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The Health of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People

The 'triple overlap' refers to the link between gender stratification, the household and economic variables. In this volume, leading sociologists examine this overlap as a totality, providing theoretical concepts and new research on how the triple overlap works, both inside the family and within the broader context of society. Their competing conceptions of the interrelationship of gender, family and economy are bolstered by empirical papers which raise questions of culture, class and race within the contexts of both the developed and developing worlds. Six of the articles in this volume were previously published as a Special Issue of Journal of Family Issues.

Gendered Lives, Sexual Beings

Focusing on the term empowerment this book examines the various meanings given to the concept of empowerment and the many ways power can be expressed - in personal relationships and in wider social interactions.

Unbound

This brief reader examines a number of organized movements that have successfully brought about reform and change "from the bottom up."

How Society Makes Itself

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This radical account of the evolution of political, social, and economic institutions weaves together strands of anthropology, sociology, political science, history, and economics. In a highly readable text, Howard Sherman explains the interconnections of ideas and economic forces, and traces the evolution of social and economic institutions from primitive times to the present. Sherman focuses on the myth of "inevitable progress" in technology, and argues that it progresses only when social and economic institutions and dominant ideas encourage it to improve. He shows that throughout history technology, as a part of the economic forces, ebbs and flows to create or undermine existing economic institutions.

Questioning Gender

Even though teenaged girl Jackie Mitchell once struck out Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig, women are still striking out on the hardball diamond. This book builds on recently published histories of women as amateur and professional players, umpires, sports commentators and fans to analyze the cultural and historical contexts for excluding females from America's pastime. Drawing on anthropological and feminist perspectives, the book examines the ways that constructions of women's bodies and normative social roles have pushed them toward softball instead of baseball. Sportswriter accounts, Title IX sex-discrimination suits, and interviews with players explore the obstacles and the social isolation of females who join all-male baseball teams, while also discussing policies that inhibit the practice.

Other, Please Specify

This book uses the world of sports in order to reveal the complicated history of gender, sexuality, race, and social justice while connecting those stories to today's athletes. It highlights the ways sports often contribute to inequalities, but also how they can help make the world more accepting. Have you ever wondered why most cheerleaders are girls? It didn't used to be that way. Up until the early twentieth century, all cheerleaders were actually boys. And why do some athletes, like Caster Semanya, have to prove they're women while there's no testing for men? Why do athletes like Megan Rapinoe and Colin Kaepernick use sports as a platform for social justice, and should they? These questions and more are examined in *Throw Like a Girl, Cheer Like a Boy: The Evolution of Gender, Identity, and Race in Sports*. Robyn Ryle uses the world of sports to examine the history, controversy, and current conversations around sexuality, race, and social justice, bringing in the stories of today's athletes to highlight where things stand in the present. Topics covered include gender segregation, gender testing, transgender athletes, sexuality, homophobia, globalization, race, and activism. *Throw Like a Girl, Cheer Like a Boy* shows the great strides that have been made in the sports world recently, but there are still questions that remain and work that needs to be done. This book brings to attention the ways in which sports can contribute to inequalities, while also demonstrating how sports can help create a more just world for everyone.

American Hookup: The New Culture of Sex on Campus

A one-of-a-kind text designed to launch readers into a thoughtful encounter with gender issues. *Questioning Gender: A Sociological Exploration, Third Edition* serves as a point-of-departure for productive conversations about gender, and as a resource for exploring answers to many of those questions. Rather than providing definitive answers, this unique book exposes readers to some of the best scholarship in the field that will lead them to question many of their assumptions about what is normal and abnormal. The author uses both historical and cross-cultural approaches—as well as a focus on intersectionality and transgender issues—to help students understand the socially constructed nature of gender.

Fashioning Fat

At a time when lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals--often referred to under the umbrella acronym LGBT--are becoming more visible in society and more socially acknowledged, clinicians and researchers are faced with incomplete information about their health status. While LGBT populations often are combined as a single entity for research and advocacy purposes, each is a distinct population group with its own specific health needs. Furthermore, the experiences of LGBT individuals are not uniform and are shaped by factors of race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, geographical location, and age, any of which can have an effect on

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health-related concerns and needs. The Health of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People assesses the state of science on the health status of LGBT populations, identifies research gaps and opportunities, and outlines a research agenda for the National Institute of Health. The report examines the health status of these populations in three life stages: childhood and adolescence, early/middle adulthood, and later adulthood. At each life stage, the committee studied mental health, physical health, risks and protective factors, health services, and contextual influences. To advance understanding of the health needs of all LGBT individuals, the report finds that researchers need more data about the demographics of these populations, improved methods for collecting and analyzing data, and an increased participation of sexual and gender minorities in research. The Health of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People is a valuable resource for policymakers, federal agencies including the National Institute of Health (NIH), LGBT advocacy groups, clinicians, and service providers.

Revolutionary Nostalgia

Long regarded as a maudlin mental state, nostalgia is everywhere and has been reimagined as a signifier of good mental health. It is no longer the bailiwick of right-wing reactionaries but a crucible of critical thinking and revolutionary intent. This book explores the revolution in nostalgia and the nostalgia in revolution.

Where the Millennials Will Take Us

Questioning Gender: A Sociological Exploration serves as a point-of-departure for productive conversations and questions about gender and as a resource for exploring answers to many of those questions. Rather than providing definitive answers, this book takes a global approach and aims to challenge readers' preconceptions about gender and to demonstrate how gender as a system creates and reinforces inequality. Author Robyn Ryle uses both historical and cross-cultural approaches to help readers understand the socially constructed nature of gender. With a focus on contemporary topics, including the #MeToo movement, sexual harassment in the workplace, and the gender wage gap, readers will be prompted to think critically about past, present, and future gender-related issues.

Perspectives in Social Research Methods and Analysis

The second edition of A Handbook for the Study of Mental Health provides a comprehensive review of the sociology of mental health. Chapters by leading scholars and researchers present an overview of historical, social and institutional frameworks. Part I examines social factors that shape psychiatric diagnosis and the measurement of mental health and illness, theories that explain the definition and treatment of mental disorders and cultural variability. Part II investigates effects of social context, considering class, gender, race and age, and the

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critical role played by stress, marriage, work and social support. Part III focuses on the organization, delivery and evaluation of mental health services, including the criminalization of mental illness, the challenges posed by HIV, and the importance of stigma. This is a key research reference source that will be useful to both undergraduates and graduate students studying mental health and illness from any number of disciplines.

Unlocking the Magic of Facilitation

This book shows students the steps involved in the research process, the various strategies for conducting a valid social inquiry, and most importantly, the persuasiveness and elegance of reliable social research. It highlights the link between academic research and the real world. Included are carefully chosen examples of each of the major methodological techniques—survey, interviews, fieldwork observations, experiments, content analysis, secondary analysis and program evaluation. Also included are selections on sampling strategies, research ethics and both qualitative and quantitative data analysis.

Introduction to Political Sociology

For two and a half years, Amanda Czerniawski was a sociologist turned plus-size model. Journeying into a world where, as a size 10, she was not considered an average body type, but rather, for the fashion industry, “plus-sized,” Czerniawski studied the

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standards of work and image production in the plus-sized model industry. Fashioning Fat takes us through a model's day-to-day activities, first at open calls at modeling agencies and then through the fashion shows and photo shoots. Czerniawski also interviewed 35 plus-size models about their lives in the world of fashion, bringing to life the strange contradictions of being an object of non-idealized beauty. Fashioning Fat shows us that the mission of many of these models is to challenge our standards of beauty that privilege the thin body; they show us that fat can be sexy. Many plus-size models do often succeed in overcoming years of self-loathing and shame over their bodies, yet, as Czerniawski shows, these women are not the ones in charge of beauty's construction or dissemination. At the corporate level, the fashion industry perpetuates their objectification. Plus-size models must conform to an image created by fashion's tastemakers, as their bodies must fit within narrowly defined parameters of size and shape—an experience not too different from that of straight-sized models. Ultimately, plus-size models find that they are still molding their bodies to fit an image instead of molding an image of beauty to fit their bodies. A much-needed behind-the-scenes look at this growing industry, Fashioning Fat is a fascinating, unique, and important contribution to our understanding of beauty.

Sociology of Sexualities

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER * #1 SUNDAY
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of the Year: The Washington Post * NPR * The Atlantic * New York Public Library * Vanity Fair * PBS * Time * Economist * Entertainment Weekly * Financial Times * Shelf Awareness * Guardian * Sunday Times * BBC * Esquire * Good Housekeeping * Elle * Real Simple

“THIS IS THE BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR. This is it. This is the one that blew the top of my head off and I haven’t been able to stop thinking or talking about it since.”

—Elizabeth Gilbert “Taddeo spent eight years reporting this groundbreaking

book. Breathtaking. Staggeringly intimate.”

—Entertainment Weekly “A breathtaking and important book... What a fine thing it is to be

enthralled by another writer’s sentences. To be stunned by her intellect and heart.” —Cheryl Strayed

A riveting true story about the sex lives of three real American women, based on nearly a decade of

reporting. Hailed as “a dazzling achievement” (Los Angeles Times) and “riveting page-turner that

explores desire, heartbreak, and infatuation in all its messy, complicated nuance” (The Washington Post),

Lisa Taddeo’s *Three Women* has captivated readers, booksellers, and critics—and topped bestseller

lists—worldwide. In suburban Indiana we meet Lina, a homemaker and mother of two whose marriage, after

a decade, has lost its passion. Starved for affection, Lina battles daily panic attacks and, after

reconnecting with an old flame through social media, embarks on an affair that quickly becomes all-

consuming. In North Dakota we meet Maggie, a seventeen-year-old high school student who allegedly

has a clandestine physical relationship with her handsome, married English teacher; the ensuing

criminal trial will turn their quiet community upside

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down. Finally, in an exclusive enclave of the Northeast, we meet Sloane—a gorgeous, successful, and refined restaurant owner—who is happily married to a man who likes to watch her have sex with other men and women. Based on years of immersive reporting and told with astonishing frankness and immediacy, *Three Women* is both a feat of journalism and a triumph of storytelling, brimming with nuance and empathy. “A work of deep observation, long conversations, and a kind of journalistic alchemy” (Kate Tuttle, NPR), *Three Women* introduces us to three unforgettable women—and one remarkable writer—whose experiences remind us that we are not alone.

Gender, Family and Economy

Gender Socialization and the Making of Gender in the Indian Context discusses what gender is, its formation and effects, and how children form gender identities by conforming to social expectations and imitating gender-specific behaviour. As they grow older, they learn to assimilate this behaviour and the norms that they had earlier merely imitated. They also learn the consequences of deviating from these norms. Each culture has a set of practices for teaching gender roles. This book examines the social arrangements in India that make a child conform to normative femininity or masculinity. It studies the role of family, religion, mythology, teachers, peer group and the various media in inculcating this. Further, the book looks at the root cause of sexist injustices rampant even today in the making of gender inequality.

Gender Socialization and the Making of Gender in the Indian Context

The Eighth edition of David Newman's Sociology: Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life once again invites students into the world of sociological thought. Sociology encourages students to think less about the next test and more about how the subject applies to their everyday lives. In addition to updated coverage and fresh examples, this edition features revamped Micro-Macro Connections that have been even further honed to help students understand the link between individual lives and the structure of society.

Three Women

Since its initial publication in 1990, this book has become a key work of contemporary feminist theory, and an essential work for anyone interested in the study of gender, queer theory, or the politics of sexuality in culture. This is the text where the author began to advance the ideas that would go on to take life as "performativity theory," as well as some of the first articulations of the possibility for subversive gender practices. Overall, this book offers a powerful critique of heteronormativity and of the function of gender in the modern world.

The Complete Guide to Graduate School Admission

"Located within the critical conversation about what it might mean to 'queer' research methods that has

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developed over the past decade in conference panels, workshops, edited volumes, and journal symposia, *Other, Please Specify: Queer Methods in Sociology* presents an array of experiences, insights, and approaches that show the power of queer investigations of the social world and of the disciplinary conventions of sociology. Incorporating the experiences of sociologists who utilize a range of interpretative and statistical methods, this volume offers methodological advice and practical strategies for getting queer research off the ground and for building a collaborative community within this emerging subfield"--Provided by publisher.

Gender Trouble

An intimate portrait of a new generation of transmasculine individuals as they undergo gender transitions Award-winning sociologist Arlene Stein takes us into the lives of four strangers who find themselves together in a sun-drenched surgeon's office, having traveled to Florida from across the United States in order to masculinize their chests. Ben, Lucas, Parker, and Nadia wish to feel more comfortable in their bodies; three of them are also taking testosterone so that others recognize them as male. Following them over the course of a year, Stein shows how members of this young transgender generation, along with other gender dissidents, are refashioning their identities and challenging others' conceptions of who they are. During a time of conservative resurgence, they do so despite great personal costs. Transgender men comprise a large,

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growing proportion of the trans population, yet they remain largely invisible. In this powerful, timely, and eye-opening account, Stein draws from dozens of interviews with transgender people and their friends and families, as well as with activists and medical and psychological experts. Unbound documents the varied ways younger trans men see themselves and how they are changing our understanding of what it means to be male and female in America.

Questioning Gender

Using findings from the latest information in developmental psychology, neuroscience and education, this book debunks the assumed differences between male and female brain function and reveals the brain's remarkable plasticity and the influence of culture on identity. Reprint.

The Sociology of Gender

Should I go to graduate school? How do I choose where to apply? Are my grades and accomplishments good enough to get in? Who should I ask to write recommendation letters for me, and how should I approach these people? How do I write my "personal statement?" When will I hear my fate, and how should I make my final decision? These are just a few of the many questions to which this well-researched, thorough, and extremely user-friendly book offers answers. Students who are contemplating graduate training in psychology, counseling, and related fields are often apprehensive and confused about applying

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to graduate school, but this book takes the guesswork and anxiety out of the process. The tone and features (such as the Q&A format, timeline for application-related tasks and activities, and special advice for special populations) that made the first edition so successful, eliciting hundreds of thank-you notes and e-mail messages to the author, are just as evident in this new edition. The book has been thoroughly updated to include coverage of new topics such as use of the internet and e-mail, as well as changing trends in the professions. The most obvious difference is that the book is now significantly shorter as a result of meticulous rewriting, making it even easier to use. There have been attempts since the publication of the first edition to copy the format of this book, but none of the others have successfully duplicated the depth of research-based advice and the supportive style that make this book the guide of choice for thousands of graduate-school bound students and their advisors.

The Social Lens

Theoretical Perspectives on Gender and Development demystifies the theory of gender and development and shows how it plays an important role in everyday life. It explores the evolution of gender and development theory, introduces competing theoretical frameworks, and examines new and emerging debates. The focus is on the implications of theory for policy and practice, and the need to theorize gender and development to create a more egalitarian society. This book is intended for classroom and workshop use in the fields of

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development studies, development theory, gender and development, and women's studies. Its clear and straightforward prose will be appreciated by undergraduate and seasoned professional, alike. Classroom exercises, study questions, activities, and case studies are included. It is designed for use in both formal and nonformal educational settings.

Handbook of the Sociology of Gender

If you've ever questioned the logic of basing an entire identity around what you have between your legs, it's time to embark on a daring escape outside of the binary box. Open your eyes to what it means to be a boy or a girl — and above and beyond! Within these pages, you get to choose which path to forge. Explore over one hundred different scenarios that embrace nearly every definition across the world, over history, and in the ever-widening realms of our imagination! What if your journey leads you into a world with several genders, or simply one? Do you live in a matriarchal society, or as a sworn virgin in the Balkans? How does gender (or the lack thereof) change the way we approach sex and love, life or death? Jump headfirst into this refreshingly creative exploration of the ways gender colors every shade and shape of our world. Above all, it's more important than ever for us to celebrate the fact that there are infinite gender paths — and each of them is beautiful.

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Sociology of Sexualities takes a unique sociological

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approach to the study of sexualities and explores the ways sexuality operates in and through institutions. Drawing on the most up-to-date scientific research on sexuality, as well as the latest political developments on the issues, this core text helps students connect knowledge about sexuality with their broader understanding of society. The thoroughly revised Second Edition includes updated and expanded discussions of the latest sociological research and social justice movements regarding gender and sexuality, as well as a new chapter exploring sexuality and social class, space, and place. FREE DIGITAL TOOLS INCLUDED WITH THIS TEXT SAGE Edge gives instructors the edge they need to succeed with an array of teaching tools in one easy-to-navigate website. Learn more: edge.sagepub.com/fitzgeraldss2e

Questioning Empowerment

This completely revised and updated fifth edition of the successful introduction to political sociology text by Tony Orum includes contributions by a new co-author, John G. Dale, as well as four brand new chapters, introducing timely topics related to the field such as social movements; the mass media; and theorist Karl Polyani.

Communicating Gender Diversity

A comprehensive presentation of the major topics in medical sociology. The Sociology of Health, Healing, and Illness, 8/e by Gregory L. Weiss and Lynne E.

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Lonnquist provides an in-depth overview of the field of medical sociology. The authors provide solid coverage of traditional topics while providing significant coverage of current issues related to health, healing, and illness. Readers will emerge with an understanding of the health care system in the United States as well as the changes that are taking place with the implementation of The Affordable Care Act.

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The purpose behind *Communicating Gender Diversity: A Critical Approach* is not to provide any final conclusions about communicating gender. Because gender is a constantly evolving concept, both in terms of individuals' gender identity development and the larger culture's predominant notions of gender, such absolute claims are not possible. Instead, the intent is to better equip readers with tools with which they can examine, and make sense of, the intersections of communication and gender. The text covers the variety of ways in which communication of and about gender and sex enables and constrains people's intersectional identities. The authors believe people are social actors and, as such, create meaning through their symbolic interactions. Thus, the book's emphasis is not on how gender influences communication, but on how communication constitutes gender. They also believe that people are capable of being self-reflective about communication processes, and creative in generating new ways to play with symbols.

Solutions to Social Problems from the Bottom Up

Challenging current theories about gender and achievement, this book assesses the issues at stake and analyses the policy drives and changing perceptions of gender on which the 'gender and achievement' debates are based. This new topical book guides the reader through the different theories and approaches, drawing together and reviewing work on gender and educational performance. The authors also highlight the continuing problems experienced by girls in terms of achievement and classroom interaction. The subjects covered include: perspectives on gender and achievement the construction of gender and achievement in education policy evaluating boys' underachievement the future for boys and girls? raising achievement: 'What works in the classroom?' Teachers, education professionals and students engaged in teacher training will welcome the editors' objective yet critical expertise.

No Girls in the Clubhouse

"A must-read for any student—present or former—stuck in hookup culture's pressure to put out."—Ana Valens, *Bitch* Offering invaluable insights for students, parents, and educators, Lisa Wade analyzes the mixed messages of hookup culture on today's college campuses within the history of sexuality, the evolution of higher education, and the unfinished feminist revolution. She draws on broad, original, insightful research to explore a challenging

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emotional landscape, full of opportunities for self-definition but also the risks of isolation, unequal pleasure, competition for status, and sexual violence. Accessible and open-minded, compassionate and honest, American Hookup explains where we are and how we got here, asking, “Where do we go from here?”

What is Gender?

This fully updated Third Edition of Kenneth Allan’s acclaimed *The Social Lens* emphasizes the diversity of classical and contemporary theory, critical thinking, and the importance of historical context. Chosen for the diversity of their perspectives and their suitability for introducing students to contemporary social thought, a wide variety of theorists appear in the text with their individual voices vividly intact. The author engages students in the historic and contemporary changes that have spawned diverse social theories and invites them to see theory as an element within a broader range of critical thinking skills that can be applied to current social problems.

Throw Like a Girl, Cheer Like a Boy

This innovative reader contains foundational and cutting-edge articles representing a range of primary feminist research by established and early-career scholars. Editors Joya Misra, Mahala Dyer Stewart, and Marni Alyson Brown have carefully selected, edited, and introduced the selections with undergraduate students in mind, and address many key 21st century

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approaches to feminist scholarship throughout, including intersectional perspectives, global and transnational perspectives, a focus on transgender, and an emphasis on masculinity. Gendered Lives, Sexual Beings is also supported by a dynamic blog, where the editors connect the readings to current events and related online articles, films, short videos, and podcasts. Go beyond the text with the Gendered Lives, Sexual Beings blog here:
<https://gendersexualityreader.wordpress.com/>

Reassessing Gender and Achievement

With heterosexuality currently being examined more rigorously than ever before, this accessible and engaging book charts the development of feminist and sociological theorizing on sexuality and the emergence of a radical critique of heterosexuality. Stevi Jackson reviews a range of important theoretical and substantive issues, and she demonstrates an important shift in feminist thinking from an emphasis on male dominance within heterosexual relations to a critical perspective on heterosexuality itself. Her book will be relevant to scholars and students in the fields of women's studies, lesbian and gay studies and the sociology of sexuality.

She/He/They/Me

A unique multidimensional view of the relationship between the state, society, and oppression Designed to help students analyze and understand political developments in the world around them, this unique

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text covers a wide array of political sociology concepts and theoretical perspectives. The book's proposed multidimensional view emphasizes the interplay between power, inequality, multiple oppressions, and the state. Blending elements of today's prevalent power structure theories, this framework provides students with a unique focus on the structure of power and inequality in society today. Features: A critical analysis of commonly ignored theoretical perspectives, including anarchist theory, queer theory, and post-structuralism, provides an interdisciplinary perspective. Unique multidimensional topics include class-based, racialized, and gendered state policies and practices in Chapter 7, and paths of resistance, challenge, and subversion, particularly social movements, in Chapter 6. Chapter-ending critical thinking and discussion questions ask students to apply the chapter's conceptual frameworks and concepts to contemporary issues or current events. Charts and diagrams throughout the book help students process conceptual ideas, data, and a wide range of perspectives.

Sociology of Health, Healing, and Illness

Have you ever been in a training and marveled at how quickly the time flew by? Genuinely enjoyed a meeting you were expecting to dread? Learned something powerful about a topic you thought wouldn't engage you? Experienced an intimate, vulnerable, transformative moment with a group of total strangers? Then you've witnessed the magic of facilitation. Like all magic tricks - though they seem to

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defy reason when you're spectating for the first time - once the secrets of facilitation are unveiled to you, you'll look back with a bland obviousness. Of course that's how it's done. In this book, co-authors and social justice facilitators Sam Killermann and Meg Bolger teach you how to perform the favorite tricks they keep up their sleeve. It's the learning they've accumulated from thousands of hours of facilitating, debriefing, challenging, and failing; it's the lessons from their mentors, channeled through their experience; it's the magician's secrets, revealed to the public, because it's about time folks have the privilege of looking behind the curtain of facilitation and thinking of course that's how it's done. This book highlights 11 key concepts every facilitator should know, that most facilitators don't even know they should know. They are sometimes-tiny things that show up huge in facilitation. It's a book for facilitators of all stripes, goals, backgrounds, and settings - and the digestible, enjoyable, actionable lessons would benefit anyone who is responsible for engaging a group of people in learning.

Heterosexuality in Question

With content organized around big questions about gender, *Questioning Gender: A Sociological Exploration* serves as a point-of-departure for conversations about gender, and as a resource for exploring answers to many of those questions. Rather than providing definitive answers, this unique book exposes readers to new material that will lead them to question their assumptions.

Sociology

Are today's young adults gender rebels or returning to tradition? In *Where the Millennials Will Take Us*, Barbara J. Risman reveals the diverse strategies youth use to negotiate the ongoing gender revolution. Using her theory of gender as a social structure, Risman analyzes life history interviews with a diverse set of Millennials to probe how they understand gender and how they might change it. Some are true believers that men and women are essentially different and should be so. Others are innovators, defying stereotypes and rejecting sexist ideologies and organizational practices. Perhaps new to this generation are gender rebels who reject sex categories, often refusing to present their bodies within them and sometimes claiming genderqueer identities. And finally, many youths today are simply confused by all the changes swirling around them. As a new generation contends with unsettled gender norms and expectations, Risman reminds us that gender is much more than an identity; it also shapes expectations in everyday life, and structures the organization of workplaces, politics, and, ideology. To pursue change only in individual lives, Risman argues, risks the opportunity to eradicate both gender inequality and gender as a primary category that organizes social life.

The Beauty Myth

This handbook provides a comprehensive view of the field of the sociology of gender. It presents the most

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important theories about gender and methods used to study gender, as well as extensive coverage of the latest research on gender in the most important areas of social life, including gendered bodies, sexuality, carework, paid labor, social movements, incarceration, migration, gendered violence, and others. Building from previous publications this handbook includes a vast array of chapters from leading researchers in the sociological study of gender. It synthesizes the diverse field of gender scholarship into a cohesive theoretical framework, gender structure theory, in order to position the specific contributions of each author/chapter as part of a complex and multidimensional gender structure. Through this organization of the handbook, readers do not only gain tremendous insight from each chapter, but they also attain a broader understanding of the way multiple gendered processes are interrelated and mutually constitutive. While the specific focus of the handbook is on gender, the chapters included in the volume also give significant attention to the interrelation of race, class, and other systems of stratification as they intersect and implicate gendered processes.

A Handbook for the Study of Mental Health

Gender is one of the most important topics in the field of sociology, and as a system of social practices it inspires a multitude of theoretical approaches. The Sociology of Gender offers an introductory overview of gender theory and research, offering a unique and

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compelling approach. Treats gender as a multilevel system operating at the individual, interactional, and institutional levels. Stresses conceptual and theoretical issues in the sociology of gender. Offers an accessible yet intellectually sophisticated approach to current gender theory and research. Includes pedagogical features designed to encourage critical thinking and debate. Closer Look readings at the end of each chapter give a unique perspective on chapter topics by presenting relevant articles by leading scholars.

Delusions of Gender: How Our Minds, Society, and Neurosexism Create Difference

The bestselling classic that redefined our view of the relationship between beauty and female identity. In today's world, women have more power, legal recognition, and professional success than ever before. Alongside the evident progress of the women's movement, however, writer and journalist Naomi Wolf is troubled by a different kind of social control, which, she argues, may prove just as restrictive as the traditional image of homemaker and wife. It's the beauty myth, an obsession with physical perfection that traps the modern woman in an endless spiral of hope, self-consciousness, and self-hatred as she tries to fulfill society's impossible definition of "the flawless beauty."

Theoretical Perspectives on Gender and Development

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Is gender something done to us by society, or something we do? What is the relationship between gender and other inequalities? What is Gender? explores these complex and important questions, helping readers to critically analyse how women's and men's lives are shaped by the society in which they live. The book offers a comprehensive account of trends in sociological thinking, from a material and economic focus on gender inequalities to the debates about meaning initiated by the linguistic or cultural turn. The book begins by questioning simplistic biological conceptions of gender and goes on to evaluate different theoretical frameworks for explaining gender, as well as political approaches to gender issues. The cultural turn is also examined in relation to thinking about how gender is related to other forms of inequality such as class and 'race'. The book is up-to-date and broad in its scope, drawing on a range of disciplines, such as: sociology, psychoanalysis, masculinity studies, literary criticism, feminist political theory, feminist philosophy and feminist theory.

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