and Glenn P. Hastedt (James Madison University)*
In series: *Presidency in the United States*
In series: *Political Leaders and Their Assessment*
Case: 978-1-61470-469-0. $180.00.
Soft: 978-1-62081-035-4. $69.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-529-1. $140.00.
The introduction and ten articles comprising this book represent the work of participants in a conference held at the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library (WWPL) in Staunton, Virginia, in April 2010 on the topic “World of Power/World of Law: Wilsonianism and Other Visions of Foreign Policy.” These contributions stand on their own as examples of fine scholarship about an important topic. As a whole, this book also forms part of a larger tradition of research and scholarship about President Wilson that dates to the year 2000, when the WWPL produced the first of five national symposia. A brief history of these symposia provides a context for understanding the present book and the importance of current scholarship about Woodrow Wilson as we approach the centennial of his election to the presidency in 2012.

**GENERAL PUBLIC**

**Emergency Evacuations: Federal Considerations and Assessments**
*Kendrick F. Mooney and Angela L. Craft*
In series: *Government Procedures and Operations*
In series: *Public Health in the 21st Century*
When government officials become aware of an impending disaster, they may take steps to protect citizens before the incident occurs. Evacuation of the geographic area that may be affected is often the critical first step in a disaster response. This book discusses federal evacuation policy and analyzes potential lessons learned from the evacuations of individuals in response to the Gulf Coast hurricanes of 2005 with a focus on potential lawmaker and oversight on evacuation policy.
Recalls of Automobiles and Medical Devices: Federal Oversight

*John Paulose and Zhou Kihara*

In series: *Manufacturing Technology Research*

Case: 978-1-62100-122-5. $95.00.

In 2010, auto manufacturers recalled more vehicles than any other year, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the federal oversight authority for vehicle recalls. However, many recalled vehicles are never fixed, posing a risk to vehicle operators, other drivers and pedestrians. Recalls are also an important tool to mitigate serious health consequences associated with defective or unsafe medical devices. Typically, a recall is voluntarily initiated by the firm that manufactured the device. This book explores the federal oversight recalls of automobiles and medical devices with a focus on developing enhanced procedures and criteria for assessing the effectiveness of recalls.

**GEORGIAN STUDIES**

Georgian History

*David Muskhelishvili, Mikheil Samsonadze, Alexander Daushvili (Georgian Academy of Sciences, Tbilisi, Georgia)*

In series: *Caucasus Region Political, Economic, and Security Issues*


In the scientific work on the basis of rich factual materials, modern specific literature and new archival documents, a new conception of the Georgian nation and Georgian state’s historic development are represented from ancient times until the 21st century. Important stages of material and religious culture of Georgian people are reviewed and peculiarities of historic development are elucidated. We must emphasize the devotion of Georgian people towards the Western values (Christian religion, advantage of democratic system, respect towards personal rights of a man and etc.) and the struggle against totalitarian ideology and antidemocratic system of ruling. In this book, special attention is paid to the fact that the relationship of Georgia and America is building a new Georgia which has been of great importance.

**GLOBAL AFFAIRS**

A Single Currency for Pacific Islands

*T.K. Jayaraman (University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji Islands) B.D. Ward (Lincoln University, Canterbury, New Zealand)*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*

Case: 978-1-62100-430-1. $65.00.

Regional integration has been the goal of Pacific Islands Forum, an intergovernmental organization, ever since its inception in 1971. The Forum comprises the 14 Pacific island countries and the region’s two advanced countries, Australia and New Zealand. The birth of a common currency, the euro in 1999 in Europe for the initial 11 members, country eurozone inspired the leaders to renew their efforts towards creating a single economic space for the region. A common currency for the region was proposed by the Australian Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade. This book examines the feasibility of a common currency from various angles including the well known optimum currency area criteria point of view.

Economic Reforms in Post-Communist Georgia: Twenty Years After

*Vladimer Papava*

In series: *Caucasus Region Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

2012. 147 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-542-2. $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-559-0. $75.00.

This book provides insight into the compelling evolution of Georgia’s development and modern challenges. It analyzes the key tendencies that took place during the twenty years of reforming Georgia’s economy.

Ethnicity and Careers of Chinese Canadians

*Charles P. Chen, Wendy Lee (University of Toronto, Ontario, Canada)*

In series: *Professions - Training, Education and Demographics*

Soft: 978-1-61324-268-1. $47.00.

This book examines a research study that describes the critical interaction between ethnicity and career development in lives of Chinese-Canadian young adults. Through an empirical inquiry following a qualitative research framework, the book provides an in-depth foundation for the scarcely researched area of career development of Chinese-Canadians, engendering original new knowledge contributing to the interdisciplinary studies of vocational and career psychology and cross-cultural psychology. Drawn from several major career development theories and other pertinent literature, the research participants’ dynamic and complex processes involved in career choice and decision-making are identified and analyzed.

Georgian Athonites and Christian Civilization

*David Muskhelishvili (Georgian Academy of Sciences, Tbilisi, Georgia)*

In series: *Religion and Spirituality*

2012.
Case: 978-1-61942-500-2. $140.00.

This book is the collection of Georgian theologians’, historians’, art critics’, musicologists’ scientific works represented on the Fourth International Symposium which was organized by International Centre for Christian Studies at the Orthodox Church of Georgia on May, 2011. The collection represents the thought-out of Georgian, Italian, German, American, Lithuanian scientists, whose aim is to reveal the merit in cultural-enlightening activity of the Georgian monks on Mount Athos. Besides, the scientists aim to evaluate their merit in strengthening and development of Christian Civilization. The Collection is distinguished by a high scientific level.

Global Supply Chains in the South Pacific Region-A Study of Fiji’s Garment Industry

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In series: *Global Economic Studies*

The main theme of this book is to examine the globalisation of the South Pacific region and Fiji and more particularly the globalisation of Fiji by examining the supply chain of garment industry. This book will not only attempt to explain how Fiji and the South Pacific region are integrated into the global economy, but also how they are influenced by sub-regional, regional and global forces. This book will demonstrate the analytical tools of 'the State', 'the firm', and 'the global forces' to the centre stage of discussion and analysis. This focus allows the unravelling of the key element in the global commodity supply chain analysis advanced in this book.

**Globalization: Background, Agreements and Current Issues**

*Ian Anderson and Robert J. Figgins*

In series: *Global Political Studies*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*


Case: 978-1-61942-075-5. $140.00.


There are probably few concepts less understood, more cursed and blamed for everything imaginable, and yet perhaps result in so many outstanding developments as globalization. Globalization is the process of denationalization of markets, politics and legal systems, i.e., the rise of the so-called global economy. The consequences of this political and economic restructuring on local economies, human welfare and environment are the subject of vigorous debate among businesses of all sizes, various international organizations, governmental institutions and the academic world. This book presents current research in the field of globalization.

**Muslims in Europe: Integration and Counter-Extremism Efforts**

*George T. Rankin and Kenneth M. Cowen*

In series: *European Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

In series: *Global Political Studies*


Case: 978-1-61942-274-2. $95.00.

e-book: 978-1-61942-284-1. $95.00.

This book examines the policies aimed at promoting integration, combating terrorism, and countering violent extremism in five European countries with significant Muslim populations and the role of the 27-member European Union (EU) in shaping European laws and policies related to integration and counter-radicalization.

**New Zealand and Australia in Focus: Economics, the Environment and Issues in Health Care**

*Jason R. Barker and Rebecca Walters*

In series: *Health Care Issues, Costs and Access*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*


Case: 978-1-62081-208-2. $150.00.


Relations between Australia and New Zealand, also sometimes referred to as Trans-Tasman relations due to the countries being on opposite sides of the Tasman Sea, are extremely close with both sharing British colonial heritage and being part of the Anglosphere. In this book, the authors gather and present current research in the study of the economics, environmental, and health care issues in both New Zealand and Australia. Topics included in this compilation include pharmaceutical contaminants in the New Zealand environment; environmental sustainability in Australia; the electricity distribution industry in New Zealand; specialist medical care issues in New Zealand; fisheries management agencies in Australia; climate change and child health in Australia; and coalbed natural gas development and environmental implications in both Australia and New Zealand.

**Globalization Dynamics: Psychological, Economic, Technological, and Cultural Intercourses**

*Kuang-ming Wu (University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh; University of Denver)*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*


Case: 978-1-62100-750-0. $230.00.


Not many scholars have noticed “globalization” as a thinking-horizon, and much less, begun engaging in its exploration. This book calls attention to this exciting dimension of globalization. Volume I is divided into “problems and prospects” and “cultural intercourse.” The book presents concrete and specific problems and prospects kicked up by globalization including world economics of cancellation of debt of developing nations; Africa’s problem of knowledge production; economic problems of foreign aids in Bangladesh; infusion of Taoism to Western therapy of anxiety and globalization counseling paradigm.

This book also presents unique perspectives on the causes and solutions to the problem of today’s globalization.

**Globalization: Trade Agreements, Global Health and United Nations Involvement**

*Marilyn G. Massari and Karl J. Lutz*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*


Case: 978-1-61470-327-3. $140.00.


**New Developments in Globalization: Agreements and Negotiations**

*Andreo Lamorena*

In series: *Global Economic Studies*

In series: *Global Political Studies*


Case: 978-1-61470-328-0. $140.00.


This book presents current research findings in the study of globalization. Topics discussed include foreign investment in U.S. securities; dispute settlement in the World Trade Organization (WTO); the Overseas Private Investment Corporation; the Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership Agreement; transatlantic regulatory cooperation; nuclear cooperation with other countries; status of the Copenhagen climate change negotiations; changes in the arctic and trafficking in persons.
GOVERNMENT

Benefits and Costs of Federal Regulations and Unfunded Mandates

\textit{Travis F. Watson and Leroy Gibson}

In series: \textit{Government Procedures and Operations}

In series: \textit{Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures}


Case: 978-1-61942-293-3. $185.00.


This book presents an overview of the Draft 2011 Report to Congress on the Benefits and Costs of Federal Regulations and Unfunded Mandates on State, Local, and Tribal Entities and the benefits and costs of the U.S. Government’s regulatory program. The decomposition of benefits and costs of regulations by agencies, and in some cases by major categories of benefits, are instructive. The 10-year look back is valuable to illustrate the longer-term trends in benefits and costs of government regulations and recommendations for reform.

Citizenship: Practices, Types and Challenges

\textit{Dexter Petty and Clay MacFarland}

In series: \textit{America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues}

In series: \textit{Social Issues, Justice and Status}


Case: 978-1-61942-440-1. $150.00.


This book presents current research in the study of the practices, types and challenges of citizenship. Topics discussed include social exclusion, racism and citizenship in Australia; birthright citizenship of undocumented immigrants and the Dream Act; a path to citizenship for new immigrants; client-targeted citizenship behaviors among civil servants; citizenship and older people and the socialization of geoinformation for teaching purposes and promotion of citizenship.

Congress and the European Parliament: Legislative Cooperation

\textit{Devon J. Armstrong and Neil T. Fitzsimmons}

In series: \textit{Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures}

In series: \textit{Laws and Legislation}

2012. 74 pp.

Case: 978-1-62100-748-7. $47.00.


The United States and the European Union (EU) share an extensive, dynamic, and for many a mutually beneficial political and economic partnership. A growing element of that relationship is the role that the U.S. Congress and the European Parliament (EP) have begun to play, including in areas ranging from foreign and economic policy to regulatory reform. Consequently, some officials and experts on both sides of the Atlantic have asked whether it would be beneficial for Congress and the EP to strengthen institutional ties further and to explore the possibility of coordinating efforts to develop more complementary policies in some areas. This book discusses the transatlantic legislative cooperation between the United States Congress and the European Parliament.

Congressional Member Organizations: Purposes, Activities and Types

\textit{Branden I. Galloway and Jan G. Hopper}

In series: \textit{Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures}

In series: \textit{Laws and Legislation}


Soft: 978-1-61942-438-8. $47.00.

e-book: 978-1-61942-450-0. $47.00.

This book presents and examines the purpose and activities of Congressional Member Organizations (CMOs) and the reasons Members form them, with a focus on identifying and describing the seven CMO types. Also discussed is the historical development of informal Member organizations since the first Congress, focusing on their regulation in the House by the Committee on House Oversight/Committee on House Administration; the rise and fall of legislative service organizations; and the House’s decision to issue regulations for establishing CMOs and governing their behavior.

Cost-Benefit Analysis in the Federal Rulemaking Process

\textit{Blake I. Durham and Angelo E. Pugh}

In series: \textit{Government Procedures and Operations}

In series: \textit{Laws and Legislation}


Soft: 978-1-61942-397-8. $47.00.

e-book: 978-1-61942-399-2. $47.00.

This book examines a common concern voiced by proponents of regulatory reform in recent decades which has been that the costs associated with certain regulations outweigh the benefits that the regulations are intended to provide. To improve the quality and effectiveness of federal rules and minimize burden, regulatory reform proponents have frequently advocated greater use of a range of analytic tools during the rulemaking process, including cost-benefit analysis and cost-effectiveness analysis.

Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities, and Renewal Communities

\textit{Aiden D. Hall and Cory R. White}

In series: \textit{Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives}

In series: \textit{America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues}

2012. 113 pp.

Case: 978-1-61942-706-8. $95.00.


Empowerment Zones (EZs), Enterprise Communities (ECs), and Renewal Communities (RCs) are federally designated geographic areas characterized by high levels of poverty and economic distress, where businesses and local governments may be eligible to receive federal grants and tax incentives. Congress remains interested in these programs to revitalize selected areas affected by unemployment and a decline in economic activity, despite increased concern over the size and sustainability of the long-term budget outlook. This book provides a comparative overview of the similarities and differences between the EZ, EC, and RC programs, and reviews congressional policy choices to target and provide federal incentives to economically distressed zones.


\textit{Paul L. Collins and Frank R. Peterson}

In series: \textit{Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures}
In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*  
2012. 64 pp.  

A number of tax provisions have either expired in 2011 or are scheduled to expire at the end of this FY 2012. These include the Bush tax cuts, the alternative minimum tax (AMT) patch, the temporary payroll tax cut, and other temporary expiring provisions, many of which are commonly referred to as “tax extenders.” Aside from the payroll tax cut, which was extended by the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, the most recent law extending many of these provisions was the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization and Job Creation Act of 2010. This book provides an overview of these expiring provisions with a focus on past cost and cost of extension and a brief discussion of the current debate concerning the policy.

**FDA Review of Drug Applications**  
*Morris Cooperman and Richard J. Porter*  
In series: *Government Procedures and Operations*  
2013.  
Soft: 978-1-62257-771-2. $52.00.  

In the late 1980s, the median time for FDA to approve a new drug application (NDA) was 29 months. Industry, consumer groups, and FDA agreed that the time from submission of a drug or biologics application to FDA’s decision was unacceptably long. Patient advocates argued that a drug in review—and therefore not available for sale—could be the difference between life and death. Manufacturers argued that prolonged review times affected their ability to recoup the costs of research and development. This book examines the FDA’s review of drug applications, with a focus on the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) and issues for reauthorization in 2012.

**Federal Employees’ Compensation Act (FECA), The**  
*Addison K. James and Filip E. Davis*  
In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*  
Case: 978-1-62081-729-2. $110.00.  

The Federal Employees’ Compensation Act (FECA) is the workers’ compensation program for federal employees. Like all workers’ compensation programs, FECA pays disability, survivors, and medical benefits, without fault, to employees who are injured or become ill in the course of their federal employment and the survivors of employees killed on the job. The FECA program is administered by the Department of Labor (DOL) and the costs of benefits are paid by each employees’ host agency. Employees of the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) currently comprise the largest group of FECA beneficiaries and are responsible for the largest share of FECA benefits. This book examines the key policy issues facing the FECA today, including the disproportionate share of claims and program costs attributed to postal workers, the payment of FECA benefits after retirement age, the overall generosity of FECA disability benefits as compared with those offered by the states, and the overall administration of the FECA program.

**Federal Firefighter Funding and Fire Assistance**  
*Mason L. Hill and Christopher F. Green*  
In series: *Safety and Risk in Society*  

Soft: 978-1-62081-176-4. $52.00.  
e-book: 978-1-62081-179-5. $52.00.

Firefighting activities are traditionally the responsibility of states and local communities. As such, funding for firefighters is provided mostly by state and local governments. During the 1990s, shortfalls in state and local budgets, coupled with increased responsibilities of local fire departments, led many in the fire community to call for additional financial support from the federal government. This book provides an overview on the distribution of fire grant funding: the SAFER Grant program; and federal funding for wildfire control and management.

**Federal Grant Management: Governance and Funding Challenges**  
*Vanessa N. Rowley*  
In series: *Grants and Funding*  
Case: 978-1-62100-185-0. $95.00.  
e-book: 978-1-62100-292-5. $95.00.

Grants play a significant role in implementing and funding federal programs. The federal government’s use of grants to achieve national objectives and to respond to emerging trends, such as changing demographics and changing threats to homeland security, has grown significantly in the last two decades. While federal grant funding has been increasing, long-standing concerns remain about the federal government’s grants management and the lack of effective oversight tools to reasonably assure that grants are used for their intended purposes and that risks of fraud, waste and abuse are minimized. This book presents the grant management process as well as ways to improve oversight and accountability of federal grants.

**Federal Procurement: Policies and Considerations**  
*Dale O. Porter and Ernest M. Shaw*  
In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*  
2012.  
Case: 978-1-62257-332-5. $110.00.  

The federal government’s basic procurement or acquisition process involves an agency identifying the goods and services it needs, determining the most appropriate method for purchasing these items, and carrying out the acquisition. Although this process is simple in theory, any given procurement can be complex, involving a multitude of decisions and actions. A contracting officer may need to determine, for example, whether to use a federal supply schedule, what type of contract to use, whether simplified acquisition procedures may be used, or whether the procurement should be set aside for small businesses. This book describes the most common elements of the federal procurement process and resources that may be used in that process. Also discussed is the Buy American Act; government procurement in times of fiscal uncertainty; The Berry Amendment; multiyear procurement (MYP) and block buy contracting in defense; and legal requirements for contract types.

**Fiscal Strains on State Governments, The**  
*Arthur Horváth*  
In series: *Government Procedures and Operations*  
Soft: 978-1-62100-046-4. $47.00.  

States have different budget cycles, different ways of preparing revenue estimates and forecasts, different requirements concerning their operating and capital budgets, different roles for their governors...
in the budget process, and different policies concerning the carrying over of operating budget deficits into the next fiscal year. Although no two state budgets are alike, all fifty states experienced heightened levels of fiscal stress during FY2009 and FY2010. The national economic recession, which officially lasted from December 2007 to June 2009, led to lower levels of economic activity throughout the nation and reduced state tax revenues. This book examines the current status of state fiscal conditions and the role of federal assistance in state budgets. It begins with a brief overview of state budgeting procedures and then provides budgetary data comparing state fiscal conditions in FY2008 to FY2010.

Free Speech and the Supreme Court: Select Decisions from 2011
Oswald L. Knight and Timothy B. Lloyd
In series: Laws and Legislation
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-878-7. $110.00.
This book explores select decisions from the Supreme Court relative to free speech. Topics discussed in this compilation include the Westboro Baptist Church (WBC) and its protests of military funerals. Also discussed is the constitutionality of restrictions on the use of health data for commercial purposes. Companies that collect, analyze, and sell this data have challenged the law, claiming that they were unconstitutionally restricted from their free speech rights under the First Amendment. The case of Sorrell v. IMS Health, Inc. is analyzed as well.

Governance: Is It For Everyone?
Anne Marie Bisessar (University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago)
In series: Global Political Studies
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Case: 978-1-61942-289-6. $140.00.
The book aims to present a set of perspectives that are sound and useful and it seeks to stimulate scholars and students and at the same time to inform practitioners of the myth that governance is a perfect method of administration to be applied in all countries, irrespective of their levels of development or the impact and experience of globalization in various countries. This book will certainly bring a conclusion to the ongoing debate of whether “Governance Is for Everyone”.

Government Efficiency and the GPRA
Modernization Act
Percy Zamora and Phil McNeil
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-427-2. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-434-0. $95.00.
This book discusses the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) Modernization Act of 2010 as the administration begins its implementation. The act offers many important opportunities to focus attention on successfully improving the effectiveness of government programs and operations, and addresses significant fiscal, performance, and management challenges facing the federal government. The federal government is the world’s largest and most complex entity, with about $3.5 trillion in outlays in the fiscal year of 2010 that fund a broad array of programs and operations. Long-term simulations of the government’s financial condition underscore the need to begin addressing the long-term federal fiscal outlook.

Intelligence and Information Sharing: Needs, Goals and Risks
Kevin M. Thomas and Douglas J. King
In series: Intelligence and Counterintelligence Studies
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-62100-839-2. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-852-1. $95.00.
Unauthorized disclosures of classified intelligence are seen as doing significant damage to U.S. security. However, if intelligence is not made available to government officials who need it to do their jobs, enormous expenditures on collection, analysis, and dissemination are wasted. This book focuses on information acquired, analyzed, and disseminated by agencies of the U.S. Intelligence Community. Better information sharing throughout the Federal Government and especially among the agencies of the Intelligence Community has become a priority for both the Executive Branch and Congress.

Lame Duck Sessions of Congress
Garfield I. Cooke and Emmitt J. Donovan
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012. 73 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-660-3. $47.00.
This book provides a history and background of the lame duck sessions of Congress from 1935 till 2010 (74th-111th Congresses). A “lame duck” session of Congress is one that takes place when one Congress meets after its successor is elected, but before the current Congress has reached the end of its constitutional term. The significant characteristic of a lame duck session is that its participants are the sitting Members of the existing Congress, not those who will be entitled to sit in the new Congress.

Membership in the House of Representatives and Senate: Policies and Procedures
Daniel L. Muñoz and Paula C. Gallardo
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012.
Case: 978-1-61209-282-9. $89.00.
This new book examines the roles and responsibilities of the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate, as well as the various congressional policies and procedures put into action. Topics discussed include the average years of service for members of the Senate and the House of Representatives; the role of the clerk of the house and the chief administrative officer of the house; party leaders in the house; enrollment of legislation; senate committee hearings and senate policy committees.

Michelle Obama: The Report to the First Lady - 2009
Robert P. Watson (American Studies Program, Lynn University)
In series: Presidential Wives
2012.
Soft: 978-1-61761-842-0. $43.00.
This Report was developed as a non-partisan service for, and presented to, the First Lady of the United States and White House. It contains...
advice, resources, and useful information pertaining to the challenges of serving as First Lady. The essays in the Report were written by scholars of the first ladyship and presidency, former White House aides, and former first ladies, all of whom donated their services to this project. The essays cover such topics as the history and development of the first ladyship, advice on serving as first lady, recommended readings for the new first lady, biographies of recent first ladies, and more.

Modernization of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)
Ray Hawkins and Travis P. Duncan
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-383-7, $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-385-1, $52.00.
On January 4th, 2011, the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010 became law. The acronym refers to the Government Performance and Results Act. When GPRA 1993 was enacted, it was regarded as a watershed for the federal government. For the first time, Congress established requirements in statute for most agencies to set goals, measure performance, and report the information to Congress for potential use. Agencies submitted this information in three major projects: multi-year strategic plans, annual plans, and annual reports. This book provides an overview and background on GPRA 1993 and its modernization changes in 2010. The law was especially intended to address the needs of Congress in its policy making, oversight, and budgeting work, and the needs of agency program managers.

National Interagency Cooperation and Reform:
Building Effective Performance and Exercise of Power
Collin J. Bryant and Gibson E. Powell
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-431-4, $150.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-432-1, $150.00.
Interagency collaboration among federal agencies with overlapping jurisdictions and shared responsibilities is not a new phenomenon. Attempts to foster cooperation among agencies, reduce their number in particular policy areas, or clarify the division of labor among them date to the early days of the republic. Such arrangements are increasing in the contemporary era in number, prominence, and proposals across virtually all policy areas. This book focuses primarily on analyzing key issues that Members of Congress may wish to consider in evaluating existing or proposed NSP initiatives, including the fundamental purpose; the concept of integration; the scope of participation; practical modalities for making the program work; the role of centralized oversight; incentive structures for individuals and agencies; recruiting; and congressional oversight.

Resolutions of Inquiry Used by the House of Representatives
Michael J. Webster
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
2012. 142 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-366-3, $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-402-8, $95.00.
The resolution of inquiry is a simple House resolution that seeks factual information from the executive branch. Such resolutions are given privileged status under House rules and may be considered at any time after being properly reported or discharged from committee. Such resolutions apply only to requests for facts - not opinions - within an Administration's control. This book examines the history, procedure, specific uses of resolutions of inquiry, and notes recent increases in their usage.

Supreme Court Opinions: October 2000 - October 2004 Terms
Morgan Thomas and Luke D. Harris
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
Case: 978-1-61942-726-6, $185.00.
This book provides synopses of Supreme Court decisions issued from the October 2000 through October 2004 terms with a focus on providing a quick reference guide for identification of cases of interest. Included are all cases decided by signed opinion and selected cases decided per curiam. Not included are other cases receiving summary disposition and the many cases in which the Court denied review. Each synopsis contains a summary of the Court's holding, and most contain a brief statement of the Court's rationale. Following each synopsis, the vote on the Court's holding is indicated in bold typeface, and authors of the Court's opinion and of any concurring and dissenting opinions, along with Justices who joined those opinions, are identified. Cases are listed alphabetically, and a subject index is appended.

The Congressional Appropriations Process: Elements and Considerations
Jeremy F. Ellis and Dyllon A. Foster
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
Case: 978-1-62081-839-8, $110.00.
Congress annually considers several appropriations measures, which provide funding for numerous activities, for example, national defense, education, and homeland security, as well as general government operations. Congress has developed certain rules and practices for the consideration of appropriations measures, referred to as the congressional appropriations process. This book examines the procedural and legal issues associated with the authorization of appropriations; the limitations in appropriations measures; omnibus appropriations; history of the appropriations subcommittee structure; automatic continuing resolutions; locating an agency or program within appropriations bills; and the causes, processes and effects of the shutdown of the federal government.

The Federal Budget: 2013 and Beyond
Jacob E. Lambert and Isabella M. Johnson
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-920-3, $110.00.
The federal budget is central to Congress's ability to exercise its "power of the purse." Federal budget decisions also express Congress's priorities and reinforce Congress's influence on federal policies. Making budgetary decisions for the federal government is a complex process and requires balancing competing goals. Recent economic turmoil has strained the federal budget as a result of declining revenues and increasing spending levels. As the economic recovery continues, the budget process will allow the President and Congress to negotiate priorities and refine spending plans. This book examines issues for the FY 2013 federal budget with a focus on the rising costs of entitlement programs, significant spending on overseas military operations, and
low revenue levels. While the economy is growing again, unemployment remains elevated and government spending on "automatic stabilizers," such as unemployment insurance and income security programs, remains higher than historical averages.

U.S. Visa Policies, Programs and Considerations
Aaron R. Miller
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61470-333-4. $215.00.
The conventional wisdom is that the terrorist attacks on September 11th 2001 prompted a substantive change in U.S. immigration policy on visa issuances and the grounds for excluding foreign nationals from the United States. A series of laws enacted in the 1990s, however, may have done as much or more to set current U.S. visa policy and the legal grounds for exclusion. This book reviews the legislative developments in visa policy over the past 20 years and analysis of the statistical trends in visa issuances and denials provide a nuanced study of U.S. visa policy and the grounds for exclusion.

Veils of Secrecy: Government Practices and Prohibited Disclosures
Darren O. Thompson and Manuel J. Garcia
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012. 150 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-820-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-835-5. $95.00.
Openness is fundamental to representative government. The basic premise of transparency is that it increases the opportunity for responsive, responsible, and attributable decision making. Yet the congressional process is replete with activities and actions that are private and not observable by the public. Both secrecy and transparency suffuse the lawmaking process. The two are not "either/or" constructs; they overlap constantly during the various policymaking stages. This book outlines the historical and inherent tension between secrecy and transparency in the congressional process; reviews several common and recurring secrecy/transparency issues; and identifies lawmaking stages that typically include closed door proceedings.

HEALTH CARE

Health Insurance: Issues, Challenges and Perspectives
Edvard Abrahamsen and Aasta Fagerland
In series: Health Care Issues, Costs and Access
In series: Public Health in the 21st Century
2012. 130 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-050-7. $65.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-062-0. $65.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of the issues and challenges of health care insurance from across the globe. Topics discussed in this compilation include the assessment of the efficiency of hospitals in Botswana; the public long-term care insurance system in Japan; an examination of service delivery when there is an integration of health insurance and care provisions; estimating the total health expenditure on households by sources of financing and providers in Gambia; and social and private insurance systems in The Netherlands.

Socioeconomic Status and Health Implications
Sarah Reibert and Alice Jannings
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
In series: Health Care Issues, Costs and Access
Case: 978-1-62100-675-6. $140.00.
The relation between socioeconomic status and population health is evident in epidemiological studies. Socioeconomic status is typically measured using income and financial resources, occupation type, and educational attainment. In this book, the authors present topical research in the study of socioeconomic status and its health implications. Topics discussed include diabetes, marginality, and gender identity; the socioeconomic aspects of health services in Israel; low socioeconomic status and child mental health disparities; adolescent health risk behavior from a migrant population in the United Arab Emirates; Japanese women's health related to job stress and the hidden costs incurred by families and friends of patients with low health literacy.

Translational Research for Primary Healthcare
Erica Bell (University of Tasmania, Australia), Gert P. Westert (Radboud University Nijmegen Medical Centre, The Netherlands) and Joav Merrick (Ministry of Social Affairs, Jerusalem, Israel)
In series: Health and Human Development
Edited by: Joav Merrick (National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Ministry of Social Affairs, Jerusalem)
Case: 978-1-61324-647-4. $165.00.
This book examines how well primary healthcare policy and services are supported by high quality, relevant research methods in a context in which too many health system problems arise from poor translation of evidence and ill-fitting research methods. All chapters describe model applied translational research methods that have worked to help make a difference to primary healthcare policy and services. The chapters describe the kind of applied research we believe can help change primary healthcare policy and services for the better, paying particular attention to methodological issues. This book offers a wide range of strategies for meeting primary healthcare challenges in the key areas of health policy, service and practice development.

HOUSING

Homelessness in America: National Assessments
Samuel R. Holden and Dominic E. Snider
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
Case: 978-1-61942-661-0. $185.00.
This book examines the extent and nature of the issue of homelessness in the U.S. The number of people experiencing homelessness increased by 1.1 percent from 643,067 in January 2009 to 649,917 in January 2010. Discussed are the characteristics of persons experiencing homelessness, trends in shelters; the use of supportive housing programs; and homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing assistance.

Homelessness: Federal Response and Considerations
Leonard Hayes and Jessica M. Cole
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
2012. 188 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-270-4. $95.00.
The causes of homelessness and determining how best to assist those
who find themselves homeless became particularly prominent, visible
issues in the 1980s. The concept of homelessness may seem like a
straightforward one, with individuals and families who have no place
to live falling within the definition. However, the extent of
homelessness in this country and how best to address it depend upon
how one defines the condition of being homeless. This book describes
existing federal programs that provide targeted assistance to homeless
individuals and families and the current issues related to homelessness,
including the economic downturn.

Homeowners and Taxes: Analyses of Tax Benefits
and Energy Tax Credit
Richard J. Hart and Susan M. Cunningham
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2012. 76 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-880-5. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-913-0. $47.00.
Concern has increased over the size and sustainability of the United
States’ recent budget deficits and the country’s long-run budget
outlook. This concern has brought the issues of the government’s
revenue needs and fundamental tax reform to the forefront of
congressional debates. Congress may choose to address these issues by
reforming the set of tax benefits for homeowners. Reducing,
modifying, or eliminating all or some of the current tax benefits for
homeowners could raise a substantial amount of revenue, while
simultaneously simplifying the tax code, increasing equity among
taxpayers, and promoting economic efficiency. This book focuses on
the mortgage interest deduction, the deduction for state and local
property taxes and the residential energy tax credit.

Housing Choice Voucher Program
James E. Piles and Richard F. Conover
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-702-6. $110.00.
The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program is the federal
government’s largest needs-based housing assistance program, in terms
of both the number of families served and the cost to the federal
budget. Under the program, the Department of Housing and Urban
Development (HUD) provides funds to local public housing authorities
(PHAs), which, in turn, provide subsidies to low-income households to
use to rent private market apartments. Although the basic structure of
the program is governed by federal law and regulations, PHAs have
discretion to determine many important elements. This book discusses
the key drivers of cost growth in the voucher program and the actions
taken to control this growth and analyzes various options to cut costs
or create efficiencies.

Housing Counseling: Types, Funding and
Significance
Sylvester Herring and Otis Bartlett
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Urban Development and Infrastructure
2012. 133 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-396-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-398-5. $95.00.
The term "housing counseling" refers to a wide variety of educational
activities geared toward homebuyers, homeowners, renters, senior
citizens, or other populations with particular housing goals. Some
potential topics of housing counseling include pre-purchase counseling
for potential homebuyers; post-purchase counseling on subjects such as
budgeting or home maintenance and foreclosure prevention. This book
describes the housing counseling industry in general, with a focus on
HUD’s processes for certifying housing counseling agencies and
distributing housing counseling funding.

Housing Market Policy Options
Melissa O. Murray and Willie T. Cole
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-294-6. $135.00.
The ongoing problems in the U.S. housing market continue to impede
the economic recovery. House prices have fallen an average of about
33 percent from their 2006 peak, resulting in about $7 trillion in
household wealth losses and an associated ratcheting down of
aggregate consumption. At the same time, an unprecedented number of
households have lost, or are on the verge of losing, their homes. The
extraordinary problems plaguing the housing market reflect in part the
effect of weak demand due to high unemployment and heightened
uncertainty. But the problems also reflect three key forces originating
from within the housing market itself: a persistent excess supply of
vacant homes on the market, many of which stem from foreclosures; a
marked and potentially long-term downshift in the supply of mortgage
credit; and the costs that an often unwieldy and inefficient foreclosure
process imposes on homeowners, lenders, and communities. This book
provides a framework for thinking about directions policymakers
might take to help the housing market.

Mortgage Reform and the Federal Role in the
Secondary Mortgage Market
Alfred T. Francis and Deanna P. Santos
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
Case: 978-1-62100-861-3. $125.00.
The federal government assumed control of the ailing Federal National
Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) and Federal Home Loan Mortgage
Corporation (Freddie Mac) in 2008, two institutions that facilitate the
flow of funding for home loans nationwide. The cost to taxpayers of
that takeover, and the structural weaknesses that contributed to the
institutions’ financial problems, have prompted policymakers to
consider various alternatives for the government’s future role in the
secondary (resale) market for residential mortgages. This book
examines how Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac evolved into the
institutions they are today and the rationales that are often cited for
federal involvement in the secondary mortgage market and the
problems that existed with Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac before the
recent financial crisis.

Mortgages: Policies, Proposals and Trends
Foster Murphy and Owen C. Jensen
In series: Housing Issues, Laws and Programs
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-689-0. $110.00.
Congressional interest in residential mortgage markets has increased
following the collapse of the housing bubble, government financial
support to the mortgage market, and housing’s perceived importance to
the broader economic recovery. Since 2008, the residential mortgage
market has experienced some of the highest default and foreclosure rates since the Great Depression. This book provides an overview of the changing residential mortgage market, focusing on trends in housing prices, homeownership, mortgage characteristics, and financing. It also examines legislation and regulations designed to promote the efficient functioning of the mortgage market.

**National Disaster Housing Strategy and Implementation Plan**  
*Hunter F. Emond and Miles Leavy*  
In series: *Government Procedures and Operations*  
In series: *Natural Disaster Research, Prediction and Mitigation*  
2012. 194 pp.  
Case: 978-1-61942-223-3. $95.00.  

This book explores the National Disaster Housing Strategy and implementation plan. Today we face a wider range of hazards and potentially catastrophic events than we have ever faced before. These include terrorist attacks and major natural disasters that could destroy large sections of the Nation's infrastructure. This book describes how we as a Nation currently provide housing to those affected by disasters and examines the many sheltering and housing efforts we have in the United States and the broad array of organizations that are involved in managing these programs.

**No One Home: Challenges and Costs of Vacant Properties**  
*Milton L. Jackson and Gene A. White*  
In series: *Housing Issues, Laws and Programs*  
In series: *Social Issues, Justice and Status*  
Case: 978-1-61942-829-4. $95.00.  
e-book: 978-1-61942-832-4. $95.00.

During the continuing foreclosure crisis and economic downturn, increased numbers of vacant residential properties are becoming vandalized or dilapidated, attracting crime, and contributing to neighborhood decline in many communities across the country. Even though homeowners whose properties are being foreclosed upon may continue to occupy their properties until after a foreclosure sale occurs, many leave their homes during the foreclosure process. In addition, properties for which a new entity has assumed ownership through foreclosure may be vacant until the property is resold. This book explores the concern over the costs that foreclosed and unattended vacant homes are creating for local communities and the strategies state and local governments are using to address unattended vacant property problems and the challenges those governments face.

**Public Housing and the Moving to Work Program**  
*Martin A. Robertson and Ronald G. Harper*  
In series: *Housing Issues, Laws and Programs*  
In series: *Social Issues, Justice and Status*  
2013. 60 pp.  
Case: 978-1-62257-687-6. $110.00.  

The Moving to Work (MTW) demonstration program was created by Congress to give the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and local Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) the flexibility to test alternative policies for providing housing assistance through the nation's two largest housing assistance programs: the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program and the public housing program. The alternative policies are meant to increase the cost-effectiveness of assisted housing programs, promote the self-sufficiency of assisted families, and increase housing choices for low-income families. This book provides an overview of the history and purpose of the MTW demonstration program, followed by a description of some of the policies adopted by participating PHAs, and policy options for the future.

**HUMAN RIGHTS**

**China, Tibet, Hong Kong, Macau: Human Rights Reports**  
*Seth Rollins and Kirk M. Branch*  
In series: *Human Rights: Background and Issues*  
In series: *Global Political Studies*  
2012. 194 pp.  
Case: 978-1-62257-535-0. $110.00.  

This book on human rights practices chronicles dramatic changes and the stories of the people defending human rights in the countries and regions of China, Tibet, Hong Kong and Macau; with a focus on providing lawmaker's decisions on foreign military and economic aid. Respect for human rights is not a western construct or a uniquely American ideal; it is the foundation for peace and stability everywhere. Universal human rights include the right of citizens to assemble peacefully and to seek to reform or change their governments, a central theme around the world.

**INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

**Emerging Markets for U.S. Trade: The Pacific, Middle East and North Africa**  
*Pete J. Ward and Irving E. Ross*  
In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*  
In series: *Global Economic Studies*  
Case: 978-1-62081-601-1. $110.00.  

The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) is a proposed regional free trade agreement (FTA) currently under negotiation between Australia, Brunei, Chile, Malaysia, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, the United States, and Vietnam. The negotiating partners have expressed an interest in allowing this proposed "living agreement" to cover new trade topics and to include new members that are willing to adopt the proposed agreement's high standards. This book provides a comparative economic analysis of the (TPP) countries and their economic relations with the United States. It suggests that the TPP negotiating partners encompass great diversity in population, economic development, and trade and investment patterns with the United States. This economic diversity and inclusion of fast-growing emerging markets presents both opportunities and challenges for the United States in achieving a comprehensive and high standard regional FTA among TPP countries.

**Export Controls: Balancing U.S. Competitiveness with Security**  
*Jonathan A. Perkins*  
In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*  
Case: 978-1-62100-746-3. $95.00.  
e-book: 978-1-62100-797-5. $95.00.

The United States restricts the export of defense items or munitions, certain nuclear materials and technology and items that would assist in the development of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons or the missile technology used to deliver them. U.S. export controls are also
used to restrict exports to certain countries on which the United States imposes economic sanctions, such as Cuba, Iran and Syria, and also controls certain exports in adherence to several multilateral non-proliferation control regimes. This book examines the U.S. export control system and the various aspects that have long been criticized by exporters, non-proliferation advocates and other stakeholders as being too rigorous, insufficiently rigorous, obsolete, inefficient or any combination of these descriptions.

**International Trade: Agreements, Laws and Rules**

*John Joseph Edwards and Jeffery F. Ward*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*


Case: 978-1-62100-865-1. $95.00.


U.S. trade obligations derive from international trade agreements, including the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), the other World Trade Organization (WTO) agreements, and additional bilateral and regional trade agreements, as well as domestic laws intended to implement those agreements or effectuate U.S. trade policy goals. This book provides an overview of both sources of U.S. trade obligations, focusing on a select group of agreements, provisions, and statutes that are most commonly implicated by U.S. trade interests and policy.

**Raising U.S. Exports: Federal Promotion Efforts and Considerations**

*Jessica M. Winston and Emily A. Rembler*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*

In series: *America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues*


Soft: 978-1-62100-760-9. $47.00.

e-book: 978-1-62100-795-1. $47.00.

For many years, the U.S. government has played an active role in promoting U.S. commercial export of goods and services by administering various forms of export assistance through federal government agencies. Congress has had a long-standing interest in the effectiveness and efficiency of federal export promotion activities and may exercise export promotion authority in a number of ways, including through oversight, authorization, and funding roles. The recent global economic downturn has renewed congressional interest in U.S. government efforts to expand U.S. exports levels. This book discusses and analyzes U.S. export trends to provide context and federal export promotion efforts, with a focus on the National Export Initiative (NEI) and policy issues raised for Congress by such activities.

**The Dominican Republic-Central America-U.S. Free Trade Agreement**

*Juan M. Gonzales and Carlos O. L. Vasquez*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*

In series: *Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*

2012.

Soft: 978-1-62257-305-9. $52.00.

e-book: 978-1-62257-313-4. $52.00.

On August 5th, 2004, the United States entered into the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR). Congress passed the implementing bill on July 28th, 2005, and CAFTA-DR entered into force with El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Guatemala, the Dominican Republic and Costa Rica, thereafter. This permanent, comprehensive, and reciprocal trade agreement eliminates tariff and non-tariff barriers to two-way trade, building on unilateral trade preferences begun under the 1983 Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI). It enhances rules and other standards for services, intellectual property rights, government procurements, investment, and other disciplines. It also reinforces Congress’s historical support for trade as a foundation of broader foreign economic, political, and security policies in the region. This book provides an analysis of the trade and investment trends since CAFTA-DR entered into being.

**The U.S.-South Korea Free Trade Agreement**

*Kedrick E. Barnes and Patton F. Barker*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*

In series: *Asian Economic and Political Issues*

2012.

Soft: 978-1-62081-929-6. $52.00.

e-book: 978-1-62081-942-5. $52.00.

This book provides an overview of the U.S.-South Korea Free Trade Agreement (KORUS FTA) which covers a wide range of bilateral economic activities, including trade in manufactured goods, agricultural products and services; foreign investment; government procurement; intellectual property rights; and worker rights and environmental protection. The United States and South Korea entered into the KORUS FTA as a means to further solidify an already strong economic relationship by reducing barriers to trade and investment between them and to resolve long-standing troublesome economic issues. The United States specifically sought increased access to South Korean markets for agricultural products, services, and foreign investment. For South Korean leaders, the KORUS FTA is a mechanism to promote reform in its own economy and also to gain a competitive advantage in the U.S. markets for autos and other manufactured goods.

**Trends in U.S. Trade**

*Charles Schneider and Thomas G. Hatchet*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*

In series: *America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues*


Case: 978-1-62100-933-7. $185.00.


The United States is the world's largest service market and was the world's largest cross-border exporter and importer of services in 2009. Over the past three years, global trade in services has weakened in response to the downturn in the global economy, and new competitors have emerged. Despite these challenges, U.S. services providers remained highly competitive in 2009. This book provides an in-depth analyses of recent developments in the audiovisual services industry, which is highly influential both culturally and economically, as well as in professional service industries - computer, education, healthcare, and legal services.

**U.S. Trade with the Caribbean Basin: Policies and Impacts**

*Valerie Tatum and Raphael F. Ponce*

In series: *Trade Issues, Policies and Laws*

In series: *Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives*


Case: 978-1-61942-549-1. $125.00.


The United States has a long history of employing various types of trade incentives to encourage specific trade activities. Motivated by commercial, political, and security interests at times, the U.S. Congress has created multiple unilateral trade preference programs that promote developing-country exports, but are often structured so as to limit the
negative economic effects on U.S. producers and workers. Over time, bilateral, regional, and multilateral trade agreements have come to eclipse the importance of many preference arrangements, a trend that a review of these developments will show has been particularly visible in the Caribbean Basin. This book reviews unilateral preference programs for the Caribbean, and discusses how they have been affected by free trade agreements (FTAs) in the region.

**INTERNET**

**Governance of Domain Names on the Internet**

*Randy O. Alexander and Michelle A. Stevens*

In series: *Internet Theory, Technology and Applications*
In series: *Media and Communications - Technologies, Policies and Challenges*


Currently, an important aspect of the Internet is governed by a private sector, international organization called the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICAN), which manages and oversees some of the critical technical underpinnings of the Internet such as the domain name system and Internet Protocol (IP) addressing. ICANN makes its policy decisions using a multistakeholder model of governance, whereby a "bottom-up" collaborative process is open to all constituencies of Internet stakeholders. This book examines the issues of internet governance and domain name system protocol, with a focus on how other aspects of the Internet may be governed in the future, especially in such areas as intellectual property, privacy, law enforcement, Internet free speech, and cybersecurity. Looking forward, the institutional nature of Internet governance could have far reaching implications on important policy decisions that will likely shape the future evolution of the Internet.

**LANGUAGE**

**Language Acquisition**

*Leslie M. Warfelt*

In series: *Languages and Linguistics*

Case: 978-1-61209-569-1. $129.00.

Language acquisition is the process by which humans acquire the capacity to perceive, produce and use words to understand and communicate. This new book presents topical research in the study of language acquisition, including teaching language to Spanish students of EFL affected by ADHD; neural network created language; the use, application and challenges of MRI in a speech production study; the interaction between phonology and semantics in children's acquisition of the English plural and child maltreatment effects on language acquisition.

**Language Learning: New Research**

*Jennifer S. Avery and Matthew H. Stewart*

In series: *Languages and Linguistics*

In series: *Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World*

Case: 978-1-62100-631-2. $140.00.

In an increasingly global and mobile society, language learning has become critical. The authors of this book present new research in the study of language learning, including CALL technology for literacy and second language learning; the effect of bilinguality instruction on English reading achievement in bilingual South African children; vocabulary knowledge and reading ability in second language learning; multilingual learning; language learning through SMS and podcasts and the linguistic specializations of perceptual narrowing of speech and functional asymmetries.

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**Argentina: Environmental, Geographical and Cultural Issues**

*Angelo E. Rossi and Lola S. Miranda*

In series: *Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*
In series: *Global Political Studies*

Soft: 978-1-62081-319-5. $69.00.

In this book, the authors explore educational, geographical and cultural issues in Argentina. Topics include the present state of knowledge and research on the Loess of Cordoba, Central Plains; the place of Argentina within the global rugby setting; native cultural diversity in the Argentine Gran Chaco region; archaeology of the Highlands of Argentina; and critical problems for fresh water supply to summer resorts on the Eastern coast of the Buenos Aires province.
Chile: Environmental, Political and Social Issues

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In series: Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62257-184-0. $175.00.
Chile is recognized around the world for a strong economy, openness and political stability. There have been important advances in our economic model, educational system, and environmental regulation for sustainability, but further work needs to be done to improve Chilean competitiveness and, most importantly, citizens’ welfare. This book presents recent research on environmental, political and social issues in Chile. Each chapter provides diagnostic information and presents proposals and new ideas for sustainable development in Chile. This book explores the current situation of water resource management in Chile, as well as the implications of the exploitation of natural resources on the economic and social dimensions. The dynamics of urban expansion and structure in Chilean cities is also analyzed. Regarding the social dimension, immigration and gender issues are included, as well as a sound diagnosis of the higher education system.

Mexican Migration to the United States: Policies and Trends

Luis Victorino and Oscar J. Lara

In series: Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-537-4. $110.00.
History and geography have given Mexico a unique status in the U.S. immigration system, and have made the Mexico-U.S. migration flow the largest in the world. Mexicans are the largest group of U.S. migrants across most types of immigration statuses - a fact that may have important implications for how Congress makes U.S. immigration policy. This book reviews the history of immigration policy and migration flows between the countries and the demographics of Mexicans within the United States. It also analyzes contemporary issues in U.S. immigration policy and the impact Mexico may have on U.S. immigration outcomes.

The Economy of Cuba after the VI Party Congress: Between State Socialism and Market Socialism

Alberto Gabriele (Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland)

In series: Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-449-0. $85.00.
This book is the product of collaborations between Cuban and European social scientists. Without ignoring the devastating impact of the US embargo, it shows that Cuba’s grave economic impasse is endogenously rooted in the contradictions of its peculiar version of state socialism. These contradictions led to a strongly idealistic and egalitarian bias in economic and social policies, implying a severe underestimation of the objective constraints imposed by the relevance of the law of value in the domain of social relations of production and exchange. Two of their most severe manifestations of the crisis of Cuba’s traditional state socialist model are the parlous state of the agricultural sector and the emergence of multiple and novel forms of income inequality.

Trafficking Troubles in Latin America: Drugs and Humans

Bennett Jenkins and Hugh G. Paterson

In series: Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Drug Transit and Distribution, Interception and Control
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-753-8. $110.00.
This book explores the trafficking of persons for the purpose of exploitation and illicit drug trafficking in Latin America and the Caribbean. Trafficking in persons (TIP) is a lucrative criminal activity that is of major concern to the United States and the international community. Countries in Latin America serve as source, transit, and destination countries for trafficking victims. Drug trafficking is viewed as a primary threat to citizen security and U.S. interests in Latin America and the Caribbean despite decades of anti-drug efforts by the United States and partner governments. The production and trafficking of popular illicit drugs—cocaine, marijuana, opiates, and methamphetamine—generate a multi-billion dollar black market in which Latin American criminal and terrorist organizations thrive.

LAW

Affirmative Action and Preferential Treatment: Laws and Developments

Pamela L. Medina and Jimmy E. Patel

In series: Laws and Legislation
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-465-0. $110.00.
This book examines a survey of federal laws containing preferences based on race, gender, or ethnicity. Affirmative action remains a subject of public debate as the result of legal and political developments at the federal, state, and local levels. In recent years, federal courts have reviewed minority admissions programs to state universities; scrutinized the constitutional status of racial diversity policies in public elementary and secondary schools; ruled on minority preferences in public and private employment as a remedy for violation of civil and constitutional rights; and considered federal, state, and local efforts to increase minority participation as contractors and subcontractors on publicly financed construction projects. Also discussed is affirmative action in the workplace; diversity in public education; race discrimination and the Supreme Court; and pay discrimination claims of the Civil Rights Act.

Border Security and Illegal Immigration Enforcement

Richard M. Taylor and Louis O. Walker

In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-157-3. $110.00.
Border enforcement is a core element of the Department of Homeland Security’s (DHS’s) effort to control illegal migration, with the U.S. Border Patrol (USBP) within the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) as the lead agency along most of the border. Border enforcement has been an ongoing subject of congressional interest since the 1970s, when illegal immigration to the United States first
registered as a serious national problem; and border security has received additional attention in the decade following the terrorist attacks of 2001. This book reviews border enforcement efforts in the 25 years since the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA) initiated the modern era in migration control with a focus on appropriations and resources dedicated to border enforcement, indicators of enforcement outcomes, and possible secondary and unintended consequences of border enforcement.

Copyright Restoration and the Supreme Court's Golan v. Holder Decision

Nicholas A. Hernandez and Amy King
In series: Laws and Legislation
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012. 78 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-174-0, $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-177-1. $52.00.
This book examines the Golan v. Holder Supreme Court Case, which discussed whether Congress has the power to grant copyright protection to creative works that have already entered the public domain. A group of orchestras, conductors, educators, performers, film archivists, and motion picture distributors, who had relied on the free and unrestricted availability of these artistic works in the public domain for their livelihoods, filed a lawsuit against the federal government challenging the constitutionality of the URAA.

Criminal Justice in Indian Country: Key Data

Daniel Mercato and Elisabeth Rojas
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
Soft: 978-1-62100-267-3, $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-304-5. $47.00.
The Department of Justice has reported that the crime rates experienced by American Indians are two and a half times higher than those experienced by the general population in the United States. Specifically, from 1992 to 2001, American Indians experienced violent crimes at a rate of 101 violent crimes per 1,000 persons annually, compared to the national rate of 41 per 1,000 persons. The federal government plays a major role in prosecuting crimes committed in Indian country. For example, unless a federal statute has granted the state jurisdiction, the federal government has exclusive jurisdiction to prosecute non-Indians who commit crimes against Indians in Indian country, while the federal government and tribal governments both have jurisdiction to prosecute Indian offenders who commit crimes in Indian country. This book explores criminal justice in Native American communities with a focus on tribal crime data and an overview of their jails.

Crossroads of Intellectual Property: Intersection of Intellectual Property and other Fields of Law

Ana Ramalho and Christina Angelopoulos (Institute for Information Law, Amsterdam, The Netherlands)
In series: Intellectual Property in the 21st Century
Case: 978-1-61470-155-2, $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-296-2. $75.00.
The leading line of this book is the interplay between intellectual property and other fields of law. This volume deals specifically with civil law, criminal law, and competition law. The challenge presented to the contributors was to analyze the relation of intellectual property with any of these three fields, from a perspective individually chosen by the author.

Drug- and Crime-Related Restrictions in Federal Assistance Programs

Andrew R. Allen and Jennifer I. Flores
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
Case: 978-1-62257-127-7. $135.00.
Throughout the history of social assistance programs, administrators have attempted to limit access only to those families considered “worthy” of assistance. Policies about worthiness have included both judgments about need, generally tied to income, demographic characteristics, or family circumstances, and judgments about moral character, often as evidenced by behavior. Past policies evaluating moral character based on family structure have been replaced by today’s policies, which focus on criminal activity, particularly drug-related criminal activity. This book provides an overview of the history and evolution of policies establishing drug- and crime-related restrictions in federal assistance programs with a focus on TANF, SNAP, and three primary federal housing assistance programs (the public housing program, the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program, and the project-based Section 8 rental assistance program).

Extraterritorial Application of U.S. Criminal Law: Policies and Proposals

Darla A. Garcia and Grant T. Coleman
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Laws and Programs
Case: 978-1-62081-445-1. $110.00.
Criminal law is usually territorial. It is a matter of the law of the place where it occurs. Nevertheless, a number of American criminal laws apply outside of the United States. Application is generally a question of legislative intent, expressed or implied. In either case, it most often involves crimes committed aboard a ship or airplane, crimes condemned by international treaty, crimes relating to government employees or property overseas, or crimes that have an impact in this country even if planned or committed in part elsewhere. This book discusses the laws and policy surrounding extraterritorial jurisdiction and proposals for furthering accountability.

Federal Government and the REINS Act: Major Regulations

Lisa Matthews and Jason Fanning
In series: Laws and Legislation
Case: 978-1-62100-346-5. $95.00.
Under the Congressional Review Act, a covered agency regulation takes effect as provided by law unless Congress disapproves the rule with a joint resolution of disapproval. In contrast, the Regulations from the Executive In Need of Security (REINS) Act would generally require the enactment of a joint resolution of approval before any "major rule" could take effect. This book provides information on the types of "major rules" that may be covered by the REINS Act, if enacted. Specifically, it identifies how many major rules have been issued in recent years, and which agencies have issued them along with identifying why certain rules published during calendar year 2010 were considered to be major rules under the CRA.
Hiding in Plain Sight: Unanalyzed Evidence in Sexual Assault Cases
Luis I. Espinosa and Dylan C. Acosta
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
Case: 978-1-62100-073-0. $95.00.
Unanalyzed sexual assault evidence is being discovered in police evidence rooms across the country. It is unknown how many unanalyzed sexual assault kits (SAKs) are there nationwide. There are many reasons for this, but one is that tracking and counting SAKs is an antiquated process in many U.S. jurisdictions. Certainly, there may be legitimate reasons why some of the recently discovered unanalyzed SAKs were not sent to a lab. Not all evidence collected in an alleged sexual assault is going to be probable. For example, in cases where consent is an issue, detectives may consider that the SAK does not add any important information to the investigation. This book analyzes this issue and offers a variety of ramifications for the police and crime laboratories, for the courts, and for the victims.

Holocaust-Era Insurance Claims: Compensation and Legislation
Randy Kligg and Terry McGinn
In series: Laws and Legislation
Case: 978-1-61942-139-4. $110.00.
This book provides background on Holocaust-Era compensation and restitution issues; an overview of ICHEIC, including criticism and support of its claims process and Administration policy on ICHEIC and an overview of litigation on Holocaust-Era insurance claims and the proposed legislation.

Identity Theft: Trends and Prevention Efforts
Bryce N. Black and Fallene R. Harris
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Privacy and Identity Protection
Case: 978-1-62100-778-4. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-832-3. $95.00.
This book examines the trends and issues related to identity theft. In the wake of the economic downturn, policymakers are increasingly concerned with securing the economic health of the United States, including combating those crimes that threaten to further undermine the nation's financial stability. Identity theft is one such crime. It is the fastest growing type of fraud in the United States. Identity theft is often complicated. The select analyses provided in this book examine some of the myriad elements and considerations that arise in matters of jurisdiction. Included are: an overview of Congress's ability to participate in litigation before Article III courts; the interplay of borders, turf, cyberspace and jurisdiction; Indian tribal civil jurisdiction's reach over non-Indians; Supreme Court appellate jurisdiction over military court cases; federal jurisdiction in copyright registration; and challenges to "large" orders under federal contracts.

Illegal Aliens Enforcement and Restrictions
Kelly Downs and Delmer Rasmussen
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-631-3. $95.00.
This book discusses the power and ability of state and local authorities to assist in the enforcement of federal immigration law through the investigation and arrest of persons believed to have violated such laws. It describes federal statutes that expressly permit state and local police to enforce immigration law directly, and analyzes major cases concerning the ability of states and localities to assist in immigration enforcement.

Immigration Enforcement: Overstays and Student and Exchange Visitor Program
Bryant Ellis and Oliver Fuller
In series: Laws and Programs
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-808-5. $110.00.
Approximately 4 million to 5.5 million unauthorized immigrants in the U.S. entered the country legally on a temporary basis but then overstayed their authorized periods of admission, referred to as overstays. This book examines the extent to which the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) takes action to address overstays and its reported results. Additionally, as of January 2012, more than 850,000 active foreign students were in the U.S. enrolled at over 10,000 U.S. schools. The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency (ICE) is responsible for managing the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) and certifying schools to accept foreign students. This book also examines ICE's fraud prevention and detection procedures for SEVP, and the extent to which ICE has identified and assessed risks and developed policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud during the initial school certification process and once schools begin accepting foreign students.

Jurisdiction: Select Analyses, Considerations and Cases
Audrey E. Stewart and Dereck A. Washington
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections
2012. 150 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-429-1. $110.00.
In the realm of jurisprudence, the issue of jurisdiction can be quite complicated. The select analyses provided in this book examine some of the myriad elements and considerations that arise in matters of jurisdiction. Included are: an overview of Congress's ability to participate in litigation before Article III courts; the interplay of borders, turf, cyberspace and jurisdiction; Indian tribal civil jurisdiction's reach over non-Indians; Supreme Court appellate jurisdiction over military court cases; federal jurisdiction in copyright registration; and challenges to "large" orders under federal contracts.

Labor Relations: Major Laws and a Guide to the National Labor Relations Act
Allen Daniels and Ruth J. Hoffman
In series: Labor Relations: Major Laws and a Guide to the National Labor Relations Act
In series: Laws and Legislation
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012.
Since 1926, Congress has enacted three major laws that govern labor-management relations for private sector and federal employees. An issue for Congress is the effect of these laws on employers, workers, and the nation's economy. The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that, nationwide, 9.2 million employees are represented by unions. In the 112th Congress alone, more than 30 bills have been introduced to amend federal labor relations statutes. The proposals range from making union recognition without a secret ballot election illegal to further modifying runoff election procedures. This legislative activity, and the significant number of employees affected by federal labor
relations laws, illustrate the current relevance of labor relations issues to legislators and their constituents. The three major labor relations statutes in the U.S. are the Railway Labor Act, the National Labor Relations Act, and the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute. Each law governs a distinct population of the U.S. workforce. This book provides a brief history and overview of the aims of each of these statutes and discusses key statutory provisions for each statute.

Legalities of GPS and Cell Phone Surveillance
Emily M. Johnson and Michael J. Rodriguez
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Laws and Legislation
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-026-3. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-045-4. $52.00.
As technology continues to advance, what was once thought novel, even a luxury, quickly becomes commonplace, even a necessity. Global Positioning System (GPS) technology is one such example. Generally, GPS is a satellite-based technology that discloses the location of a given object. This technology is used in automobiles and cell phones to provide individual drivers with directional assistance. Just as individuals are finding increasing applications for GPS technology, state and federal governments are as well. State and federal law enforcement use various forms of GPS technology to obtain evidence in criminal investigations. For example, federal prosecutors have used information from cellular phone service providers that allows real-time tracking of the locations of customers' cellular phones. This book discusses the basics of GPS technology, society's reliance on it, and some of the related legal and privacy implications, with a focus on the legislative and judicial responses on both the federal and state levels.

Legislative Approaches to Online Piracy and Copyright Infringement
Donnell A. Russell and Trent E. Griffin
In series: Internet Policies and Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-974-1. $95.00.
Technological developments related to the Internet benefit consumers who want convenient ways to view and hear information and entertainment content on a variety of electronic devices. The global nature of the Internet offers expanded commercial opportunities for intellectual property (IP) rights holders but also increases the potential for copyright and trademark infringement. Piracy of the content created by movie, music, and software companies and sales of counterfeit pharmaceutical drugs and consumer products negatively impact the American economy and can pose risks to the health and safety of U.S. citizens. This book discusses legislative approaches to online piracy and copyright infringement.

Obama Administration Proposals for Cybersecurity Legislation
Matthew N. Merlotte and Jody S. Simmons
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
2012. 120 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62100-759-3. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-794-4. $47.00.
Responding to ongoing concerns over the state of U.S. cybersecurity, the Obama Administration released a report containing a proposal for significant cybersecurity legislation on May 12, 2011. The Administration's proposal contains seven sections and addresses many different subject areas. This book examines the first section of the Administration's proposal, dealing with criminal law. That section would supplement the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act (CFAA) by adding a mandatory three-year minimum penalty for damaging certain critical infrastructure computer, increase the penalties for most violations of the CFAA, modify the conspiracy and forfeiture provisions of the CFAA, and make felony violation of the CFAA a racketeering predicate offense.

Organized Retail Crime (Updated)
Greg Sampson and James Zeller
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
Case: 978-1-62100-117-1. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-222-2. $95.00.
Organized retail crime (ORC) involves the large-scale theft of everyday consumer items and potentially has much broader implications. Organized groups of professional shoplifters steal or fraudulently obtain merchandise that is then sold to individuals and retailers through a variety of venues. In an increasingly globalized society, more and more transactions take place online rather than face-to-face. As such, in addition to relying on physical resale markets, organized retail thieves have turned to online marketplaces as a means to fence their ill-gotten goods. This book is an updated examination of organized retail crime as it exposes the United States to economic, public health, and domestic security dangers. It is a national problem, not only for criminals, but for manufacturers, consumers, taxpayers and the states as well.

Police Deviance and Criminality: Managing Integrity and Accountability
Julia Davidson (Kingston University) and Petter Gottschalk (Norwegian Business School)
In series: Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement and Corrections
Case: 978-1-62100-938-2. $165.00.
Leadership and culture are important elements in policing. Police leaders often work within a police culture steeped with traditions. The purpose of this book is to describe and critically evaluate leadership roles and professional culture in the police, focusing upon integrity and accountability in policing. This book is aimed at executive courses for police officers in police university colleges all over the world. In addition, practicing police managers will find it useful. Persons working in police oversight organisations such as independent police complaint commissions will find it very useful. Generally, criminology students as well as police science students will find it useful in criminology courses and law enforcement courses.

Privacy: Management, Legal Issues and Security Aspects
Tobias K. Buckner and Bertram L. Knowles
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
In series: Safety and Risk in Society
Case: 978-1-61942-653-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61122-242-5. $95.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of the management, legal issues and security aspects relating to privacy. Topics discussed include the monitoring of privacy in the automobile insurance market; automated support for the auditing of personal data based on requirements cataloguing; the crisis of diminishing privacy; the ethical issues corresponding to privacy protection and privacy preserving data mining (PPDM).
Select Supreme Court Decisions: Analyses and Implications
Darrell R. George and Joyce M. Watkins
In series: Laws and Legislation 2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-444-5. $135.00.
This book analyzes recent Supreme Court decisions and their implications. Legislative decisions examined include: sex discrimination developments; retroactivity and the Good-Faith exception to the exclusionary rule; warrantless, police-triggered exigent searches; official immunity and material witnesses before the Supreme Court; the Confrontation Clause after Michigan v. Bryant and Bullcoming v. New Mexico; federal preemption of state tort law regarding medical devices with FDA premarket approval; an overview of the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act; implications for innovation policy in Microsoft v. i4i; duty to disclose shareholders in Matrixx Initiatives v. Siracusano; the Supreme Court's pre-enforcement review of the Clean Water Act; and judicial and legislative developments in the Law of Deinstitutionalization.

Sex Discrimination and Harassment: Legal Developments and Proposals
Herbert D. Andrews and Sean O. Spencer
In series: Laws and Legislation 2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-466-7. $110.00.
This book examines the legal developments and proposals concerning sexual discrimination and sexual harassment in federal law. Gender-based discrimination, sexual harassment, and violence against women in the workplace, schools, and society at large are continuing topics of legislative and judicial concern. Legal doctrines condemning the extortion of sexual favors as a condition of employment of job advancement and other sexually offensive workplace behaviors resulting in a "hostile environment" have evolved from judicial decisions under Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and other federal equal employment opportunity laws. In recent years, the U.S. Supreme Court has addressed a range of sexual harassment issues, from the legality of same-sex harassment to the vicarious liability of employers and local school districts for monetary damages as a result of harassment by supervisors and teachers. These and other significant Supreme Court cases regarding sexual harassment and violence against women are also discussed.

U.S. Border Security: Progress and Challenges
Joseph A. White and Jeffrey Clark
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-62081-156-6. $110.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-164-1. $110.00.
As part of its mission, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), through its U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) component, is to secure U.S. borders against threats of terrorism; the smuggling of drugs, humans and other contraband; and illegal migration. At the end of fiscal year 2010, DHS investments in border security had grown to $11.9 billion and included more than 40,000 personnel. To secure the borders, DHS coordinates with federal, state, local, tribal, and Canadian partners. This book examines DHS progress and challenges in securing the U.S. Southwest and Northern borders with a focus on enhancing measures to protect against the entry of terrorists, inadmissible aliens, and contraband; improving interagency coordination; and strengthening technology acquisition and deployment plans.

**LITERATURE**

New Classes of Contextual Grammars for Mildly Context Sensitive Formalisms
Lakshmanan Kuppusamy (School of Computing Sciences, VIT University, Vellore, India) 2012.
Case: 978-1-60692-138-8. $35.00.
Contextual grammars were introduced by S. Marcus in 1969 with a deep linguistic motivation. In contrast to the standard rewriting grammars, these grammars generate languages by adjoining contexts in each sentential form, according to a selector present in the string and the grammars have no distinction between terminal and nonterminal. In this book, the author presented a few results which are of interest to the domain of mildly context sensitive (MCS) formalisms. With this aim, the author discussed two new classes of contextual grammars, namely end-marked maximal depth-first (emdf) and inner end-marked maximal depth-first (iemdf) contextual grammars and raise arguments for the grammars can be considered as generative models for natural languages. These variants are obtained by imposing special conditions in selectiors and contexts of maximal depth-first grammars. The author proved that the three basic non-context-free constructions in natural languages can be realized upon using these variants with regular selectors, and the membership problem for these families of languages is decidable in polynomial time. The family of languages generated by iemdf grammars with regular selectors contains semilinear languages only, but however, the family of languages generated by emdf grammars with regular selectors contains non-semilinear languages also. The author also solved the semilinear issue for the family of languages generated by maximal depth-first (mdf), maximal lengthwise depth-first (mldf) and maximal local (mloc) contextual grammars. Consequently, the author saw that the family of languages generated by iemdf grammars possess the MCS formalism. Further, they show that any recursive enumerable language can be obtained from the languages generated by emdf, mdf and mldf grammars with regular selectors by taking appropriate morphisms, weak coding and left quotient.

**MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Advances in Communications and Media Research. Volume 8
Anthony V. Stavros (Editor)
Case: 978-1-61324-794-5. $140.00.
In a society predicated on information, the media has a pervasive presence. From government policy to leisure television, the information age touches us all. The papers collected in this book constitute some of today's leading analyses of the information industry. Together, these essays represent a needed foundation for understanding the present state and future development of the mass media. Current trends in communications as well as media impact on public opinion are studied and reported on.

Encyclopedia of Media and Communications Research (2 Volume Set)
Veronica L. Acchols (Editor)
In series: Media and Communications - Technologies, Policies and Challenges
Future of Audio and Video Markets as Presented to Congress
*Carter Powell Long and Fisher McDonald*
In series: *Media and Communications - Technologies, Policies and Challenges*
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-764-3. $110.00.
This book examines the future of today's audio and video markets as presented in testimony to Congress. Testimony is provided by the chairman of the DISH network; Sky Angel; Netflix; Hearst Television; National Cable and Telecommunications Association; National Music Publishers Association; Recording Industry Association of America; and Pandora, to name a few.

Social Media and Disasters: Uses, Options, Considerations
*Trent F. Sykes and Emmanuel A. Travis*
In series: *Natural Disaster Research, Prediction and Mitigation*
2012. 98 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-461-6. $47.00.
The development of new technologies that have emerged since the mid-1990s has led to Internet-based applications known as "social media" that enables people to interact and share information through media that were non-existent or widely unavailable 15 years ago. Examples of social media include blogs, chat rooms, discussion forums, wikis, YouTube Channels, LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter. Social media can be accessed by computer, tablets, smart and cellular phones, and mobile phone text messaging. This new book explores how social media has been used by emergency management officials and agencies with a focus on examining the potential benefits, as well as implications, of using social media in the context of emergencies and disasters.

**MIDDLE EAST**

Afghanistan in Transition: Before and After the Surge
*James K. Buck and Meredith J. Hinton*
In series: *The Middle East in Turmoil*
Case: 978-1-62081-289-1. $110.00.
Stated U.S. policy is to ensure that Afghanistan will not again become a base for terrorist attacks against the United States. Following policy reviews in 2009, the Obama Administration asserted that it was pursuing a well-resourced and integrated military-civilian strategy intended to pave the way for a gradual transition to Afghan leadership from July 2011 until the end of 2014. To carry out U.S. policy, a total of 51,000 additional U.S. forces were authorized by the two 2009 reviews, which brought U.S. troop numbers to a high of about 99,000, with partner forces adding about 42,000. The U.S. official view is that security gains achieved by the surge could be at risk from weak Afghan governance and insurgent safe havens in Pakistan, and that Afghanistan will still need direct security assistance after 2014. This book examines Afghanistan's post-Taliban governance and security, with a focus on U.S. policy and increasing emphasis on the need for a negotiated settlement to the Afghan conflict.

Arab States of the Persian Gulf Foreign
*Trey Blackburn and Jarred Gamble*
In series: *Politics and Economics of the Middle East*
Case: 978-1-61942-614-6. $95.00.
This book examines the Arab states of the Persian Gulf including: Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, The United Arab Emirates (UAE), and Oman; with a focus on their security, reform and U.S. relations.

Bahrain and Jordan Unrest and Foreign
*Keven Buck and Tad J. McPherson*
In series: *Politics and Economics of the Middle East*
This book examines the political structure, economic, security and U.S. relations with the countries of Bahrain and Jordan. Protests that erupted in Bahrain following the uprising that overthrew Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on February 11, 2011, demonstrate that Shiite grievances over the distribution of power and economic opportunities were not satisfied by relatively limited efforts to include the Shiite majority in governance. Consequently, several issues in U.S.-Jordanian relations are likely to figure in decisions by Congress and the Administration on future aid to and cooperation with Jordan. These include the stability of the Jordanian regime, the role of Jordan in the Arab-Israeli peace process, the possibility of U.S.-Jordanian nuclear energy cooperation, and U.S.-Jordanian military and intelligence cooperation.

Bypassing Iran: Petroleum Production and the Strait of Hormuz
*Ordwin I. Wright and Kalen M. Stewart*
In series: *Petroleum Science and Technology*
In series: *The Middle East in Turmoil*
2012. 82 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-665-3. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-695-0. $52.00.
Some officials of Iran have recently renewed threats to close or exercise control over the Strait of Hormuz. Iran's threats appear to have been prompted by the likely imposition of new multilateral sanctions targeting Iran's economic lifeline - the export of oil and other energy products. In the past, Iranian leaders have made similar threats and comments when the country's oil exports have been threatened. However, as in the past, the prospect of a major disruption of maritime traffic in the Strait risks damaging Iranian interests. U.S. and allied military capabilities in the region remain formidable. This makes a prolonged outright closure of the Strait appear unlikely. Nevertheless, such threats can and do raise tensions in global energy markets and leave the United States and other global oil consumers to consider the risks of another potential conflict in the Middle East. This book
examines the Iranian threats to the Strait of Hormuz and analyzes the implications of some scenarios for potential U.S. or international conflict with Iran.

Economic Development in the Middle East and North African Countries: Contemporary Issues
Hadi S. Esfahani (University of Illinois, Urbana, IL), Gulcay Tuna (Eastern Mediterranean University, Turkey)
In series: Politics and Economics of the Middle East
In series: African Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61324-847-8. $140.00.
The Middle East and North African (MENA) region seems to have rebounded from the ripple effects of the global financial crisis for the most part with relative strength. Despite their increased integration into the world economy over the past two decades, a number of their characteristics shielded most MENA countries from the full effects of the crisis and enabled them to resume growth after a brief slow down. Research on MENA economies is rapidly growing and overcoming the past scarcity of published work in the area. This book contributes to this process and make some of the recent original research on MENA countries available to scholars and policymakers. The articles in this volume examine a variety of issues in several MENA economies and shed light on their attempts at reaching sustainable economic development within the new environment of globalization and financial liberalization.

Iraq After Saddam Hussein: Facing Challenges, Securing Gains
Alex M. Jackson and Madison S. Jones
In series: The Middle East in Turmoil
In series: Global Political Studies
Case: 978-1-62081-994-8. $125.00.
Iraq has completed a political transition from the dictatorship of Saddam Hussein to a plural polity that encompasses varying sects and ideological and political factions. That transition has been accomplished through a series of elections that began in 2005, after a one-year occupation period and a subsequent seven-month interim period of Iraqi self-governance. However, disputes over the relative claim of each community on power and economic resources permeate almost every issue in Iraq, including security, elections, economic decision making, and foreign policy. The constant infighting over these issues has contributed to popular frustration over the lack of focus on improving governance and delivery of services. This book examines the politics, governance, and human rights issues facing Iraq today.

Pakistan: U.S. Relations and Foreign Assistance
DeAndre K. Whiteley and Kieith E. Noel
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
In series: Global Political Studies
2012. 149 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-020-0. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-028-6. $95.00.
This book summarizes important recent developments in Pakistan and in Pakistan-U.S. relations. The Obama Administration’s engagement with Pakistan has been seriously disrupted by recent events. A brief analysis of the current state of Pakistan-U.S. relations illuminates the main areas of contention and uncertainty. Vital U.S. interests related to links between Pakistan and indigenous American terrorism, Islamist militancy in Pakistan and Islamabad’s policies toward the Afghan insurgency, Pakistan’s relations with historic rival India, nuclear weapons proliferation and security, and the troubled status of Pakistan’s domestic setting are reviewed. Ongoing human rights concerns and U.S. foreign assistance programs for Pakistan are also discussed.

Rivalry in the Middle East: Saudi Arabia and Iran
Mackenzie Tyler and Anthony M. Boone
In series: The Middle East in Turmoil
Case: 978-1-62081-266-2. $110.00.
The Middle East is undergoing an era of revolutionary change that is challenging the foreign policies of the United States and virtually all regional states. One of the most important rivalries defining the strategic landscape of the Middle East is between Iran and Saudi Arabia. The competition between these two states is long-standing, but is especially important now. This book examines how the successor presidency of Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has damaged relations in the Saudi-Iranian relationship along with the Saudi-led intervention into Bahrain.
The Sanctions Squeeze on Iran and Syria
*Mitch H. Rocha and Ricky L. Puckett*
In series: *The Middle East in Turmoil*
In series: *Global Political Studies*
2012. 139 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-015-6. $47.00.
This book examines the broad international support for imposing progressively strict economic sanctions on Iran to try to compel it to verifyably confine its nuclear program to purely peaceful times. Additionally, this book analyzes the current unrest in Syria and the U.S. response to the Syrian government's crackdown on demonstrators, providing background information on U.S. sanctions against the Asad regime and its supporters.

To Build an Afghan Nation
*Victor W. Wells and Craig E. Tucker*
In series: *Politics and Economics of the Middle East*
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-311-0. $195.00.
In aiming to create a "democratic, well-governed state" in Afghanistan, the United States chose an extremely difficult candidate for nationhood or nation-building assistance. At its most basic level, a modern nation must be comprised of people, a functioning government, a recognized territory, and an economic base. Even when compared against that modest standard, the case of Afghanistan is problematic. Considering Afghanistan's history, as well as its geography, demographics, tribalism, warlordism, existing political cultural norms, drug trade, crime, and history of ineffective governance and corruption, it becomes abundantly clear that there are major obstacles standing in the way of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's (NATO) ambitious goals of effective democratic governance and nationhood. This book examines Afghanistan's post-Taliban governance, security, U.S. policy and future struggles to nationhood.

Tomorrows's Players: The Arab Israeli Case
*Alean Al-Krenawi (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel)*
In series: *Politics and Economics of the Middle East*
In series: *Safety and Risk in Society*
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-754-4. $85.00.
This book examines the influence of exposure to political violence on the psychological, social and familial functioning of adolescents aged 14-18 from Israel and from Palestine. The authors' research provides powerful, self-reported data of how youth evaluate a variety of phenomena: their psychological functioning, their family's economic status, their family's functioning, and their experiences of domestic, political, and school violence. The authors highlight differences and similarities between four groups of young people: between Israeli and Palestinian youth, between Palestinian adolescents in the West Bank and Gaza, between Palestinians within Israel and from other areas, and between Jewish-Israelis and Arab-Israelis.

**MILITARY**

Arlington National Cemetery: Management, Burial and Contracting Challenges
*Jacob M. Brown and Mace I. Kelly*
In series: *Military and Veteran Issues*
Case: 978-1-62081-365-2. $110.00.
The Army's management of Arlington National Cemetery has come under scrutiny following the discovery of burial errors and the identification of serious management deficiencies affecting cemetery operations. Established during the Civil War, Arlington contains the remains of more than 330,000 military service members, family members, and other individuals, including two U.S. Presidents. Arlington conducts an average of 27 funerals each day, hosts hundreds of ceremonies throughout the year, and has approximately 4 million visitors annually. This book examines the Army's efforts to address and improve management deficiencies at Arlington; the process for providing information and assistance to families regarding efforts to detect and correct burial errors; and factors affecting the feasibility and advisability of transferring jurisdiction for the Army's national cemeteries to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Combatant Commands in the U.S. Armed Forces: Elements and Considerations
*Quincy N. Butler and Harris A. Simmons*
In series: *Defense, Security and Strategies*
In series: *American Political, Economic, and Security Issues*
Case: 978-1-61942-924-6. $215.00.
The Unified Command Plan (UCP) and associated Combatant Commands (COCOMs) provide operational instructions and command and control to the Armed Forces and have a significant impact on how they are organized, trained and resourced - areas over which Congress has constitutional authority. The UCP is a classified executive branch document prepared by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and reviewed and updated every two years that assigns missions; planning, training, and operational responsibilities; and geographic areas of responsibilities to COCOMs. This book provides information on the history, mission, and operational considerations of the UCP and COCOMs with a focus on current issues and considerations.

Commercial Shipbuilding Lessons for Navy Shipbuilders
*Pat F. Key and Erick H. Spence*
In series: *Construction Materials and Engineering*
In series: *Defense, Security and Strategies*
Case: 978-1-61942-429-6. $95.00.
Delivering ships on time and within budget are imperatives in commercial shipbuilding. To ensure the design and construction of a ship can be executed as planned, commercial shipbuilders and buyers do not move forward until critical knowledge is attained. Before a contract is signed, a full understanding of the effort needed to design and construct the ship must be reached, enabling the shipbuilder to sign a contract that fixes the price, delivery date, and ship performance parameters. Navy programs often do not employ these best practices. This new book examines commercial shipbuilding lessons that can be learned and applied by Navy shipbuilders.

Congressional Limits on Military Operations
*Violet L. Turner and Maddox M. Watson*
In series: *Defense, Security and Strategies*
In series: *Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures*
Controversy continues over the appropriate role that Congress should play in regulating U.S. military operations against foreign entities. U.S. action against Libya reignited consideration of long-standing questions concerning the President's constitutional authority to use military force without congressional authorization, as well as congressional authority to regulate or limit the use of such force. As Congress considers defense authorization and appropriate bills, there may be renewed focus on whether or to what extent Congress has the constitutional authority to legislate limits on the President's authority to conduct military operations in Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, or other locations. This book discusses the constitutional provisions allocating war powers between Congress and the President, and presents a historical overview of relevant court cases, and other considerations which may inform congressional decisions on war powers.

Military Personnel: Select Policies and Developments
Albert B. Foster and Wendy Phillips
In series: Military and Veteran Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-374-4. $110.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-403-1. $110.00.

Military personnel issues typically generate significant interest from many Members of Congress and their staffs. Recent military operations in Iraq and ongoing operations in Afghanistan, along with the operational role of the Reserve Components, further heighten interest in a wide range of military personnel policies and issues. This book provides an overview of select policies and developments with regard to military personnel including: reserve component personnel issues; military pay and benefits; military retirement reform; military justice and court-martial review; military funeral honors and military cemeteries; the repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"; and military base closures.

Military Uniforms: Assessments and Procurement
Gerard F. Perry and Michael E. Williams
In series: Military and Veteran Issues
2012. 76 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-375-1. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-402-4. $52.00.

The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), an agency of the Department of Defense (DOD), supplies more than 8,000 different items ranging from uniforms and body armor to tents and canteens. Military uniforms are procured through competitive contracts. This book provides an overview of military uniform assessment and procurement.

Navy Amphibious Ships: Procurement and Deployment
Timothy L. Roberts and Stephen Turner
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-735-8. $95.00.

The Navy's latest 30-year shipbuilding plan has a force of 33 amphibious warfare ships as its objective. The primary purpose of those ships in wartime is to carry Marine Corps units overseas and to support and sustain them as they deploy ashore. In peacetime, amphibious ships perform various missions, such as engaging in routine patrols overseas, reassuring allies, responding to crises, and providing humanitarian relief. This book provides an overview of the size, missions, and use of the Navy's amphibious warfare ships and related expeditionary forces under the Navy's "2012 shipbuilding plan".

Navy Ship Names: Elements, Rules and Shipbuilding Plans
Clay P. Shaw and Vance E. Cruz
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
2012. 82 pp.

Names for Navy ships traditionally have been chosen and announced by the Secretary of the Navy, under the direction of the President and in accordance with rules prescribed by Congress. Rules for giving certain types of names to certain types of Navy ships have evolved over time. There have been exceptions to the Navy's ship-naming rules, particularly for the purpose of naming a ship for a person when the rule for that type of ship would have called for it to be named for something else. Some observers in recent years have perceived a breakdown in, or corruption of, the rules for naming Navy ships. This book explores the Navy's process for selecting names for its ships; with a focus on the planned size of the Navy; the rate of Navy ship procurement and the prospective affordability of the Navy's shipbuilding plans.

Sexual Assault and Harassment in the U.S. Military
Quinton Chaney and Karen Merrill
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-509-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-512-5. $95.00.

Sexual harassment is a form of unlawful discrimination that can jeopardize the military's combat readiness and mission accomplishment by weakening interpersonal bonds and eroding unit cohesion. This book examines the most current available data on sexual harassment in the military and assesses the Department of Defense's (DOD) efforts to address this issue.

United States Army Drawdown and Restructuring: Assessments and Implications
Jacob E. Black and Danny F. Gardner
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-483-4. $52.00.
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This book examines the strategic risk posed by a smaller and restructured Army; the "health" of the Army given the impending drawdown; the drawdown and restructuring of the U.S. Army, including the role of the National Guard and Reserves. On January 26, 2012, senior DOD leadership unveiled a new defense strategy based on a review of potential future security challenges, current defense strategy, and budgetary constraints. This new strategy envisions a smaller, leaner Army that is agile, flexible, rapidly deployable, and technologically advanced. This strategy will rebalance the Army's global posture and presence, emphasizing where potential problems are likely to arise, such as the Asia-Pacific region and the Middle East. The proposals to drawdown and restructure the Army have a number of strategic implications, including the capability to conduct stability and counterinsurgency operations, the ability to fight two simultaneous wars, shifting strategic emphasis to the Asia-Pacific region, and how the Army will maintain presence in the Middle East.
Veteran Injuries, Disorders and Medical Care Service
Jessica Michaels and Jesse E. Levine
In series: Military and Veteran Issues
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e-book: 978-1-62081-327-0. $135.00.
A broad range of medical care services and benefits are offered to veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. This book examines a variety of medical conditions which afflict veterans, basic eligibility criteria for VA administered veterans' benefits, types of medical care offered and social policy considerations. Topics include suicide and VA prevention efforts; PTSD and substance use among Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) veterans; traumatic brain injury among veterans; veterans' mental health; VA community living centers; outpatient clinics; and veterans' medical care appropriations.

Veterans: Health Issues, Coping Strategies and Benefits
Madison McCleod and Chad S. Hewitt
In series: Health Care in Transition
Case: 978-1-62081-268-6. $95.00.
In this book, the authors discuss topical issues relating to veterans including transfusion therapy for veteran patients; low serum vitamin D and its association with metabolic syndrome in African American and Caucasian American male veterans; eye care issues in veterans; substandard and lack of affordable housing in the veteran population; the rehabilitation of shaken soldier syndrome; and genetic markers in suicidal and non-suicidal veterans with combat-related post-traumatic stress disorder.

Women in Combat and the Armed Forces: Policies and Perceptions
Redmond F. Hunt and Vaughn W. Mills
In series: Military and Veteran Issues
In approximately 10 years of combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, over 283,000 female members have been deployed, over 800 have been wounded and over 130 have died. On numerous occasions women have been recognized for their heroism, two earning Silver Star medals. This outcome has resulted in a renewed interest in Congress, the Administration, and beyond in reviewing and possibly refining or redefining the role of women in the military. This book examines the role of women in combat with a focus on the laws, policies and regulations restricting the service of female members in the U.S. Armed Forces and the perceptions and current operational environment.

Women Veterans: Housing and Health Care Concerns
Jason F. Baker and Philip M. Roberts
In series: Women's Studies
In series: Women's Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-212-9. $110.00.
As more women serve in the military, the number of women veterans has grown substantially, doubling from 4 percent of all veterans in 1990 to 8 percent, or an estimated 1.8 million, today. The number of women veterans will continue to increase as servicemembers return from the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. Some of these women veterans, like their male counterparts, face challenges readjusting to civilian life and are at risk of becoming homeless. Additionally, as more women veterans are seeking care at VA facilities, Congress and others have raised concerns about how well VA's health care system is prepared to meet the unique physical and mental health needs of these women. This book examines the issues of women veterans health care and the key policies needed to improve oversight processes and the necessary actions that need to be taken to ensure safe and appropriate housing upon their return.

PHILOSOPHY

Philosophy of Mind
Russell J. Jenkins and Walter E. Sullivan
In series: World Philosophy Series
Case: 978-1-62257-215-1. $120.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-229-8. $120.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of the philosophy of the mind. Topics discussed in this compilation include the concepts of hope and belief; how consciousness builds the subject through relating and human behavior; analyzing the neurophysiological mechanism of qigong on the mind and brain activity; the conscious and unconscious mind and implications for society, religion, and disease; how the mind is shaped by culture; and the power of computational mathematics to explore some of the universal ways by which each human mind builds its image of the world.

Structural Reality
Mark Burgin (U.C.L.A)
In series: Mathematics Research Developments
2012.
Case: 978-1-62081-641-7. $150.00.
In this attractive and very accessible new book, Mark Burgin, an acclaimed author of Neoclassical Analysis: Calculus Closer to the Real World and Theory of Named Sets, examines the deep mysteries of structures, exploring different facets of reality, explicating the structure of the world's existence and explicating fundamental issues of symbols, signs and concepts. This book is aimed at a wide audience of readers who want to better understand the world in which they live. That is why the author tried to write the main body of the book, that is, all its chapters, without mathematical formulas and formal constructions. However, for a mathematician, it is impossible even to imagine such an important topic as structural reality without a mathematical theory. So, formal constructions, exact definitions, mathematical formulas and examples of advanced mathematical structures are given in the Appendix.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Biopolitics: The Political Potential of the Life Sciences
Alexander V. Oleskin (Biology Department, Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia)
In series: Ethical Issues in the 21st Century
In series: Global Political Studies
Case: 978-1-62081-088-0. $165.00.
In the 21st century, the life sciences exert a considerable influence on the humanities and social sciences. People around the world pin their hopes on biology (which can help overcome the ecological crisis and produce new kinds of cheap food) and are concerned about possible risks associated with its developments (such as the possible creation of genetic mutants and cloned humans). Biological knowledge is being increasingly applied to issues related to ethics, linguistics, esthetics, history, and politics. Biology is currently making a significant contribution to the development of new guidelines concerning the economic and cultural progress of humankind. This book concentrates on an important aspect of the biological mission in the present-day world—on its social and political implications. Taken together, they are referred to as biopolitics in this book.

Conservatism’s Secret Long Journey: From Medievalism to Fascism
Milan Zafirovski (University of North Texas, Department of Sociology, Denton, TX)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Global Political Studies
Case: 978-1-61942-898-0. $175.00.
This book reexamines conservatism, the dominant ideology, politics, and discourse in America since the 1980s through the 2010s. This book investigates and uncovers what conservatism has so successfully and cleverly kept as its best secret and mystery, its initial roots and its ultimate outcome, especially in America in contrast to Europe where it has not been so successful in this respect. This book rediscovers the point of origin or genesis and the destination or end point of conservatism. It reveals medievalism, including feudalism, despotism, and medieval theocracy, as the point of origin, “golden past” of conservatism. It diagnoses and anticipates fascism, including Nazism and neo-fascism, as the destination, “bright” future of conservatism. This book exposes conservatism as the “child” of the Dark Middle Ages and the “parent” of fascism as the “New Dark Ages.” By uncovering its long journey from medievalism to fascism the book renders conservatism’s best kept secret into the worst kept.

Diplomatic Security and New Embassy Compounds
David A. Brunner
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62100-235-2. $110.00.
The Department of State's Diplomatic Security protects people, information and property with over 400 locations worldwide and has experienced a large growth in its budget and personnel over the last decade. Diplomatic Security trains its workforce and others to address a variety of threats, including crime, espionage, visa and passport fraud, technological intrusions, political violence and terrorism. In response to the 1998 bombings of two U.S. embassies, the Department of State embarked on a multiyear, multibillion dollar program to replace insecure and dilapidated diplomatic facilities. Since 2001, the Department of State has constructed 52 new embassy compounds under this program, and moved over 21,000 U.S. government personnel into more secure and safe facilities. This book provides an overview of diplomatic security expanded missions and inadequate facilities that pose challenges to training efforts.

Greece: Economics, Political and Social Issues
Panagiotis Llargoves (University of Peloponnese, Tripolis, Greece)
In series: European Political, Economic, and Security Issues
2012. 343 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-944-3. $185.00.
Greece is at a critical juncture of its recent history. The economic policies of the last three decades have brought it close to bankruptcy. Much of the debate about Greece’s current problems has focused on the short-run management of the crisis. This book contributes to public debate by bringing into discussion important economic, political and social issues which have played a major role in preventing Greece’s transformation into a modern capitalist economy.

Politics and Economics of South and Central America
Vincenzo Cucinotta
In series: Latin American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61470-446-1. $185.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-545-1. $185.00.
This book presents research in the study of current politics and economics of South and Central America; Topics discussed include U.S.-Latin America trade; the proposed U.S.-Panama Free Trade Agreement; agriculture in pending U.S. free trade agreements with Colombia, Panama and South Korea; Mexico-U.S. relations; Argentina's defaulted sovereign debt; politics and economic conditions of Paraguay and Uruguay; Brazil's WTO case against the U.S. Cotton Program and gangs in Central America.

Super PACs (Political Action Committees): The New Force in Federal Elections
Derrick D. Jamison and Gina Gore
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-557-6. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-581-1. $95.00.
Super PACs emerged after the U.S. Supreme Court permitted unlimited corporate and union spending on elections in January 2010. These entities have been permitted to accept unlimited contributions and make unlimited expenditures aimed at electing or defeating federal candidates. Super PACs may not contribute funds directly to federal candidates or parties. This book explores what super PACs are, how they developed, what they raised and spent in the 2010 election cycle, and issues that appear on the horizon for 2012.

Weekend Voting for Federal Elections: Proposals and Views
Anthony K. Harris and Michael A. Lewis
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Soft: 978-1-62081-141-2. $52.00.
Voting is fundamental to our democracy, yet many U.S. citizens who are eligible to vote do not take advantage of their constitutional right to vote in federal elections. For instance, about 62 percent of eligible citizens voted in the November 2008 general election and about 42 percent voted in the November 2010 general election. Policymakers, legislators, researchers, and advocacy organizations have explored ways to make voting more convenient with the goal of increasing voter turnout. Various bills have been introduced in Congress since 1995 to increase voter convenience by changing the day of presidential and congressional elections from Tuesday to the weekend. This book focuses on issues related to implementing weekend elections and The Help America Vote Act.

**PRESIDENCY**

**Becoming President: Qualifications, Nominations and Funding**
*Silas M. Riley and Riley J. Armstrong*
In series: *Presidency in the United States*
The Constitution sets out three eligibility requirements to be President: one must be 35 years of age, a resident "within the United States" for 14 years, and a "natural born Citizen". There is no Supreme Court case which has ruled specifically on the presidential eligibility requirements, and this clause has been the subject of several legal and historical treatises over the years, as well as more recent litigation. This book discusses the qualifications required to become a President of the United States, as well as the required nominations and funding.

**George W. Bush: Life of Privilege, Leadership in Crisis**
*Luke A. Nichter (Texas A&M University – Central Texas)*
In series: *First Men, America’s Presidents Series*
Edited by: *Peterson, Barbara Bennett (Oregon State University)*
While George W. Bush has been out of office for only a few years, an early historical assessment is much needed. This is very difficult for a historian, and especially when one’s subject is George W. Bush. He no longer has a legislative or political career against which to measure his presidency. There are virtually no public records available for the first two-thirds of his life. He is too recently out of office to have a presidential library, or records from his administration declassified. Even his papers as governor remain officially closed and await transfer to the campus of Southern Methodist University where his presidential papers will be prepared for eventual release. Despite those shortcomings in methodology, this book is an attempt at such a historical assessment.

**John F. Kennedy: The New Frontier President**
*David L. Sneed (Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA)*
In series: *First Men, America’s Presidents Series*
Edited by: *Peterson, Barbara Bennett (Oregon State University)*
President of the United States of America is an official title sought by many and won by only a few individuals. The series entitled First Men, America’s Presidents, contains a book length biography of each President of the United States of America. Every book contains information on the President’s early education, professional career, military or political service prior to the presidency, interpretative discussion of both domestic and foreign policies during each presidency, and the conclusion of their political lives in public service. The two major themes of this series are the character traits marking success in the presidency, and the changes in the office of presidents throughout America’s history. This new book is in celebration of John F. Kennedy, our 35th president, and his major contribution to our country before his untimely, tragic death.

**Presidency in the United States, Volume 2**
*Gabriel L. Carreiro*
In series: *Presidency in the United States*
This series gathers and presents original research in the study of the Presidency of the United States. Each article has been carefully selected in an attempt to present substantial topical data across a broad spectrum. Topics discussed in this compilation include senate consideration of presidential nominations; presidential appointments, the Senate’s confirmation process, and proposal for change, 112th congress; recess appointments; and presidential policy directive 8 and the national preparedness system.

**President James Buchanan and the Crisis of National Leadership**
*Thomas A. Horrocks (Cambridge, MA)*
In series: *First Men, America’s Presidents Series*
Edited by: *Peterson, Barbara Bennett (Oregon State University)*
Although none of his contemporaries considered Buchanan a political genius or a brilliant statesman, many thought in 1856 that he was the right man for the times. Few have assumed the office of the presidency with such a sterling résumé as Buchanan. With many years of experience, including stints as a member of the United States House of Representatives and Senate, Minister to Russia, Secretary of State, and Minister to Great Britain, he seemed well equipped to deal with the brewing sectional crisis he faced as president. Buchanan entered office during a time that required strong and decisive presidential leadership. Yet, despite his years of political experience, James Buchanan failed to provide that leadership. This book examines the life and presidency of James Buchanan and seeks to explain why such an experienced politician failed the test of leadership in a time of national crisis.

**President or King? Evaluating the Expansion of Executive Power from Abraham Lincoln to George W. Bush**
*Meena Bose (Hofstra University, New York, USA)*
In series: *White House Studies*
With the expansion of the federal government since the 1930s and the rise of the United States as a global power in the twentieth century, the need for a powerful president to direct American priorities and policies is clear. In times of national crisis, domestic and international focus on the president becomes even greater, with the widespread expectation
that executive leadership is necessary to combat the challenge. The need for checks on that power by other institutions of American government, namely Congress and the courts, also is evident, though the balancing of presidential power typically has not developed in conjunction with its expansion. This edited volume analyzes the growth of presidential power from the Civil War era to the present, examining both emergency situations in wartime and developments in non-crisis periods.

**Warren G. Harding: Harbinger of Normalcy**

*H. Michael Tarver (Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR) Mildred Diane Gleason (Dardanelle, AR)*

In series: *First Men, America’s Presidents Series*
Edited by: *Peterson, Barbara Bennett (Oregon State University)*

In series: *Presidency in the United States*

Case: 978-1-61470-875-9. $75.00.

Warren Gamaliel Harding was a traditional man in the mode of the late-nineteenth, early-twentieth century. His values, perspective on the world around him, his habits and leisure pastimes, and his opinions about being an American and a man were all extremely traditional. To understand Warren G. Harding one must first seek the essence of the man. This work attempts to discover and analyze the essence of Harding through three methods. First, this book presents a biographical overview that examines the person of Warren G. Harding in an effort to understand how he captured the admiration and adoration of so many Americans while at the same time being assailed as an ignorant man, incompetent President, and unethical individual. Second, in order to ascertain and evaluate Harding as a political leader and the effectiveness of his presidency, this book analyzes selected key decisions, tactics, and policies pursued by the Harding Administration. Third, this work briefly describes the context of the Harding Era, basically the period from 1920 through 1923.

**PSYCHOLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY**

**Adolescent Behavior**

*Cherylynn Bassani (University of the Fraser Valley)*

In series: *Psychology Research Progress*

Case: 978-1-62100-700-5. $185.00.

Adolescent Behaviour examines current topics concerning adolescents around the world. With its international scope, researchers from six nations contribute to our understanding of adolescent issues and programs in Australia, Canada, Italy, Northern Ireland, Scotland and the United States. While youth studies has been an active field since the better part of the last century, as most youth researchers and program and policy facilitators would agree, the lives of young people have been continuously and rapidly changing over the past few decades. Adolescent Behaviour addresses current issues that young people in today’s world face. The book is divided into five sections: Indicators of Youth Well-Being, Risky Behaviour, Gang Behaviour, Youth Perceptions and Program Assessment of youth programs.

**Advances in Psychology Research. Volume 89**

*Alexandra M. Columbus*

In series: *Advances in Psychology Research*

Case: 978-1-61492-025-0. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61492-027-4. $95.00.

This continuing series presents original research results on the leading edge of psychology. This book reviews research on social anxiety disorder comorbid with depression; potential blood tests for mental disorders; affective-emotional perspectives for chronic pain management; the color of sexuality; frequency and intensity of fears by age and gender among Mexican adolescents and young adults; the genetics of late life depression; executive functioning in borderline personality disorder with and without self-harming behaviors and the risk factors and prevention methods for suicide.

**Advances in Relational Competence Theory: With Special Attention to Alexithymia**

*Mario Cusinato (Dipartimento di Psicologia Generale, University of Padova, Italy) and Luciano L’Abate (Atlanta, GA)*

In series: *Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions*

Case: 978-1-62100-599-5. $165.00.

This book updates and expands on Relational Competence Theory developed originally by Dr. Luciano L’Abate since 1976. Over the years, this theory has received various updates and expansions, especially after being produced according to a hierarchical flowchart, as common in most complex human organizations. The present book concentrates particularly on a condition called Alexithymia, similar but not the same as the Asperger Syndrome, the inability to experience feelings and to express them emotions. Most chapters in this book expand on the first model of RCT about how feelings are experienced and expressed using an expanded revision of the Relational Answers Questionnaire. Self-presentation was evaluated with a new scale, and Selfhood was expanded with a widely revised and expanded Self-Other Profile Chart.

**Beyond the Lab: Applications of Cognitive Research in Memory and Learning**

*Glenda Andrews and David Neumann (Griffith University Gold Coast, Australia)*

In series: *Psychology Research Progress*

Case: 978-1-61324-845-4. $165.00.
e-book: 978-1-61324-891-1. $165.00.

Psychological research in perception, learning, memory and cognition seeks to explain human thinking and behavior. This research is relevant to many everyday situations. However, the potential applications of research are often discussed only in general terms. Examining how research in areas such as memory and learning can be applied to everyday situations has the potential to lead to new insights that could ultimately solve many practical issues that exist in society today. This book examines four important areas of functioning: memory performance and how it might be improved; affective functioning with specific reference to anxiety and depression; perceptual functioning in relation to visual discomfort and colour perception; and children’s literacy learning and remediation of reading difficulties.

**Encyclopedia of Abnormal Psychology (2 Volume Set)**

*Aleksei Maksimov (Editor)*

In series: *Psychology Research Progress*

Case: 978-1-61470-245-0. $345.00.
This book presents current research in the field of abnormal psychology. Topics discussed include self-harm in adolescence and young adulthood; depression and a parenting intervention; a hermeneutic approach to culture and psychotherapy; psychotic symptoms in children and adolescents; treatment approaches to aggressive behavior in schizophrenia; fetal origins of antisocial personality disorder; neurobiology of borderline personality disorder; patterns of interpersonal behaviors and borderline personality characteristics; the psychology of body image and borderline personality and sexual impulsivity.

Encyclopedia of Cognitive Psychology (2 Volume Set)
Carla E. Wilhelm (Editor)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61324-546-0. $325.00.
This book presents current research in the field of cognitive psychology. Topics discussed include a new perspective on human consciousness; cognitive rehabilitation in middle-aged alzheimer patients; cognitive theory of obsessions; the cognitive effects of anxiety on sexual arousal; conceptual combination; TP theory as a new perspective on cognitive psychology; peripheral responses elicited by motor imagery and preverbal category formation.

Encyclopedia of Depression Research
James R. Fusco (Editor)
In series: Depression Causes, Diagnosis and Treatment
Case: 978-1-61324-447-0. $295.00.
This book presents and discusses current research in the study of depression. Topics discussed include depression in children and adolescents; depression comorbidity among children; depression vulnerability in middle and late adulthood; antidepressants therapy and risk of suicide among patients with major depressive disorders; the overlap between depression and suicidal behaviour; monitoring of antidepressant therapy by using heart rate variability and gender differences in response to antidepressants.

Exploring the Phenomenon of Suicide
Maurizio Pompili (Università di Roma, Bracciano - Roma, Italy)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-61324-924-6. $215.00.
This book discusses current research on the phenomenology of suicide, that is, to focus on suicide as a phenomenon affecting a unique individual with unique motives for the suicidal act. To explore this topic, the author looks at various contexts in order to understand in different perspectives. The search for suicide risk factors, variables that indicate an increased likelihood for suicide independent of diagnosis, has been undertaken by a number of researchers and clinicians. This book also explores psychiatric disorders and personality traits where a suicide risk is often underestimated. Moreover, the contribution by world leaders in the prevention of suicide makes this book a peculiar contribution to the understanding of suicide.

Facial Expressions: Dynamic Patterns, Impairments and Social Perceptions
Sandra E. Carter and Vaughan T. Bailey
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-62081-534-2. $120.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-593-9. $120.00.
The human face is a dynamic canvas upon which humans voluntarily and involuntarily display their most intimate feelings. Observers scrutinize the faces of others to make inferences about their emotions, intentions and thoughts. In this book, the authors explore the dynamic patterns, impairments and social perceptions of facial expressions. Topics include linking infant facial expressions of emotion to respective parental attention; facial expression during interpersonal interactions that are pro-social and criminally deviant; situational and perceiver characteristics that influence the processing and decoding of facial expressions of emotion; facial expression and eye gaze direction; image-based facial expression synthesis; and the analysis and recognition of facial expressions in videos using facial shape deformation.

Jason N. Franco and Alexander E. Svensgaard
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-62100-755-5. $215.00.
This book presents topical research in the study of the psychology of motivation. Topics discussed include motivation in the field of tourism; new perspectives in the psychology and economics of donating; commercial weight-loss programs and motivation; motivation for creativity in design and architecture; cognitive and motivational factors for reading; motivation to learn, self-regulation and academic achievement and the implicit theories of intelligence, effort beliefs, and achievement goals as antecedents of learning motivation and engagement.

Handbook on Psychology of Self-Esteem
Katerina Meszaros
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-62100-410-3. $325.00.
Self-esteem is a term used in psychology to reflect a person's overall evaluation or appraisal of his or her own worth. Self-esteem encompasses beliefs and emotions such as triumph, despair, pride and shame. Topics discussed in this handbook include negative intergroup discrimination and private collective self-esteem, learning about non-dogmatic thinking; associations of pride with bullying and helping in young people; the epidemiology of sex difference in self-esteem, individualism-collectivism; self-esteem and obesity; development of the ideal, ought and fantasy self; detecting acquiescence underlying Rosenberg's self esteem scale using the Rasch partial credit model; the extended informational model of self-esteem and self-esteem and attachment in individuals from intact vs. divorced families.

Human Development: Biology from a Holistic Point of View
Soren Ventegodt (Research Clinic for Holistic Medicine and Sexology, Copenhagen), Tyge Dahl
Investigating the Traumatogenetic Hypothesis of Borderline Functioning: A Research Report
Lon Schiltz (Fondation François-Elisabeth, Hôpital Kirchberg, Luxembourg)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61470-810-0. $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-839-1. $75.00.
This book presents current research results in clinical psychology, health psychology and psychiatry concerning the links between complex post-traumatic syndromes, dissociative states and borderline functioning. This research project, which spans over several years, consists of studies on the disruption of identity with excluded and marginalized persons by combining the clinical with the experimental approach. An exploratory comparative study is based on an intensive clinical investigation of people suffering from social precarity, belonging to different clinical subgroups: long-lasting unemployed people, homeless people, refugees and political asylum seekers and prisoners suffering from drug addiction. The authors used an integrated qualitative and quantitative methodology, combining semi-structured interviews with psychometric, projective and expressive tests.

Modeling of Parenting Style, Achievement Variables, and Learning Approaches – Hong Kong Chinese and Anglo-Australian Perspectives
Chi Hung Leung (Department of Psychological Studies, The Hong Kong Institute of Education, Hong Kong)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Case: 978-1-61942-308-4. $75.00.
This book investigates relationships between parenting practices and achievement variables for students from both Confucian Heritage Cultures and non-Confucian Heritage Cultures.

Our Search for Meaning in Life
Soren Ventegodt (Nordic School of Holistic Medicine, Interuniversity College, Copenhagen, DK), Joav Merrick (Ministry of Social Affairs, Jerusalem, Israel)
In series: Health and Human Development
Edited by: Joav Merrick (National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Ministry of Social Affairs, Jerusalem)
Case: 978-1-61470-441-6. $140.00.
How can we understand and explain human behavior? This is a basic question that is asked by students taking courses in psychology, medicine and health studies as well as colleagues in human services. Generally speaking, human behavior is understood in terms of three broad perspectives – biology, psychology and sociology. Under the biological perspective, human behavior is seen as a product of biological structures and mechanisms. Under the psychological perspective, human behavior is seen as a result of mental processes, which may or may not have biological bases. Finally, sociologists believe that external social structures and processes determine human behavior. External environmental factors such as poverty, income inequality and alienation contribute to substance abuse and will be addressed in this intriguing book on human development.

Persistent Delusional Disorders: Myths and Realities
Andreas Marneros (Department of Psychiatry, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany)
In series: Psychiatry - Theory, Applications and Treatments
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61470-917-6. $245.00.
This book covers the whole spectrum of delusional syndromes, which may be presented either as autonomous disorders or as symptoms of other major psychotic disorders. Some of them are rather common and can be seen by every clinician in various nations and cultures. Others are rare or culture-related with higher prevalence in some cultures and lower in some others. Exact clinical descriptions of the syndromes are accompanied by a detailed picture of their longitudinal course and prognosis. Numerous studies on and approaches to therapy are presented and practical recommendations are given. This book not only discusses the results of modern scientific work but also goes back to the roots and provides valuable information from the original historical literature from English as well as German and French speaking countries. It abandons some myths on this topic and illustrates the clinical reality of this fascinating group of psychiatric disorders.

Psychology of Life Satisfaction
Matt Vassar (Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences, Tulsa, OK)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-62081-307-2. $120.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-348-5. $120.00.
The positive psychology movement has been influential in the development of research agendas that focus on positive psychological constructs and their benefits. Of these, life satisfaction has been studied as an antecedent, mediating, and outcome variable in a wide array of studies ranging from medicine and health to psychology, management science, and economics. The purpose of this book is to present research from around the world related to a wide range of life satisfaction.
issues. The book is loosely structured around 3 themes: adolescent life satisfaction, older adult life satisfaction, and income-related satisfaction issues.

Psychology of Morality
Angelo S. Fruiili and Luisa D. Veneto
In series: Psychology Research Progress
In series: Ethical Issues in the 21st Century
Case: 978-1-62100-910-8, $95.00.
Based on general attribution principles, much research has focused on the processes involved in making morally relevant trait attributions. For example, it has long been thought that the process by which people make trait attributions is different in the moral domain than in other domains. However, more recent research demonstrates that the story is much more complex than that; there exist multiple attribution processes even in the moral domain. Topic discussed in this book include coping with offline prohibited actions in gamespace; moral thinking vs. moral action; worldview beliefs, morality beliefs and decision-making referents and rational choice, capabilities and morality of human well-being.

Psychology of Prejudice: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Contemporary Issues, The
Dale W. Russell (Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland) and Cristel Antonia Russell (American University, Washington DC)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-62081-606-6, $175.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-621-9, $175.00.
Is prejudice hard-wired or socially acquired? Is stigmatizing the Other inevitable? Do we purposefully draw on stereotypes to provoke prejudice from others? Can we confront and correct our biases? From the judicial system to the marketplace, from women’s intentional self-sexualization to prison exonerates’ stigma-by-association, this book offers a compelling and wide-ranging discussion and review of the latest scientific evidence of what prejudice is, how it emerges, what it does, and how the discrimination and stigma that ensue can be reduced.

Psychology of Priming
Nobuaki Hsu and Zacharias Schütt
In series: Perspectives on Cognitive Psychology
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-62100-364-9, $140.00.
Priming is the implicit memory effect in which exposure to a stimulus influences response to a later stimulus. It can occur following perceptual, semantic or conceptual stimulus repetition. In this book, the authors present topical research on the psychology of priming. Some of the topics discussed include empirical investigations on priming or word-stem completion; neural correlates of repetition priming; lexical and syntactic priming in language comprehension; exploring the contradictory results on the cross-modal priming effect in normal aging; facilitation of content-specific prior memory procedures; nonword stimuli and the effect of adult aging on episodic priming; rhyme priming effects in the auditory word recognition and priming in visual search.

Psychology of Satisfaction
Brian S. Nguyen
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-61470-688-5, $95.00.
This book presents topical research in the study of the psychology of satisfaction. Topics gathered from authors across the globe include male body image satisfaction and sociocultural theory; the contribution of personality to personal well-being; understanding what keeps couples happy and marital satisfaction; job precariousness, self-efficacy and life satisfaction and sport psychology skills training to enhance the life satisfaction of adolescent Mexican orphans.

Psychology of Self-Regulation
Vassilis Barkoukis (Thessaloniki, Greece)
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
2012. 201 pp.
Case: 978-1-61470-380-8, $140.00.
This book presents topical research in the study of the psychology of self-regulation with a focus on topics including adaptive metacognitive self-regulation and functional resilience-related assets during challenging tasks; self-regulation resources and their application to improved learning, social behavior and cognitive processes; self-regulation and substance abuse; the promotion of self-regulation through parenting interventions and self-control, self-regulation in juvenile delinquency.

Psychology of Victimization
Audrey N. Hutcherson
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-61470-505-5, $140.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-661-8, $140.00.
In this book, the authors present topical research in the study of the psychology of victimization. Topics discussed include the victims of cyberbullying and the similarities and differences with traditional bullying; discriminating true and false allegations of victimization; the effects of bullying victimization from childhood to young adulthood; the long term impact of victimization in cases of child sexual abuse and the link between victimization and voting preferences.

Psychology of War
Eduardo Manuel Alvarez and Arturo José Escober
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
Case: 978-1-61942-312-1, $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-317-6, $95.00.
This book presents current research in the psychology of war. Topics discussed in this compilation include psychosocial processes of a group of children in an experimental situation of political polarization and war; children’s psychological distress and needs in Northern Uganda’s conflict zone; antecedents and consequences of combat-decorated war heroism; disorganization of the collective envelopes of the child in the experience of war and the psychic construction of Jewish children hidden in France during the Holocaust.
PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH BIOGRAPHIES AND SUMMARIES

Nancy E. Wodarz and Alexis P. Ferguson
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61470-491-1. $325.00.

This new book compiles biographical sketches of top professionals in the field of psychology, as well as research summaries from a number of different focuses in this important field.

RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE OF PERSONS WITH MENTAL PROBLEMS: CONCEPTUAL INTERPRETATION AND INTERACTION

Kam-shing Yip (The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Kowloon, Hong Kong)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61470-557-4. $110.00.
Recovery has been the most important concept and ideology in working with clients with mental problems. In 2004, recovery was adopted by the United States Federal government as the guiding principles in mental health services and intervention. Resilience has also been an uprising concept in working with children, adolescents and families which are facing hardships, sufferings and traumas. Comparing these two crucial definitions, one may easily discover that recovery and resilience both focus on the individuals’ ability to actualize their potentials, to work through difficulties and hardships. Also, both concepts stress that individuals’ struggle and journal of healing can help them live with and cope with obstacles in the environment. Finally, this book examines how these two concepts emphasize that individuals can live fully according to their own views and life.

RELATIONSHIP PARADOX: THE SPIRITUAL QUEST FOR UNION AND FREEDOM

Kendell Thornton (Associate Professor of Psychology, Dowling College, Oakdale, NY, USA)
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61492-169-1. $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61492-258-2. $75.00.
This book is an exploration into the dynamics of interpersonal relationships, and how the spiritual quest for union is tempered by the human desire for freedom. Since being in an intimate relationship is not the cause of happiness, a major focus of this book is to help the readers understand the need to take responsibility for their own happiness. Only when people learn to understand their own happiness, regardless of being in a relationship, will they be able to cultivate a successful relationship because they want a relationship, and not because they think they need a relationship to be happy.

SUICIDE FROM A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE: VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND CONTROVERSY

Amresh Shrivastava, Megan Kimbrell, David Lester (The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Pomona, NJ)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Health Psychology Research Focus
2012. 190 pp.
Case: 978-1-61492-775-4. $140.00.
This is the fifth and final volume in a series of books examining the problem of suicide around the world and how suicide can be prevented. There are many groups of individuals that have been the focus of special interest. Part One of this volume presents current research and interventions for these groups, including those who have chronic medical illnesses, who are homeless and who are very young. Suicide in the workplace and in jails and prisons presents particular problems for mental health professionals, and the problems involved in preventing suicide in these situations are discussed. Part Two presents discussions of issues that have been of particular concern in recent years, such as whether antidepressants precipitate suicidal behavior in some people as well as preventing it in others and the complex issues involved in physician-assisted suicide.

VICTIMIZATION ANALYZED THROUGH THE VOICES OF A PREDATOR: EXPANSION OF A SINGLE CASE STUDY

Eric A. Kreuter (Yorktown Heights, NY)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61470-361-7. $140.00.
e-book: 978-1-61470-836-0. $140.00.
Victimization is defined as the ability to make one’s own decisions, irrespective of being in a relationship, will they be able to cultivate a successful relationship because they want a relationship, and not because they think they need a relationship to be happy.

WHY ARE YOU FREE? NEUROBIOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY OF VOLUNTARY ACTION KOTCHOUBEY

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In series: Psychology Research Progress
Case: 978-1-61492-534-7. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61492-548-4. $95.00.
Everybody has a strong intuition that our voluntary actions are free, but where does this freedom come from? Most “libertarians”, i.e., those who believe that our behavior is really free, argue from a philosophical, spiritual, social, or cultural background. The arguments do not look very convincing, because we know that we are not only social and spiritual beings, but also biological organisms steered by the brain. On the other hand, biologists and psychologists tend to deny the reality of freedom of our actions. They assert that these actions are causally determined by brain processes, and that the brain, for some unknown reason, creates an illusion of free will and voluntary intention. This book takes a completely different stance.
Young, Violent, and Dangerous to Know  
Michael Fitzgerald (Dept. of Psychiatry, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland)  
In series: Psychiatry - Theory, Applications and Treatments  
Case: 978-1-60876-952-0. $130.00.  
Soft: 978-1-62257-761-3. $69.00.  
While murder is a matter of serious concern to the community, serial killing is a matter of even greater concern. Serial killers have buffled the public and professionals for hundreds of years. This book attempts to increase our understanding of serial killers. Fitzgerald suggests that Autistic Psychopathy may underlie some of these serial killers. He suggests a new diagnostic Criminal Autistic Psychopathy, which he identifies as a subcategory of Asperger’s syndrome. This has had a far greater explanatory power than previously realised. Persons with callous, unemotional traits - often called empathy deficits - are very much associated with Autistic Psychopathy. This book offers insights of the dynamics associated with this pathological personality and how the individual’s criminality affects our society and its victims.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Infectious Diseases: U.S. Response  
Elizabeth M. Bradley  
In series: Public Health in the 21st Century  
Case: 978-1-61324-723-5. $95.00.  
This book examines The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria and the corresponding basic facts, U.S. contributions and issues for Congress. The Global Fund was established in January 2002 as a public-private partnership that could provide significant financial support for global response to these infectious diseases. At that time, health experts were particularly concerned about the rapid spread of HIV/AIDS around the world, the massive number of deaths that resulted from HIV infection, and limited access to treatments against the three diseases, particularly HIV/AIDS. The Global Fund was developed to be an innovative financing mechanism that would attract additional financial resources for the global fight against the three diseases in developing countries and was never intended to directly implement related programs.

Lessons of Chernobyl, The: 25 Years Later  
Elena B. Burlakova and Valeria I. Naydich (Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia)  
In series: Nuclear Materials and Disaster Research  
2012. 347 pp.  
Case: 978-1-61324-516-3. $165.00.  
It has been twenty-five years now since the accident occurred at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant. In the early days after the disaster, it was difficult to assume that its aftermath would make itself felt after a quarter of a century. Numerous studies in Ukraine, Belarus and Russia have shown that the morbidity of a number of diseases among the exposed population, liquidators and children residing in the contaminated areas has increased several times after the accident. Particular attention is drawn to health conditions of the children who were exposed to radiation and the children of liquidators who also demonstrate ill health. This book examines the need for further development of radiobiological and radioecological research, increase in the availability of methods, development of novel theoretical risk models and new approaches to investigating into the complex processes that occur at present and are expected in the future.

Public Health Yearbook 2010  
Joav Merrick (Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Services, Jerusalem, Israel)  
In series: Health and Human Development  
Edited by: Joav Merrick (National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Ministry of Social Affairs, Jerusalem)  
Case: 978-1-61209-971-2. $195.00.  
The 2010 Public Health Yearbook compiles articles published in the International Public Health Journal, a peer-reviewed journal which provides an international multidisciplinary forum with a holistic approach to public health issues, health and medicine, health and social policy, service aspects, developmental aspects, epidemiology, rehabilitation, family and social issues, quality of life and all other aspects of public health over the whole age spectrum.

Smoking: Health Effects, Psychological Aspects and Cessation  
Itsku Hayashi  
In series: Public Health in the 21st Century  
2012. 159 pp.  
Case: 978-1-61470-643-4. $95.00.  
This book presents current research in the study of the health effects, psychological aspects and cessation techniques of smoking. Topics discussed in this compilation include the vascular morphological changes related to smoking; the physiological consequences of smoking cessation benefits for the respiratory and cardiovascular systems; how weather might affect smoking related health behaviors; adolescent smoking and health research and predictors of smoking cessation in a population of pregnant smokers.

RELIGION

Handbook on Spirituality: Belief Systems, Societal Impact and Roles in Coping  
Cleveland A. Stark and Dylan C. Bonner  
In series: Religion and Spirituality  
2012. 343 pp.  
Case: 978-1-61942-475-3. $185.00.  
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of the belief systems, societal impact and roles in coping with relation to spirituality. Topics discussed include spirituality in the workplace and ethical mindsets; spiritually-based organizations; crises and the spiritual perspective; psychology's view of religion and spirituality; enhancing spirituality and positive well-being through nature; the role of spiritism in Brazilian medicine and society and integrating science and spirituality in prevention of substance abuse.

Psychology of Faith  
Carmela Sindam and Elen A. Maron  
In series: Religion and Spirituality  
In series: Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions  
2012. 139 pp.  
Case: 978-1-62100-872-9. $95.00.  
e-book: 978-1-62100-896-5. $95.00.  
This book presents topical research in the study of the psychology of faith. Topics discussed include the rationality of faith; the role of...
spirituality, coping and ethnicity in cardiac rehabilitation; the dionysian actor and the experiential engagement with faith; magical and religious practices of preventing natural disasters; religion and mental health and the psychological study of trauma, faith, and recovery.

Religion and Ethics
Gloria Simpson and Spencer Payne
In series: Religion and Spirituality
In series: Ethical Issues in the 21st Century
2013.
Case: 978-1-62257-813-9. $120.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-814-6. $120.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of women and religion, ethics, and the science of religion. Topics discussed include the influence of Christianity on society and ethical practice; female Shamanism in Peru; the everlasting conflict of evolution and science vs. religiosity; the ecological model in genetics and religion; religious affiliation among the Kassena-Nankana of Northern Ghana; and religion versus culture.

Religious Entanglements in a Secular World
Jarrett T. Baume
In series: Religion and Spirituality
2012. 188 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-679-4. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-730-2. $95.00.
The First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution prohibits the government from establishing a religion and guarantees the right to freely exercise their religion. The U.S. Supreme Court has clarified the scope of these broad guarantees. This book examines the law of Church and State with a focus its general principles and current interpretations; the application of religious law in U.S. courts; public display of the Ten Commandments and other religious symbols; religion and the workplace; military personnel and freedom of religion; health care providers' religious objections to medical treatment; religious exemptions for mandatory health care programs; legal issues associated with religious organizations that receive public funds; legal issues related to funding for religious schools and legal analysis of religious exemptions for photo identification requirements.

Spiritual Influence in the Georgian Cultural Heritage
Mamuka Matsaberidze (Georgian Technical University, Tbilisi, Georgia)
In series: Religion and Spirituality
2012. 120 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61324-576-7. $47.00.
One of the demonstrations of systemic world-view, the interaction between belief and knowledge, is the oldest problem the essence of which was discussed as far back as the first to second centuries. The proof of this is the work by Saint Clement of Alexandria, which is called “Stromata” or “Rugs” where he says that both knowledge and belief are indispensable for humans. This great scientist and philosopher said that the belief is primary and the knowledge is built on it. He wrote that that a merely religious person is God’s slave, while an educated religious man is God’s friend, and that the basis of this lies in the Gospel, when our Lord Jesus Christ addresses his Apostles and says: “Friends of mine, I do not call you slaves but friends, as you already know everything that I conveyed to you”. This book discusses the spiritual influence in Georgia and its history dating back to the earliest times of mankind.

RUSSIA

Economic and Political Issues of Russia
Tomáš Novotný and Lars Jorgensen (Editor)
In series: Russian Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61470-464-5. $140.00.
This book presents current developments in the study of economic and political issues of Russia. Topics discussed include foreign direct investments distribution in the Russian Federation; Russian energy policy toward neighboring countries; Russia’s economic performance, policies and their implications for the US; nonproliferation and threat reduction assistance; strategic arms control after START; the New START Treaty; the foreign policy concept of the Russian Federation and limit strategies cooperation and strategic competition between China, Russia and America in Central Asia.

Russia and Georgia: A Post-Conflict Assessment and Change in the Russian Airborne Forces
Nathaniel M. James and Noah E. Wilson
In series: Russian Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-354-6. $110.00.
In the early 1990s, Georgia and its breakaway South Ossetia region had agreed to a Russian-mediated ceasefire that provided for Russian “peacekeepers” to be stationed in the region. Moscow extended citizenship and passports to most ethnic Ossetians. Simmering long-time tensions escalated on the evening of August 7, 2008, when South Ossetia and Georgia accused each other of launching intense artillery barrages against each other. Georgia claims that South Ossetian forces did not respond to a ceasefire appeal but intensified their shelling, “forcing” Georgia to send in troops. This book provides a post-conflict assessment of the Russian-Georgian conflict of August 2008, with a focus on the implications for U.S. interests and the organizational change in the Russian airborne forces.

Russia: Developments and United States’ Interests
Gerald R. Watson and Jack O. Nguyen
In series: Russian Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62257-249-6. $135.00.
This book examines the current political, economic, security, and U.S. interest issues facing Russia today. Although Russia may not be as central to U.S. interests as was the Soviet Union, cooperation between the two is essential in many areas. Russia remains a nuclear superpower and still has a major impact on U.S. national security interests in Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. Russia has an important role in the future of arms control, the nonproliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the fight against terrorism. Russia is an important trading partner and is the only country in the world with a greater range and scope of natural resources than the United States, including vast oil and gas reserves. Many of Russia’s needs - food and food processing, oil and gas extraction technology, computers, communications, transportation, and investment capital - are in areas which the United States is highly competitive, although bilateral trade remains relatively low.
RUSSIAN STUDIES

Russia in Asia and the Arctic: Positioning, Posturing and Prospects
Jordon Pate and Danilo F. Conrad
In series: Russian Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61942-666-5. $215.00.
Russia continues to maintain a low profile in Northeast Asia (NEA), despite new efforts made by the Russian government to move the center of gravity of the country's economy eastward, towards its vast, uninhabited territory with huge potential resources. Additionally, Russia's proximity to the Arctic and its dependence on energy for economic growth and development have led Moscow to make aggressive claims on behalf of Arctic interests. This book examines Russia's prospects in Asia and the Arctic, with a focus also on Central Asian security trends.

Russia's Military Reforms, Defense Doctrines and Policies
Whiley Lockhardt and Kristen Spivey
In series: Russian Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Russia in Transition
Case: 978-1-61942-555-2. $185.00.
Russia has undertaken several largely piecemeal and halting efforts to revamp the armed forces it inherited from the Soviet Union. In 2007, near the end of then-President Vladimir Putin's second term in office, he appointed Anatoliy Serdyukov as defense minister as part of an effort to combat corruption in the military and carry out reforms. After the August 2008 Russia-Georgia conflict revealed large-scale Russian military operational failures, the leadership became more determined to boost military capabilities. U.S. government and congressional policymakers are following the progress and goals of these reforms as they consider issues related to U.S.-Russia relations and U.S. national security interests. This book provides information about Russia's military leadership and structure, the arms industry and effort to modernize weaponry, power projection efforts, and the military budget.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Afghanistan and Pakistan: Human Rights Reports
Clarence J. Peters and Marshall Hansen
In series: Human Rights: Background and Issues
In series: Global Political Studies
2012.
This book on human rights practices chronicles dramatic changes and the stories of the people defending human rights in the countries of Afghanistan and Pakistan; with a focus on providing lawmaker's decisions on foreign military and economic aid. Respect for human rights is not a western construct or a uniquely American ideal; it is the foundation for peace and stability everywhere. Universal human rights include the right of citizens to assemble peacefully and to seek to reform or change their governments, a central theme around the world.

Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Syria, Tunisia: Human Rights Reports
Seth Rollins and Kirk M. Branch
In series: Human Rights: Background and Issues
In series: Global Political Studies
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-408-7. $110.00.
This book on human rights practices chronicles dramatic changes and the stories of the people defending human rights in the countries of Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Syria and Tunisia; with a focus on providing lawmaker's decisions on foreign military and economic aid. Respect for human rights is not a western construct or a uniquely American ideal; it is the foundation for peace and stability everywhere. Universal human rights include the right of citizens to assemble peacefully and to seek to reform or change their governments, a central theme around the world.

Belarus, Russia, Ukraine: Human Rights Reports
Marcus J. Blevins and Helen Blanchard
In series: Human Rights: Background and Issues
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-410-0. $110.00.
This book on human rights practices chronicles dramatic changes and the stories of the people defending human rights in the countries of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine, with a focus on providing lawmaker's decisions on foreign military and economic aid. Respect for human rights is not a western construct or a uniquely American ideal; it is the foundation for peace and stability everywhere. Universal human rights include the right of citizens to assemble peacefully and to seek to reform or change their governments, a central theme around the world.

Divergence and Convergence in the Nation State:
The Roles in Religion and Migration
Akm Ahsan Ullah (Centre for Migration and Refugee Studies (CMRS), The American University in Cairo, New Cairo, Egypt)
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Case: 978-1-61324-464-7. $150.00.
This book encompasses a host of issues of human mobility that has been taking place since the time immemorial. Livelihoods one upon a time would lead humans to certain directions, and at some point of history colonialism gave a different shape of human mobility over the globe. Then after, economic consideration came to the fore as primary driver for such mobility. Global economy and global politics created over the last centuries competitions over land, over water, over oil, over influence, over dominance, and power. This book comprises broadly three areas of refugee studies: the drivers, their rights and humanitarianism; trafficking and response of different policies.

Iran and Iraq: Human Rights Reports
Kyle T. Hunt and Alfred Ferguson
In series: Human Rights: Background and Issues
In series: Global Political Studies
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-418-6. $110.00.
This book on human rights practices chronicles dramatic changes and the stories of the people defending human rights in the countries of Iran and Iraq; with a focus on providing lawmaker's decisions on
foreign military and economic aid. Respect for human rights is not a western construct or a uniquely American ideal; it is the foundation for peace and stability everywhere. Universal human rights include the right of citizens to assemble peacefully and to seek to reform or change their governments, a central theme around the world.

**SOCIAL SCIENCE**

Pedagogy of Power, Oppression and Empowerment: A Chinese Cultural Articulation
Kam-shing Yip (The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, China)
In series: Asian Political, Economic and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-61728-507-3. $195.00.
The postmodern articulation of power brought along a change from structural view to a genealogy of power by stressing the circular, capillary and exercise of power implementation. The over arching frame of power implies a different kind of oppression in postmodern world. People are oppressed and depowered by an internalization of a distorted view of right, truth and knowledge in which they unconsciously adapt a way of living and thinking that meet the needs and control of the governing bodies. This book addresses the ways in which power affects a particular culture, keeping its population in oppression.

**SOCIAL TOPICS**

Bullying: Analyses of State Laws and School Policies
Donna M. Rose and Vincent L. Pierce
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
2012.
Bullying in schools has become widely viewed as an urgent social, health, and educational concern that has moved to the forefront of public debate on school legislation and policy. Increasingly, elected officials and members of the school community have come to view bullying as an extremely serious and often neglected issue facing youths and local school systems. The focus on youth bullying has intensified over the past 12 years as a catalyzed reaction to school violence that is often linked explicitly or by inference to bullying. This book examines the need for more comprehensive information about bullying and the current status of state legislation, as well as how information on how existing laws and policies translate into practice within elementary and secondary school systems.

Defined Contribution Plans for Retirement: Fee Considerations and Country Comparisons
Bruce E. Patterson and Eugene J. Kennedy
In series: Retirement Issues, Plans and Lifestyles
In series: Financial Institutions and Services
Case: 978-1-62257-272-4. $110.00.
Over the past 25 years, defined contribution plans, including 401(k) plans, have become the most prevalent form of employer-sponsored retirement plan in the United States. The majority of assets held in these plans are invested in stocks and stock mutual funds, and the decline in the major stock market indices in 2008 greatly reduced the value of many families' retirement savings. The effect of stock market volatility on families' retirement savings is just one issue of concern to Congress with respect to defined contribution retirement plans. This book examines fee considerations and country comparisons relating to defined contribution plans for retirement with a focus on increasing access to employer-sponsored plans, raising participation and contribution rates, helping participants make better investment choices, requiring clearer disclosure of fees charged to plan participants, preserving retirement savings when workers face economic hardship or change jobs, and promoting life annuities as a source of retirement income.

Human Trafficking: Scope and Response Efforts
Harold J. Newton
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
Case: 978-1-62100-359-5. $95.00.
Trafficing in persons (TIP) for the purposes of exploitation is believed to be one of the most prolific areas of international criminal activity and is of significant concern to the United States and the international community. According to an estimate by the Department of State, roughly 800,000 people are trafficked across borders each year. If trafficking within countries is included in the total world figures, official U.S. estimates indicate that some 2 to 4 million people are trafficked annually. As many as 17,500 people are believed to be trafficked into the United States each year and some have estimated that 100,000 U.S. citizen (USC) children are victims of trafficking within the United States. This book presents U.S. trafficking policies and issues for Congress, along with a focus on human trafficking in the U.S. Latin America and the Caribbean.

Low-Income Assistance Programs
Xavier A. Kerr and Rod K. Phipps
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Laws and Programs
Soft: 978-1-62081-054-5. $47.00.
The high current and projected federal budget deficits, and debate over the size and scope of federal spending, have raised interest in how federal dollars are spent. This book focuses on federal outlays for major “need-tested” programs - programs targeted toward families and individuals with limited income. The major need-test programs discussed in this book provide cash, food, housing, and medical assistance to families and individuals with limited financial resources with collective FY2010 federal outlays of $602 billion. These programs represented 17.4% of all federal outlays and 4.2% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

Marriage: Psychological Implications, Social Expectations, and Role of Sexuality
Piero E. Esposito and Cristoforo I. Lombardi
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Family Issues in the 21st Century
Case: 978-1-62257-157-4. $120.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-194-9. $120.00.
In this book, the authors explore the psychological implications, social expectations and role of sexuality in marriage today. Topics presented from across the globe include the nature of the sexual relationship in
marriage and during transition to parenthood; gender attitudes in marriage and the division of unpaid family work; health concerns of transnational marriage of immigrant women in Taiwan; couple generativity in relation to familial and social bonds; the marriage and health association; and the social structures that influence marriage and divorce.

Minority Policies: Legal, Healthcare and Business Issues
Brandon K. March
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
Case: 978-1-61122-750-5. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-536-1. $95.00.
A minority is a sociological group that does not constitute a politically dominant voting majority of the total population of a given society. This book focuses on a variety of issues which threaten minorities in the United States, as well as the policies put in place by the government to ensure the protection of these people. Topics discussed herein include discrimination cases brought against the USDA; Indian Trust Fund Litigation; federal taxation of Indian tribes and members; disadvantaged small businesses; and others.

Sociology Research Summaries
Alias T. Landry and Emmett F. Duran
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
Case: 978-1-62257-640-1. $150.00.
This book is a continuation of the book Sociology Researcher Biographical Sketches and Research Summaries which compiles biographical sketches of top professionals in the field of sociology research, as well as research summaries from a number of different focuses in this important field.

**SOCIETY**

Accidents: Risk Factors, Health Outcomes and Safety Measure
Carlo Giacomo Prato (Department of Transport, Technical University of Denmark, Lyngby, Denmark)
In series: Safety and Risk in Society
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-010-2. $150.00.
This book emerges from the interest in enriching the body of knowledge about accident characteristics, examining health outcomes and proposing measures to overcome societal and economic consequences of accidents. Contributions from different disciplines compose a collection that provides answers to prominent questions from various perspectives. The three parts of the book offer a comprehensive overview of the new state-of-the-practice knowledge about accident characteristics, risk factors, consequences and safety interventions. Combining knowledge from both road and occupational safety, and extending through various disciplines such as engineering, economics, medicine, and statistics, this collection stimulates readers in looking for enhanced solutions to safety problems that are a major threat to human life and cost millions to our society.

Advances in Sociology Research. Volume 12
Jared A. Jaworski (Editor)
In series: Advances in Sociology Research
Case: 978-1-61470-746-2. $140.00.
This continuing series presents original leading edge research results in the field of sociology. Each chapter has been carefully selected in an attempt to present substantial advances across a broad spectrum. Included in this compilation are topics such as recommendations to help the advancement of scientific research in the Sudanese society; the social work education curriculum’s international focus; legal and ethical challenges of corporate social networking; social status and the disclosure of traumatic life events; societal conditions of child care in 19th century France and the U.S.; the societal effects of uneven economic growth and violence in modern-day Brazil and social work education in Ghana.

Advances in Sociology Research. Volume 13
Jared A. Jaworski
In series: Advances in Sociology Research
2012. 192 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-423-4. $150.00.
This continuing series presents original leading edge research results in the field of sociology. Each chapter has been carefully selected in an attempt to present substantial advances across a broad spectrum. Included in this compilation are topics such as Italy and the aging society; child malnutrition and mortality; social responsibility in the media; urban planning and transport policies for greater social cohesion and individual social capital.

Baudrillard and Postmodernism
Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK)
In series: Social Perspectives in the 21st Century
Edited by: Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-541-1. $52.00.
This innovative book locates the historical emergence of postmodernism and what it is a reaction against. One of the key theorists of postmodernism, is Jean Baudrillard. He has had an enormous impact on contemporary social theory and social philosophy. This text locates his key concepts, locates empirical examples and importantly maps out the key influences of Baudrillard’s work. There is critical engagement with Baudrillard’s postmodernism in an assessment of its strengths and weaknesses.

Building Community Capacity: Minority and Immigrant Populations
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In series: Health and Human Development
Edited by: Joav Merrick (National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, Ministry of Social Affairs, Jerusalem)
For all of our advances in health care and achievements in public health that have contributed to an increased life expectancy, there still remain persistent problems in one’s community that are public health in origin. These persistent public health problems are well-studied from an academic standpoint, yet they evade a solution that is practical, economical, and socially just. These are complex, community-based, public health problems that disproportionately impact minority and immigrant populations. This book explores this topic in greater detail. Specifically, what have we, as public health academicians and practitioners learned when partnering with minority and immigrant community members to help them address persistent public health issues that affect them and their families on a daily basis? These are lessons that need to be shared so disadvantaged populations can build their capacity to address and solve persistent public health problems in their communities.

Contemporary Social Theory: Key Themes and Analysis

John W. Murphy (Department of Sociology, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
Case: 978-1-61942-255-1. $75.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-256-8. $75.00.
The aim of this book is to provide a coherent picture of contemporary social theory. The hope is that an uncluttered and more unified discussion of key themes will improve the ability of students to master this topic. This book is not organized around persons or schools of thought. Likewise, the attempt is made to avoid “insider” debates and the jargon that has become the hallmark of this stage of theory development. Key themes are thus identified and reviewed in a straightforward manner, while trying to unpack the relevant philosophical themes in an accessible way.

Cults, Violence and Sex: The Social Construction of Deviance in Post-Modern Israel

Gabriel Cavaglion and Efrat Shoham (Ashkelon Academic College, Israel)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
2012. 177 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-876-8. $75.00.
Sociological objectivism argues that what defines social deviance is the existence of areal, concrete, damaging or threatening state of affairs. In other words, what turns a state of affairs into a problem is that it actually harms or endangers human life and well-being. Politicians, educators, social workers, law enforcement agents and mental health specialists may claim that an increase in cases of crime, for example, reflects a genuine rise in the behavior itself. Sharper rises in such rates can naturally lead to stronger societal reactions. Functionalists who adhere to this view, as exemplified by Talcott Parsons and others, considered that customs and institutions that persist over time tend to be those that are good for society because they prohibit harmful activities and encourage beneficial ones that maximize societal preservation. This book explores the dynamics of this social and complex problem.

Encyclopedia of Sociology Research (3 Volume Set)

Miranda O. Parker and Alexander D. Petrov (Editor)
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
This new book presents current research and findings in the study of sociology. Topics discussed include social capital, entrepreneurial capital and economic growth; disruption of social development in children with autism spectrum disorders; children’s social interactions in cultural context; everyday theorizing and the construction of knowledge; participation, pedagogy and practice in design education; community participation in formulating sustainable forest policy; increasing the economic sustainability of online communities and a comparison between theoretical and naive definitions of community.

Filling the Credibility Gap

Algis Mickunas (Ohio University, Department of Philosophy, Athens, OH), John Murphy (University of Miami, Department of Sociology, Miami, FL)
In series: Contemporary Cultural Studies
Edited by: Joseph J. Pilotta (The Ohio State University), John Murphy (University of Miami, Florida), Algis Mickunas (Ohio University)
Case: 978-1-61942-990-1. $75.00.
The front page of The Economist, November 5th-11th 2001 announces “The Missing Middle; The woeful gap in America’s Politics, is one among many indications of a major issue, not only in the United States, but globally. This book constitutes an attempt to offer alternatives that could fill this gap. The credibility gap appears in various guises: politically there is no serious public debate concerning global and national issues. Attempts at filling the gap of credibility are equally “magical” in the sense that the rhetoric used offers “prayers” to reestablish the middle class, provide jobs and correct the economy. Indeed, the use of such rhetoric is deemed above the constitution, and the latter should become subservient to a higher authority.

Foucault: Issues and Legacy

Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK)
In series: Social Perspectives in the 21st Century
Edited by: Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-539-8. $52.00.
This book explores the biography, issues and legacy of French social theorist and philosopher Michel Foucault. Arguably, Foucault was the greatest scholar of the 20th century and has left a huge legacy. The issues that emanate from his work will be discussed and evaluated especially in relation to applied social science as a discipline of study as well as empirical examples from contemporary social research. In particular, the book explores examples drawing from helping professions to illuminate the legacy of Michel Foucault and his influential concepts and theories.

Habermas

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2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-542-8. $52.00.
This book explores the work of German philosopher and social theorist Jurgen Habermas. It provides a context for the emergence of his critical theory and key influences. The text explores Habermas's key aspirations of the enlightenment project and the possibilities for emancipatory practice. Whilst there are several important strategies Habermas claims we should adhere to such as a reconstruction of the lifeworld through communicative action, there are several implications that need to be engaged with.

**Hispanics at Work: A Collection of Research, Theory and Application**

*Donna Maria Blanco* (Bentley University, Waltham, MA) Robert G. DelCamp (University of New Mexico, NM)

In series: *Professions - Training, Education and Demographics*


Case: 978-1-62100-428-8. $165.00.


This book contains a unique set of pieces which examine the plight of Hispanics in today’s workforce. A diverse set of scholars share their perspectives and insight on extant research to create the definitive collection of readings on Hispanic Workforce issues. This volume covers issues as diverse as occupations and their propensity toward and interaction with racioethnicty, to specific challenges of the Hispanic Workforce such as work-family balance and the impact of machismo.

**Intensive Cognitive Behavior Therapy for Eating Disorders**

*Riccardo Dalle Grave* (Villa Garda Hospital (Vr) Italy)

In series: *Eating Disorders in the 21st Century*

In series: *Psychology Research Progress*


Case: 978-1-61942-034-2. $165.00.


The book describes a novel model of intensive treatment for eating disorders, one that is entirely cognitive behavioural in orientation. In this book the treatment program will be described in detail, and with numerous clinical vignettes. The book explains how to adapt the CBT-E for an intensive “real world” settings (intensive outpatient therapy, inpatient treatment) and for severe eating disorder patients. It also explains how a multidisciplinary team can apply a single psychotherapeutic treatment. Readers will gain knowledge on the use of a “manualized” treatment in a real world intensive setting. The book is suitable for all professionals working with eating disorders (e.g. psychologists, psychiatrists, physicians, dietitians, and educators), and particularly for those working in a multidisciplinary team at an intensive level of care.

**Minority Groups: Coercion, Discrimination, Exclusion, Deviance and the Quest for Equality**

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In series: *Focus on Civilizations and Cultures*


Case: 978-1-62100-844-6. $165.00.


Society consists of numerous interconnected, interacting, and interdependent groups, which invariably differ in both power and status. Inequality and conflict between social groups entails economic as well as sociological and political factors. The tensions that arise between these groups are the root of society’s most difficult problems—sometimes, the root of its disintegration. Ethnic and minority conflict is an inherent part of social life. The study of specific ethnic and minority groups reflects the fact that people live in very powerful competitive modern or traditional societies; also, that group conflict and inequality is generally the social norm rather than the exception.

**National Survey of Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence**

*Federico E. Diaz and Scott J. Hayes*

In series: *Family Issues in the 21st Century*


Case: 978-1-61942-987-1. $95.00.


Sexual violence, stalking, and intimate partner violence are major public health problems in the United States. This book presents reports of intimate partner and sexual violence as well as a toolkit and fact sheet for future prevention.

**Organizational Culture and Identity: Sport, Symbols and Success**

*Aaron C.T. Smith* (Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Melbourne, Australia), Bob K. Stewart (Victoria University, Melbourne, Australia), Gervase A. Haines (Curtin University, Australia)

In series: *Focus on Civilizations and Cultures*

In series: *Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology*


Case: 978-1-62100-170-6. $140.00.


This book is for readers who want to destroy the tyranny of tradition that keeps organizations in the managerial dark-ages, and transform clubs, associations, agencies and businesses into something of greater value. It reveals how to create cultures delivering strong attachments and high performance. However, our task is not as simple as it appears, since culture and its mirror image identity, present slippery concepts. Securing an early agreement on exactly what constitutes culture, and how it works, remains essential before we proceed any further. In short, organizational culture and identity comprise the shared values, beliefs and assumptions that influence the attitudes, habits, customs and behavior of an organization’s members.

**Preserving National Unity: Culturometric Rapid Appraisals of Ethnic Inequalities**

*Beatrice Boufoy-Bastick, Tony Bastick (University of the West Indies, Department of Liberal Studies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago)*

In series: *Social Issues, Justice and Status*

In series: *Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment*

2012. 87 pp.

Soft: 978-1-61942-410-4. $47.00.


Modern developing multi-cultural countries claim their status as progressive democracies by promulgating policies of civic cohesion engendering ethnic equity within a national unity. However, what is promulgated through government mission statements, public speeches and the sentiments of national anthems might not successfully align with realities of citizen concern. This book introduces a Culturometric application for evaluating these claims to progressive democracy within multi-cultural developing countries.
Psychology of Culture
*Graham R. Hayes and Michael H. Bryant*
In series: *Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions*
2012. 201 pp.
Case: 978-1-61324-842-3. $95.00.
Social inequality refers to a situation in which individuals in a society do not have equal social status. Areas of potential social inequality include voting rights, freedom of speech and assembly, the extent of property rights and access to education, health care, quality housing and other social goods. This book presents current research from across the globe in the study of social inequality, including social inequalities in health and their international variations; social stratification by sex, age and social class in Chinese society; the impact of social risk factors on pregnancy, childbirth and the postpartum period; the predictive validity of modern racism and socio-economic conditions and health in Europe.

Socialization: Theories, Processes and Impact
*Ethan L. Anderson and Sophia Thomas*
In series: *Social Issues, Justice and Status*
Case: 978-1-62081-877-0. $150.00.
Socialization is known to be a process through which an individual forms a relationship to other individuals, commonly of the same species. The process of socialization is characteristic of different mammal communities including human society. In this book, the authors discuss the theories, processes and impact of socialization. Topics include the early experience of tactile stimulation and its behavioral consequences related to socialization in mammals; classroom processes of gender socialization in four Chinese kindergartens; parenting and family socialization within a cultural context; socialization and the self-identity differentiation model; social psychology of action and social change; ethnic-racial socialization and its implications for ethnic minority children; gender organizational socialization processes; and socialization processes that contribute to body image problems.

Society Progress Evolution: Sustainability & Consciousness
*R.C. Michelini (University of Genova, Italy)*
In series: *Focus on Civilizations and Cultures*
Case: 978-1-62100-525-4. $215.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-664-0. $215.00.
The exposed subject matter describes human civilization as an artificial accomplishment, purposely induced by man and altering the wild earth surroundings by invented value-added transformations in order to obtain a better quality of life. This book describes the “progress” to the human relational intelligence, namely, the weird event creating the “mind” and organizing the intangible world of knowledge, models and theories. This peculiarity encourages a hypothesis on a picky “anthropic principle” with weak or strong reading, supplying factual raison d’être to the human society progress through the discovery of the suited “culture” and “ethics” by-products.

Sociology of Care, The: Exploring Theory, Policy and Practice – The Case of Aging
*Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK)*
In series: *Social Perspectives of Aging*
Edited by: *Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)*
This book explores the contested concept and theorization of care and its relationship to aging. The book analyses the different and complex ways care has been colonised by bio-medical sciences, social policies, and how professional experts have managed it. It also explores the issue of bio-ethics and care and how ethics plays a key role in how individuals may be given access to care or denied due to ethical considerations. The analysis moves to a social account of care in highlighting how recent social policy positions how movements to personalised care can be managed by individuals which raises questions about the nature of power in contemporary society.

Sociology Researcher Biographical Sketches and Research Summaries

Alias T. Landry and Emmett F. Duran
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Social Issues, Justice, Equality and Empowerment
Case: 978-1-61942-390-9. $140.00.
This new book compiles biographical sketches of top professionals in the field of sociology, as well as research summaries from a number of different focuses in this important field.

Understanding the Voluntary Sector: Critical Success Factors - A Case Study

Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK)
In series: Social Perspectives of Aging
Edited by: Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)
Soft: 978-1-62100-499-8. $47.00.
One of the key issues in recent times in England is the inter-relationship between voluntary organizations and sustainability. It is very tempting to view voluntary agencies rather like very fragile black boxes adrift on a turbulent sea and at the mercy of powerful social, economic and political pressures. The direction of their journey and their very survival is determined by critical success factors. Although the spate of studies have undoubtedly advanced the state of knowledge about voluntary organizations, very little is known about the internal composition and operation of the black boxes and even less about the way in which internal factors interact within the external world. This book examines the factors that impinge upon opening and understanding the black box such as governance and quality, leadership, workforce, performance, partnerships and finance and funding.

Urban Development: Strategies, Management and Impact

Michael J. Williams and Jesse J. Anderson
In series: Urban Development and Infrastructure
In series: Environmental Remediation Technologies, Regulations and Safety
Case: 978-1-62081-114-6. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-129-0. $95.00.
In this book, the authors present current research in the study of the strategies, management and impacts of urban development. Topics included in this compilation include public housing strategies in Ogun State, Nigeria; the major sport events strategy environment in Shanghai, China; strategic environmental assessment of two urban plans in Italy and the United Kingdom; assessing the growth pole phenomenon in Venezuela; geoprocessing technologies in the evaluation of sustainable urban development in Parnamirim, Brazil; and the globalization and urban development of Harlem in New York City, USA.

Veterans and Homelessness: Prevalence and Prevention

Howard Connel and Fred Sher
In series: Social Issues, Justice and Status
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
Case: 978-1-61942-262-9. $95.00.
The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have brought renewed attention to the needs of veterans, including the needs of homeless veterans. Preventing and ending homelessness among Veterans in five years is a key priority for the White House as well as the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness and its member agencies. This book addresses this need in showcasing novel analyses that use data currently available from administrative records to provide detailed information about the prevalence of Veterans within the homeless population; the prevalence of homelessness among Veterans; and the differential risks for homelessness among Veteran, age, race, poverty, and sex subgroups.

SPORTS

Athletic Insight's Writings in Sport Psychology

Robert Schinke (Laurentian University, Canada)
In series: Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology
In series: Psychology Research Progress
e-book: 978-1-62081-286-0. $195.00.
This book provides a forum for discussion of topics that are relevant to the field of sport psychology. The subjects covered will include theory, research, and practice of sport psychology, as well as social issues related to the field of athletics. Topics discussed include a primer on the development of SEP in North American vs. Europe; comparing the effects of different self-instructions on thought and content and tennis performance; technical fouls predict performance outcomes in the NBA; sports-related pain; moderators of the links between shyness and gold performance; and the athlete life quality scale.

Current Issues and Controversies in School and Community Health, Sport and Physical Education

Jennifer A. O'Dea (University of Sydney, Australia)
In series: Education in a Competitive and Globalizing World
In series: Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology
Case: 978-1-62100-327-4. $195.00.
This book provides unique and contemporary insights into the major current issues and controversies in school and community health education, physical education and sports, as well as issues in teacher education of these issues. The distinctive focus of this new volume is to describe current issues and controversies using international perspectives and subsequently be able to create practical strategies for
health and sports promotion activities in schools, communities and teacher education. Authors have been drawn together from the USA, Canada, the United Kingdom, Israel, New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Portugal, the Netherlands, Sweden and Germany.

Mental Practice in Sport: Twenty Case Studies
Boris Blumenstein and Iris Orbach (Wingate Institute, Netanya, Israel)
In series: Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology
Soft: 978-1-62100-324-3. $47.00.
This book is comprised of seven chapters which center upon psychological skills training (PST) for various sports and athletes. The authors’ past experience in working with sportmen and sportswomen emphasizes the importance of psychological support for athletic performance enhancement and brings together a summary of their theoretical and practical knowledge on this subject. This book consists of twenty case studies which greatly facilitate the translation of psychological theory into everyday practice.

Perspectives on Anabolic Androgenic Steroids (AAS) and Doping in Sport and Health
Fergal Grace and Julien S. Baker (Health and Exercise Science, School of Science, University of the West of Scotland, Hamilton, Lanarkshire, Scotland)
In series: Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology
In series: Substance Abuse Assessment, Interventions and Treatment
Case: 978-1-62081-243-3. $85.00.
Anabolic androgenic steroids (AAS) remain the most used/abused drugs in the athlete and recreational gym user. However, there are some new drugs such as human growth hormone and insulin that are being used by athletes in order to gain a competitive advantage. This book presents separate and multi-disciplinary perspectives of anabolic androgenic steroids and other current drugs of use in sport. The perspectives discussed in this book range from those of sports medicine research scientists, a medical practitioner and sport physician, behavioral scientists and molecular physiologists. There are further contributions from experts in the sociology and ethics of sports doping.

Psychological skills in sport: Training and application
Boris Blumenstein and Iris Orbach (Ribstein Center for Sport Medicine Sciences & Research, Wingate Institute Netanya, Israel)
In series: Psychology Research Progress
In series: Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology
2012. 71 pp.
Soft: 978-1-62081-640-0. $52.00.
This book is a practical manual rather than theoretical. The main goal of this book is to provide professional tools for improving psychological preparation in sport, using real-life examples. Topics discussed include describing different elements of athletic training programs, as well as various preparations via periodization concept. Psychological preparation is discussed in terms of its role as an integral part of the sport training program. Moreover, approaches for improving psychological preparation are being analyzed. Based on scientific research and personal experience from five summer Olympic Games, authors have presented recommendations for sport psychology consultants, coaches, and athletes.

The Champion in You: Lessons from Professional Boxing about How to Succeed in Life and Work
Robert J. Schinke (Canada Research Chair Multicultural Sport and Physical Activity, School of Human Kinetics, Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario)
In series: Professions - Training, Education and Demographics
2012. 146 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-612-7. $85.00.
From this book, the reader, much like the world championship boxer, will exceed their potential and become a performer to contend with. The skills you gain from this book will formalize you as a championship performer with a systematic approach for battle preparation and delivery. Each chapter is authored as a condensed installment with summary points. This book is written for professionals striving to perform in the workplace. The metaphors and lessons borrowed from the elite boxing world are provided to the reader in an easily accessible series of steps.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Drug Abuse in Sport: Doping
Mehrdad Hamidi, Mohammad-Ali Shahbazi and Hajar Ashrafi (Zanjan University of Medical Sciences, Zanjan, Iran)
In series: Sports and Athletics Preparation, Performance, and Psychology
In series: Substance Abuse Assessment, Interventions and Treatment
Case: 978-1-61324-574-3. $140.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-114-0. $140.00.
The first documented history of doping routes backs to when a professor of medicine decided to determine the effect of cocaine in American coca leaves on performance by hiking his students in the mountains. The results of this work showed that cocaine can decrease fatigue in athletes as well as in the general population. The ancient Greeks excessively believed in using some kinds of psychoactive mushrooms or fortifying drinks to enhance their performance. Although these substances showed beneficial effects, it is likely that they had adverse effects. This book reviews the history and current status of this troubling affliction in the athletic arena.

New Developments in Drug Abuse, Trade and Policies
Gustavo L. Suarez
In series: Alcohol and Drug Abuse
In series: Drug Transit and Distribution, Interception and Control
Case: 978-1-61470-322-8. $95.00.
This book presents current research in the study of drug abuse, drug trade and various policies surrounding these issues. Topics discussed include NIDA informational facts regarding steroids; anabolic steroid use and federal efforts to prevent and reduce the use of steroids among teenagers; international drug control policy; illicit drug trafficking and U.S. counterdrug programs in Latin America and the Caribbean; illegal drug trade in Africa and the background, effectiveness and policy issues for Congress regarding drug courts.

SUPERCONDUCTIVITY

Proliferation Security Measures
Rodrick D. Cooke and Efren M. Velazquez
In series: Nuclear Materials and Disaster Research
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
2012. 149 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-014-9. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-026-2. $95.00.
Weapons of mass destruction (WMD), especially in the hands of radical states and terrorists, represent a major threat to U.S. national security interests. Multilateral regimes were established to restrict trade in nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons and missile technologies, and to monitor their civil applications. Congress may consider the efficacy of these regimes in considering the potential renewal of the Export Administration Act, as well as other proliferation-specific legislation in the 111th Congress. This book provides background and current status information on nuclear nonproliferation regimes which encompass several treaties, extensive multilateral and bilateral diplomatic agreements, multinational organizations and domestic agencies, and the domestic laws of participating countries.

TERRORISM

Al Qaeda: Perspective and a Path to Delegitimization
Stanley Burton and Dean L. Lynch
In series: Terrorism, Hot Spots and Conflict-Related Issues
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-606-7. $52.00.
Al Qaeda has evolved into a significantly different terrorist organization than the one that perpetrated the September 11, 2001, attacks. At the time, Al Qaeda was composed mostly of a core cadre of veterans of the Afghan insurgency against the Soviet Union, with a centralized leadership structure made up mostly of Egyptians. Most of the organization’s plots either emanated from the top or were approved by the leadership. Some would argue that the Al Qaeda of that period no longer exists. Out of necessity, due to pressure from the security community, in the ensuing years it has transformed into a diffuse global network and philosophical movement composed of dispersed nodes with varying degrees of independence. Understanding the origins of Al Qaeda, its goals, current activities, and prospective future pursuits is key to developing sound U.S. strategies, policies, and programs. The focus of this book is on the history of Al Qaeda, known (or attributed) actions and suspected capabilities of the organization and non-aligned entities, and an analysis of select regional Al Qaeda affiliates.

Domestic Terrorism
Anna Hudson and Edwin Davidson
In series: Terrorism, Hot Spots and Conflict-Related Issues
In series: Law, Crime and Law Enforcement
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-430-8. $195.00.
The emphasis of counterterrorism policy in the United States since Al Qaeda’s attacks of September 11, 2001 (9/11) has been on jihadist terrorism. However, in the last decade, domestic terrorists, people who commit crimes within the homeland and draw inspiration from U.S.-based extremist ideologies and movements, have killed American citizens and damaged property across the country. In this respect, domestic terrorists are a widely divergent lot, drawing from a broad array of philosophies and worldviews. These individuals can be motivated to commit crimes in the name of ideas such as animal rights, white supremacy, and opposition to abortion. The expression of these worldviews, as opposed to violence in support of them, involves constitutionally protected activities. This book provides background regarding domestic terrorists, detailing what constitutes the domestic terrorism threat as suggested by publicly available U.S. government sources and potential issues for Congress.

TOURISM

More than Simply Corporate Social Responsibility: Implications of CSR for Tourism Development and Poverty Reduced in Less Developed Countries: A Political Economy Perspective
Christina Koutra (Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) and Bournemouth University, UK)
In series: Hospitality, Tourism and Marketing Studies
In series: Hunger and Poverty: Causes, Impacts and Eradication
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-543-5. $175.00.
Freedom of poverty is a universal human prerogative and right. Hence the tackling of poverty in developing countries is a social obligation for governments, MNCs and MNOs at a national, intergovernmental and supra-national level especially with its institutionalisation within the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Tourism was a sector that was actively promoted by the above mentioned institutions in order to act as a catalyst for development and poverty reduction. Nevertheless in the course of times tourism did not deliver the expected result: poverty reduction. Hence this book embarks on exploring, by adopting a participatory approach to research, the extent to which the various “controlling interests”, external (development agencies) and internal (government institutions), dictate and influence tourism development in the ex-colonial geographical areas under investigation and their relationships with various community constituents - mainly those in the local communities at the grassroots level.
New Trends Towards Mediterranean Tourism Sustainability
Luis Miguel Rosalino, Alexandra Silva, António Abreu (Laboratório de Ecologia, Turismo e Sustentabilidade, ISLA-Lisboa - Instituto Superior de Línguas e Administração, Lisboa, Portugal)

Case: 978-1-62257-627-2. $110.00.

This book explores the relation between tourism and development and covers an array of diverse issues in a contemporary economic, sociocultural and political context. The book offers a critical debate regarding the existing understanding of a global tourism system and warns against generalizations about the impact of tourism on the global economy. It provides overall insights into the trends affecting tourism development including where we are headed, what are the new tourism markets, and what new tourist types are appearing. Also discussed are new ventures in tourism development and how climatology and climate change relate to tourism, how web based geographic information services (WebGIS) are changing tourism and what kind of new growth opportunities space tourism will bring. This book is intended to give the reader some insights into new paradigms, new issues, and old problems that are affecting our understanding of the global tourism system, the quality of life for host communities and the experiential nature of tourism.

Research Studies on Tourism and Environment
Jose Mondejar-Jimenez, Guido Ferrari, Manuel Vargas-Vargas (University of Castilla-La Mancha, Spain)

In series: Tourism and Hospitality Development and Management
Investigative and Methodological Approaches to the Environmental Impact of Tourism
Case: 978-1-61209-946-0. $165.00.

The potential of environmental resources as tourist resources and the impact of tourism on these resources are an open research area and, because of its social and economic impact, arouse great interest among the social stakeholders. It is necessary to understand and measure their mutual influence in order to achieve positive mutual links between tourism and the environment. This new book addresses the interaction between tourism and the environment through several disciplines, a multidisciplinary perspective, and different theoretical and methodological approaches. In addition, this book presents a wide range of current research and promotes debate and analysis on this research.

Aviation Safety: Emerging Topics in USO
Gerrard J. Browning and Dawn M. Fulkner

In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit
2012. 147 pp.
Case: 978-1-61942-598-9. $95.00.

takeoffs, landings, and movement around the surface areas of airports (the terminal area) are critical to the safe and efficient movement of air traffic. The nation's aviation system is arguably the safest in the world, but close calls involving aircraft or other vehicles at or near airports are common, occurring almost daily. This book examines the recent actions the FAA has taken to improve safety in the terminal area including enhanced oversight and improved availability of risk-based data which could further improve safety.

Congestion Pricing: A Primer On Efficient Roadway Management
Alexander Davis and Geoffrey M. Long

In series: Transportation Issues, Policies and R&D
2012. 190 pp.
Case: 978-1-62081-480-2. $110.00.

States and local jurisdictions are increasingly discussing congestion pricing as a strategy for improving transportation system performance. This book provides an overview on congestion pricing; non-toll pricing; technologies that enable congestion pricing; technologies that complement congestion pricing; transit and congestion pricing; and income-based equity impacts of congestion pricing.
Emergency Relief Programs for U.S. Highways and Roads: Elements and Consideration
**Cody O. Harrison and Ted J. Gibson**

In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit

Case: 978-1-61942-585-4. $185.00.

In recent years, many states have experienced natural disasters, such as hurricanes, floods, and storms, which have caused catastrophic damage to transportation infrastructure and overwhelmed the capacity of state and local governments to respond and recover. Reconstruction after these events can cost taxpayers billions of dollars. As part of the continuing federal role in responding to and recovering from natural disasters and similar events, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), within the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), administers the Emergency Relief Program which provides funding to repair or reconstruct federal-aid highways and roads on federal lands damaged or destroyed by natural disasters and other catastrophic events. This book provides an overview of emergency relief programs for U.S. highways and roads with a focus on strengthening oversight of project eligibility decisions.

Federal Programs and Policies for Highways: Select Aspects and Roles
**Evan D. Campbell and Edward Sanchez**

In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit

In series: Transportation Issues, Policies and R&D


This book examines select aspects and the role of federal programs and policies for highway infrastructure. Issues discussed include the federal excise tax on gasoline and the Highway Trust Fund; the role of the Environmental Review Process in federally funded highway projects; the emergency relief program and federal-aid highway assistance for disaster-damaged roads and bridges; tolling of interstate highways; broadband telecommunications as vital for improving state and local systems for traffic management and public safety; revised federal standards for traffic signs; and a legislative history of federal aid to roads and highways since the 18th century.

Freight Transportation Policy: Cost and Mobility Considerations
**Leland McIntyre and Forrest Donaldson**

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Road, rail, and waterway freight transportation is vital to the nation’s economy. Government tax, regulatory, and infrastructure investment policies can affect the costs that shippers pass on to their customers. If government policy gives one mode a cost advantage over another, by, for example, not recouping all the costs of that mode’s use of infrastructure, then shipping prices and customers’ use of freight modes can be distorted, reducing the overall efficiency of the nation’s economy. This book provides an overview of how government policies can affect competition and efficiency within the surface freight transportation sector.

Highway Funding: Alternatives and the Highway Trust Fund
**Clint Peck and Tomas Battle**

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The federal government collects revenues from taxes paid by highway users, mostly from those levied on gasoline and diesel fuel, and credits them to the Highway Trust Fund. Those revenues and others are subsequently used for federal spending on highways and transit. In fiscal year 2010, the trust fund’s revenues totaled about $35 billion. Some policymakers and transportation analysts have expressed interest in developing new sources of funding. This new book analyzes the effects of alternative approaches to funding highways and compares the effects of current fuel taxes and of possible new taxes on the number of miles highway users drive.

Highways: Federal-State Partnerships and Practices
**Barbara E. Allen and Jason G. Gray**

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2013.

Case: 978-1-62257-733-0. $110.00.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides about $40 billion to the states annually to build and maintain highways and bridges through the federal-aid highway program. This book describes the process and factors that could affect highway project time frames; examines state DOTs’ views on the benefits and challenges of the provisions to expedite highway projects established in SAFETEA-LU and describes additional initiatives that state DOTs and FHWA have implemented to expedite the completion of highway projects.

Managed Motorways: Traffic Optimization and Road Pricing Approaches in Europe and Singapore
**Elvis L. Duncan and Michael J. Snyder**

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Finding cost-effective options to mitigate recurrent and non-recurrent congestion on freeway facilities is one of the most significant challenges State and regional transportation organizations face. Several countries are implementing managed motorway concepts to move higher traffic volumes on their highways more efficiently without acquiring more land and constructing large-scale infrastructure projects. This book explores managed motorway concepts and traffic optimization technologies being implemented in Europe and Singapore.

Modeling Multilevel Data in Traffic Safety: A Bayesian Hierarchical Approach
**Hoong Chor Chin and Helai Huang (Department of Civil Engineering, National University of Singapore, Crescent, Singapore)**

2012.

Soft: 978-1-60692-270-5. $37.00.

Background: In the study of traffic system safety, statistical models have been broadly applied to establish the relationships between the
traffic crash occurrence and various risk factors. Most of the existing methods, such as the generalized linear regression models, assume that each observation (e.g., a crash or a vehicle involvement) in the estimation procedure corresponds to an individual situation. Hence, the residuals from the models exhibit independence. However, this “independence” assumption may often not hold true since multilevel data structures exist extensively because of the data collection and clustering process. Disregarding the possible within-group correlations may lead to production of models with unreliable parameter estimates and statistical inferences. Method: Following a literature review of crash prediction models, this book proposes a 5 T-level hierarchy, viz. (Geographic region level – Traffic site level – Traffic crash level – Driver-vehicle unit level – Vehicle-occupant level) Time level, to establish a general form of multilevel data structure in traffic safety analysis. To model properly the potential between-group heterogeneity due to the multilevel data structure, a framework of hierarchical models that explicitly specify multilevel structure and correctly yield parameter estimates is employed. Bayesian inference using Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithm is developed to calibrate the proposed hierarchical models. Two Bayesian measures, viz. the Deviance Information Criterion and Cross-Validation Predictive Densities, are adapted to establish the model suitability. Illustrations: The proposed method is illustrated using two case studies in Singapore: 1) a crash-frequency prediction model which takes into account Traffic site level and Time level; 2) a crash-severity prediction model which takes into account Traffic crash level and Driver-vehicle unit level. Conclusion: Comparing the predictive abilities of the proposed models against those of traditional methods, the study demonstrates the importance of accounting for the within-group correlations and illustrates the flexibilities and effectiveness of the Bayesian hierarchical approach in modeling multilevel structure of traffic safety data.

Passenger Rail Security Explosives Detect Jules B. Weeks and Josephine Napolitano In series: Safety and Risk in Society In series: Defense, Security and Strategies 2012. 120 pp. Case: 978-1-61942-597-2. $95.00. Passenger rail systems are vital components of the nation’s transportation infrastructure, encompassing rail transit and intercity rail. In the U.S., passenger rail systems provide approximately 14 million passenger trips each weekday, and commuters rely on these systems to provide efficient, reliable, and safe transportation. Terrorist attacks on passenger rail systems around the world, such as the March 2010 Moscow, Russia subway bombings and the July 2006 passenger train bombing in Mumbai, India, highlight the vulnerability of these systems. This book examines the latest technologies being implemented in passenger rail security and safety efforts including explosives detection and advanced imaging technologies.

Railroads in the United States: Considerations and Development Prospects Charles E. Russel and Carol M. Wood In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit 2013. Case: 978-1-62257-727-9. $110.00. e-book: 978-1-62257-728-6. $110.00. Pressure is building for greater passenger use of freight railroad rights of way. Freight railroad rights of way are owned by private, for-profit corporations, and the routes potentially most useful for passenger service are typically the busiest with freight traffic. In many cases, states or commuter rail authorities have reached agreement with freight railroads to share either their track or right of way. However, unlike Amtrak, which has eminent domain power over freight facilities and can appeal to a federal agency to determine the terms of its access to freight track, other would-be passenger rail operators do not have any statutory leverage when negotiating with freight railroads. This likely increases the price public authorities pay for access and leaves them with no apparent recourse when freight railroads reject their offers.

Surface Transportation: Funding and Federalism Considerations David M. Boche In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit In series: Transportation Issues, Policies and R&D 2012. 189 pp. Case: 978-1-61470-855-1. $125.00. e-book: 978-1-61470-931-2. $125.00. Since the early 1980s, the periodic debate over the reauthorization of federal surface transportation programs has been primarily about money and its distribution. In each of the five reauthorizations that took place during that period, the federal fuel taxes and other sources of revenue dedicated to the highway trust were reliably providing the various surface transportation programs with more money year after year. In 2009, this was not the case. For the first time in decades, driving declined significantly, with a concomitant decrease in fuel tax revenues. Going forward the program cannot count on new money from the familiar sources. The law authorizing federal surface transportation programs expired at the end of 2009, but Congress has failed to enact a new authorization. This book examines the surface transportation program reauthorization issues for the 112th Congress; funding and finance; the Donor-Donee State issue of funding equity and federalism issues in surface transportation policy.

Traffic Bottlenecks: Challenges and Reduction Strategies Alex L. Sloan and Connie F. Dorsey In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit 2012. 182 pp. Case: 978-1-62081-180-1. $110.00. e-book: 978-1-62081-226-6. $110.00. Much of recurring congestion is due to physical bottlenecks – potentially correctable points on the highway system where traffic flow is restricted. While many of the nation’s bottlenecks can only be addressed through costly major construction projects or costly transportation alternative solutions (i.e., high occupancy vehicle or toll lanes, dynamic pricing, investments in transit alternatives, etc.), there is significant opportunity for the application of operational and low-cost “fixes” at spot-specific locations. This book provides guidance to state and local transportation personnel on how to overcome barriers and challenges with reference to the implementation of localized congestion relief projects.

physical network, economic conditions and transportation system responsible for the movement of freight. It then explores the growing need to find new ways to address air quality concerns and greenhouse gas emissions associated with freight movements.

U.S. Transit, Transportation and Infrastructure: Considerations and Developments. Volume 1
Jordan G. Clark and Ian R. Rodriguez
In series: Transportation Infrastructure - Roads, Highways, Bridges, Airports and Mass Transit
Case: 978-1-61942-843-0, $95.00.
Policymakers at all levels of government are debating a wide range of options for addressing the nation's faltering economic conditions. One option that is once again receiving attention is accelerated investments in the nation's public infrastructure - that is, highways, mass transit, airports, water supply and wastewater, and other facilities - in order to create jobs while also promoting long-term economic growth. This book discusses policy issues associated with using infrastructure as a mechanism to benefit economic recovery. Discussed are the roles of infrastructure investment in economic growth generally and in contributing to bolstering a faltering economy. Key issues include the potential role of traditional and "green" infrastructure in creating jobs, timing and setting priorities.

UNITED STATES

A New Energy Vision for the U.S. Virgin Islands
Willard Lawson and Terrence Wheeler
In series: Energy Science, Engineering and Technology
In series: Energy Policies, Politics and Prices
Case: 978-1-61942-325-1, $215.00.
With high energy costs, isolated grids, and abundant renewable energy resources, island communities around the world are exploring alternatives to fossil fuels. Many small island states have set ambitious targets to reduce oil consumption. The U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI) has emerged as a leader in the effort to reduce oil imports and stabilize electricity costs via the deployment of energy efficiency and renewable energy technology. This book explores the strategy envisioned by the stakeholders in the USVI, Department of Energy and Department of the Interior, to achieve this ambitious goal within the electricity sector.

Amending the Constitution by an Article V Convention
Scott J. Hill and Adam Wright
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
2013.
Soft: 978-1-62257-762-0, $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-763-7, $52.00.
Article V of the U.S. Constitution provides two methods of amendment for the nation's fundamental charter. In the first, Congress, by a two-thirds vote of both chambers, proposes amendments to the states, which then consider the proposal; if three-fourths approve the amendment, it is ratified, and becomes part of the Constitution. Beginning with the Bill of Rights of 1789, this method has been used to propose 33 amendments, 27 of which have been ratified. This book provides a comprehensive analysis of congressional issues, including information on the contemporary resurgence of interest in the convention alternative and the authority of Congress to call a convention; provide a framework and procedures for an Article V Convention; and submit proposed amendments to the states for ratification. Also discussed is the President's role; the operation of checks and balances in the convention alternative; questions concerning a convention's composition and method of voting; and the function of the District of Columbia and U.S. territories.

American Indians: Developments, Policies and Research. Volume 1
Albert O. Hughes and Eric A. Sanders
In series: American Indians: Developments, Policies and Research
2012.
Case: 978-1-61122-351-4, $135.00.
This book presents current research on new developments and policies in the American Indian population in the United States. Topics discussed in this compilation include a brief history of federal Indian education programs, the students served by these programs and their funding; the Indian Education Formula Grant Program of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act; the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA); addressing child hunger and obesity in Indian country; unique factors that may affect economic activity on tribal lands; gaming on newly acquired lands and the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA); and Indian reserved water rights under the Winters Doctrine.

American Jobs Act: Outline and Select Provisions
John Miller and Phillip M. Jackson
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
Soft: 978-1-62081-110-8, $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-135-1, $47.00.
In response to continuing high rates of unemployment and a weak economy, President Obama announced his American Jobs Act on September 8, 2011. As stated by the President, the proposal aims to "put more people back to work and more money in the pockets of those who are working." This book describes provisions of the American Jobs Act which fall into three major categories: promote hiring and prevent layoffs among teachers, law enforcement officers, firefighters, veterans, and the long-term unemployed; assist unemployed workers through unemployment compensation and reemployment services; and expanding workforce opportunities for low-income adults and youth.

Members of Congress: Trends in Characteristics and Terms of Service
Teresa Thompson and Erwin J. Patterson
In series: Congressional Policies, Practices and Procedures
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62081-490-1, $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62081-500-7, $52.00.
Questions about the characteristics of Members of Congress, including their age, education, previous occupations, and other descriptors, are of ongoing interest to Members, congressional staff, and constituents. Some of these questions may be asked in the context of representation, in efforts to evaluate the extent to which Members of Congress reflect their constituencies and the nation at large. In other instances, questions arise about how the characteristics of Members have changed over time, which may speak in part to the history of Congress.
This book provides profiles of Senators and Representatives in selected Congresses since 1945, with a focus on service tenure and patterns of member service.

Memorializing and Preserving the Nation: Policy and Diversity
Margaret E. Halser
In series: American Cities
In series: Focus on Civilizations and Cultures
2012. 139 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-424-0. $95.00.
e-book: 978-1-62100-485-1. $95.00.
This book explores the public policy involved in memorializing and preserving the nation's historical sites. Topics discussed include: national monuments and the Antiquities Act; commemorative works in the District of Columbia; the establishment of national heritage areas to commemorate, conserve, and promote areas that include important natural, scenic, historic, cultural and recreational resources; establishing new units in the national park system and the significance of the different titles for individual units of the national park system and the advantages and disadvantages of systemwide recommendations to simplify park nomenclature.

Rural America: Aspects, Outlooks and Development. Volume 1
Clayford L. Lewis and Eric M. Jackson
In series: Rural America: Aspects, Outlooks and Development
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
2012. 192 pp.
Case: 978-1-61761-975-5. $110.00.
Rural development researchers and practitioners have argued in recent years that investing in a broad range of assets is a critical component of long-term economic growth in rural communities. Wealth can contribute to people's welfare in many ways beyond increasing income, such as providing economic resilience in adverse circumstances or enhancing one's power and prestige. Understanding the distribution of wealth across and within rural communities is critical. Additionally, population loss is a longstanding concern among rural development practitioners. Nearly half of today's nonmetropolitan counties lost population through net outmigration over the past 20 years. Population loss tends to increase tax burdens, reduce property values, and reduce both the demand for and supply of local goods and services. Rural outmigration is also troublesome because it is highly concentrated among young adults, especially those possessing or acquiring education and skills. This book examines rural America, with a focus on rural wealth, outmigration, population and transportation issues.

Rural America: Aspects, Outlooks and Development. Volume 2
Clayford L. Lewis and Eric M. Jackson
In series: Rural America: Aspects, Outlooks and Development
In series: America in the 21st Century: Political and Economic Issues
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-641-8. $110.00.
Our rural communities are home to some of the most hard working and fiercely self-reliant Americans in the United States. Strong and secure rural communities are essential to creating an economy built to last that rewards hard work and responsibility—not outsourcing, loopholes, and risky financial deals. While the security of the middle class has been threatened by the irresponsible financial collapse and the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression, rural Americans continue to come together to work hard and make ends meet. The values that have helped hard-working, responsible families weather the storm continue to move our economy forward. This book lays out the economic landscape rural America faces today and presents some of the Administration's many efforts to promote economic growth and job creation in rural communities.

Rural America: Development Policies and Programs
Ollie R. Carpenter and Dirk E. Weaver
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-61942-945-1. $125.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-955-0. $125.00.
Rural areas are home to about 50 million Americans and are an essential part of the overall economy. This book surveys the current state of rural America and describes the Obama Administration’s policies for strengthening the rural economy. This book also provides an overview of the various programs administered by the four USDA agencies, their authorizing legislation, program objectives, eligibility criteria, and FY2005-FY2011 funding for each program.

Social Security's Special Minimum Benefit Provision
Hanna M. Clarke and Jordon E. Hughes
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Retirement Issues, Plans and Lifestyles
2012. 98 pp.
Soft: 978-1-61942-697-9. $47.00.
e-book: 978-1-61942-728-0. $47.00.
This book provides an overview of the current Social Security special minimum benefit provision workings; explains how the Retirement Earnings Test works under current law; and examines the windfall elimination provision (WEP) which reduces the Social Security benefits of workers who also have pension benefits from employment not covered by Social Security.

The Peace Corps: Considerations, Assessments and Safety
Ottis E. Winter and Art B. Krause
In series: Foreign Policy of the United States
In series: Global Political Studies
Formed 50 years ago, in 1961, the Peace Corps sends American volunteers to serve at the grassroots level in villages and towns across the globe to meet its three-point legislative mandate of promoting world peace and friendship by improving the lives of those they serve, helping others understand American culture, and sharing their experiences with Americans back home. To date, nearly 200,000 Peace Corps volunteers have served in 139 countries. This book examines the Peace Corps, with a focus on the problems of safety and security for its volunteers worldwide and the challenges facing the organization to remain relevant and productive for the next fifty years.
The U.S. Constitution: Interpretations, Court Decisions and Analyses
Aart J. Roberts and Perry E. Hughes
In series: Government Procedures and Operations
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
Case: 978-1-62081-856-5. $195.00.
The United States Constitution, as amended, is a complex legal document which sets out the structure of the federal government, the legal authorities of that government (and, to a lesser extent, state governments), and, finally, a series of legal disabilities on the exercise of those authorities (such as protections for individual rights). The document also addresses the complicated legal relationship between the federal government, state governments, and the persons subject to their respective jurisdictions. Judicial interpretation of some of the Constitution’s provisions, however, has varied over the last two centuries, leading to concerns regarding the ultimate validity of these decisions. This book examines the historical basis for theories of constitutional interpretation, and the role of judicial precedent and pragmatism. Also discussed are the theories relating to the identification and justification of heightened constitutional protections for fundamental rights.

Gale A. Lewis and Norah M. Scott
In series: Defense, Security and Strategies
Case: 978-1-62081-427-7. $110.00.
As part of the conflict with Al Qaeda and the Taliban, the United States has captured and detained numerous persons believed to have been part of or associated with enemy forces. Over the years, federal courts have considered a multitude of petitions by or on behalf of suspected belligerents challenging aspects of U.S. detention policy. Although the Supreme Court has issued definitive rulings concerning several legal issues raised in the conflict with Al Qaeda and the Taliban, many others remain unresolved, with some the subject of ongoing litigation. This book analyzes the existing law and authority to detain U.S. persons, who are suspected of being members, agents or associated of Al Qaeda or possibly other terrorist organizations as "enemy combatants." This book also offers a brief background of the salient issues raised by the detainee provisions of the FY2012 NDAA and provides a section-by-section analysis; and discusses major judicial opinions concerning suspected enemy belligerents detained in the conflict with Al Qaeda and the Taliban.

U.S. Tax Reform: Challenges and Considerations
Stephen R. Morris and Barbara M. Morgan
In series: American Political, Economic, and Security Issues
In series: Economic Issues, Problems and Perspectives
Case: 978-1-62257-183-3. $135.00.
This book examines current proposals in the 112th Congress relating to tax reform. The President and leading members of Congress have stated that fundamental tax reform is a major policy objective. These policymakers have said that fundamental tax reform is needed in order to raise a large amount of additional revenue, which is necessary to reduce high forecast budget deficits and the sharply rising national debt. Congressional interest has been expressed in both a major overhaul of the U.S. tax system and the feasibility of levying a consumption tax. Some proponents of reform argue that the tax base should be broadened by reducing or eliminating many tax expenditures. An alternative to increasing tax revenues is cutting spending. Thus, Members are faced with considering the best mix of tax increases and spending cuts in order to reduce deficits and slow the growth of the national debt.

WOMEN

Feminism
Jason L. Powell (University of Central Lancashire, UK)
In series: Social Perspectives in the 21st Century
Edited by: Jason L. Powell (Dean of Faculty, University of Liverpool)
2012.
Soft: 978-1-62257-540-4. $52.00.
e-book: 978-1-62257-551-0. $52.00.
This book explores the history and contemporary rise and consolidation of Feminism. Mainstream social theory is said to represent a partial and incomplete view of society and social relations. Such is the power of this critique that any theory which seeks to chart the contemporary terrain of society itself will itself be incomplete without due consideration being given to Feminism and its main themes and ideas. A Feminism has had a major impact on social science. This text engages with conceptual development, historical formation, contemporary relevance and uses several examples from research to assess the strengths and weaknesses of Feminisms.

Gender Issues and Empowerment of Women
Manoranjan Pal, Prasanta Pathak, Premananda Bharati, Bhola Nath Ghosh and Amita Majumder (Indian Statistical Institute, India)
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
2012. 347 pp.
Case: 978-1-62100-407-3. $165.00.
This book deals with different aspects of gender discrimination and gender empowerment, as well as their impact on economic development in human society. The findings presented in this book will be very useful to readers, help policy-makers, planners and researchers in the concerned discipline in incorporating the gender perspective as a strong component in formulating government policies, plans and programs, particularly in third world countries like India and China. The volume is rich with papers on different topics in the field collected from experts.

Making Our Voices Heard: Women of Color in Academia
Harriet Curtis-Boyles, Diane M. Adams, Valata Jenkins-Monroe (Alliant International University, San Francisco, California)
In series: Women’s Issues
In series: Social Justice, Equality and Empowerment
2012.
Case: 978-1-62257-401-8. $150.00.
This book provides a compelling and informative look into the experiences of women of color in academia. Using personal and scholarly narrative the women in the book convey a poignant and richly descriptive account of the challenges they faced, the strategies...
they employed for survival and thriving, and the contributions they made to transform their institutions. From the seasoned faculty member and academic administrator to the entering graduate student, it is a must read book for women of color in academia. They will resonate to the voices of the women in the book, and hear their needs articulated in perceptive and practical ways. In the tradition of critical race theory, this book also fulfills the purpose of providing White professionals and students a new perspective of the personal and professional world of women of color in academia as represented through their eyes and realities.
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