Contemporary Issues In Criminological Theory And Research

An introductory text for first year criminology students, covering the key questions, debates and theoretical models in the field, as well as themes of inequality, social justice, and human rights, to encourage an international or 'globalised' understanding of crime and justice matters. The book provides students with a strong, interdisciplinary foundation to their criminological studies, covering all the key topics taught on a first year course, including: The causes and prevalence of crime Doing criminological research The social divisions (class, power and inequality) that relate to crime and justice The role of politics and the media Punishment Corporate crime and cybercrime Global justice All content is supported by case studies on contemporary issues, and online resources for students and lecturers, consisting of video interviews between the author and academics or practitioners in the field of criminology, addressing key topics outlined in the book and discussing case studies. There are also lecturer PowerPoint slides, testbank, and web links to blogs, datasets, specialised video and audio materials.

Criminological Theory: The Essentials, Third Edition offers you a brief yet comprehensive overview of classic and contemporary criminologists and their theories. Putting criminological theory in context, acclaimed author Stephen G. Tibbetts examines policy implications brought about by theoretical perspectives to demonstrate to you the practical application of theories to contemporary social problems. New to the Third Edition: A new chapter dedicated entirely to feminist perspectives (Chapter 10) introduces you to feminist models of crime while underscoring the importance of examining the related research. Case studies that examine offender motives are now included to help you apply the theories discussed to interesting and memorable examples. Policy is now integrated into each section to allow you to see the practical policy implications of each theory. Coverage of critical topics has been expanded throughout to introduce you to important issues, such as the influence of employment on criminal behavior, the success of school programs in reducing delinquent behavior, and federal sentencing guidelines in regard to crack versus powder cocaine. Statistics, graphs, and tables have all been updated to demonstrate the most recent trends in criminology.

This text provides a comprehensive overview of the criminal justice and criminology curriculum through contributed essays designed to review and expand upon key areas of study. The text will explore and examine theory, cases, laws and policies as they have been shaped by a larger social, cultural, and historical context. Topics span the gamut of the Criminal Justice and Criminology curriculum, including crime theory, law enforcement, jurisprudence, corrections and organizations.

Focuses on contemporary criminology theory about the causes of crime. This work outlines different theories and discusses: whether crime is homogenous; the social-structural processes in criminality; whether biosocial factors must be incorporated; and feminist criminology. The questions that animate this collection of essays concern the challenges that are posed for criminology by the economic, cultural, and political transformations that have marked late 20th century social life.

Criminology: Explaining Crime and Its Context, Ninth Edition, is a highly acclaimed textbook offering a broad perspective on criminological theory. It provides students of criminology and sociology with a thorough exposure to a range of theories, contrasting their logic and assumptions, but also highlighting efforts to integrate and blend these frameworks. In this ninth edition, the authors have incorporated new directions that have gained traction in the field, while remaining faithful to their criminological heritage. Among the themes in this work are the
relativity of crime (its changing definition) with abundant examples, historical roots of criminology and the lessons they have provided, and the strength and challenges of applying the scientific method. This revision offers enhanced coverage of biosocial theories of crime, more global examples, and a new chapter on youth violence, improving on the most comprehensive and balanced theory text available for undergraduates.

An indispensable resource for all levels, this handbook provides up-to-date, in-depth summaries of the most important theories in criminology. Provides original, cutting-edge, and in-depth summaries of the most important theories in criminology Covers the origins and assumptions behind each theory, explores current debates and research, points out knowledge gaps, and offers directions for future research Encompasses theory, research, policy, and practice, with recommendations for further reading at the end of each essay Features discussions of broad issues and topics related to the field, such as the correlates of crime, testing theory, policy, and prediction Clearly and accessibly written by leading scholars in the field as well as up-and-coming scholars

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"For any criminologist looking to make sense of recent developments in the field, this is the go-to book. In essays by leading specialists, it provides the latest updates on traditional theories whilst charting new directions. It also offers interpretive frameworks for criminology's current flux and fragmentation and closely examines relationships among theory, policy, and criminal justice practice. Invaluable and indispensable!" - Nicole Rafter, Professor, Northeastern University

The SAGE Handbook of Criminological Theory re-centres theory in the boldest, most thought-provoking form possible within the criminological enterprise. Written by a team of internationally respected specialists, it provides readers with a clear overview of criminological theory, enabling them to reflect critically upon the variety of theoretical positions - traditional, emergent and desirable - that are constitutive of the discipline at the beginning of the twenty-first century. Each chapter has been specially commissioned to include the following: " A brief historical overview of the theoretical perspective " Core ideas and key associated concepts " A critical review of the contemporary status of the perspective " Reflections on future developments In addition the Handbook features a substantive introduction by the editors, providing a review of the development of criminological theory, the state of contemporary criminological theory and emergent issues and debates. The SAGE Handbook of Criminological Theory is an indispensable international resource for libraries and scholars of all levels studying the rapidly developing, interdisciplinary field of criminology.

The concept of critical criminology – that crime and the present day processes of criminalization are rooted in the core structures of society – is of more relevance today than it has been at any other time. Written by an internationally renowned scholar, Contemporary Critical Criminology introduces the most up-to-date empirical, theoretical, and political contributions made by critical criminologists around the world. In its exploration of this material, the book also challenges the erroneous but widely held notion that the critical criminological project is restricted to mechanically applying theories to substantive topics, or to simple calling for radical political, economic, cultural, and social transformations. This book is an essential source of reference for both undergraduate and postgraduate students of Criminology, Criminal Theory, Social Policy, Research Methodology, and Penology.

Social learning theory has been called the dominant theory of crime and delinquency in the United States, yet it is often misrepresented. This latest volume in the distinguished Advances in Criminological Theory series explores the impact of this theory. Some equate it with differential association theory. Others depict it as little more than a micro-level appendage to cultural deviance theories. There have been earlier attempts to clarify the theory’s unique features in comparison to other theories, and others have applied it to broader issues. These efforts are
extended in this volume, which focuses on developing, applying, and testing the theory on a variety of criminal and delinquent behavior. It applies the theory to treatment and prevention, moving social learning into a global context for the twenty-first century. This comprehensive volume includes the latest work, tests, and theoretical advances in social learning theory and will be particularly helpful to criminologists, sociologists, and psychologists. It may also be of interest to those concerned with current issues relating to delinquency, drug use/abuse, and drinking/alcohol abuse.

Policing, crime, poverty, prison management - these are just some of the key issues facing society today. This book addresses such issues, raising questions that should be of interest not only to academic criminologists but also to all those involved in the criminal justice system. Updated Edition of a Best-Seller! Offering a rich introduction to how scholars analyze crime, Criminological Theory: Context and Consequences moves readers beyond a commonsense knowledge of crime to a deeper understanding of the importance of theory in shaping crime control policies. The Seventh Edition of the authors’ clear, accessible, and thoroughly revised text covers traditional and contemporary theory within a larger sociological and historical context. It includes new sources that assess the empirical status of the major theories, as well as updated coverage of crime control policies and their connection to criminological theory.

This book is a printed edition of the Special Issue “Religion and Crime: Theory, Research, and Practice” that was published in Religions. This book provides a comprehensive and up-to-date introduction to criminological theory for students taking courses in criminology at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. Building on previous editions, this book presents the latest research and theoretical developments. The text is divided into five parts, the first three of which address ideal type models of criminal behaviour: the rational actor, predestined actor and victimized actor models. Within these, the various criminological theories are located chronologically in the context of one of these different traditions, and the strengths and weaknesses of each theory and model are clearly identified. The fourth part of the book looks closely at more recent attempts to integrate theoretical elements from both within and across models of criminal behaviour, while the fifth part addresses a number of key recent concerns of criminology: postmodernism, cultural criminology, globalization and communitarianism, the penal society, southern criminology and critical criminology. All major theoretical perspectives are considered, including: classical criminology, biological and psychological positivism, labelling theories, feminist criminology, critical criminology and left realism, situation action, desistance theories, social control theories, the risk society, postmodern condition and terrorism. The new edition also features comprehensive coverage of recent developments in criminology, including ‘the myth of the crime drop’, the revitalization of critical criminology and political economy, shaming and crime, defiance theory, coerced mobility theory and new developments in social control and general strain theories. This revised and expanded fifth edition of An Introduction to Criminological Theory includes chapter summaries, critical thinking questions, policy implications, a full glossary of terms and theories and a timeline of criminological theory, making it essential reading for those studying criminology and taking courses on theoretical criminology, understanding crime, and crime and deviance American law enforcement, and the public’s perception of police, is a topic of growing interest among academics, practitioners, and policymakers. From the 2014 events in Ferguson, MO and the alleged "Ferguson Effect", to the debate over the impact of body worn cameras (BWCs), police militarization, use of force, and other practices that may alter the public’s view of police legitimacy and procedural justice, there is an increasing need for research addressing these contemporary issues in American policing. This book presents the latest research on these topics, as well as related topics noted in the Presidential Task Force on 21st Century Policing, such as police use of technology, transparency, oversight, and building trust with the community. The studies contained in this book examine these issues by
leveraging empirical data on policing, public perceptions, crime, and diverse research methods, to present high-quality analysis of these timely and relevant topics in today’s world. The chapters in this book were originally published as a special issue of the Journal of Crime and Justice.

Criminological Theory: The Essentials sheds light on some of history’s most renowned criminologists and their theories. In addition, policy implications brought about by theoretical perspectives that have developed from recent critical work, together with practical applications, compel the reader to apply theories to the contemporary social milieu.

An anthology of 24 essays on major developments in contemporary criminological theory

Cybercrime, computer crime, Internet crime, and technosecurity have been of increasing concern to citizens, corporations, and governments since their emergence in the 1980s. Addressing both the conventional and radical theories underlying this emerging criminological trend, including feminist theory, social learning theory, and postmodernism, this text paves the way for those who seek to tackle the most pertinent areas in technocrimine.

Technocrime and Criminological Theory challenges readers to confront the conflicts, gaps, and questions faced by both scholars and practitioners in the field. This book serves as an ideal primer for scholars beginning to study technocrime or as a companion for graduate level courses in technocrime or deviance studies.

The new edition of Girls, Delinquency, and Juvenile Justice combines cutting-edge research and expanded coverage of girls’ delinquency, including coverage of girls in gangs and the sexual trafficking of girls, to provide students with an accessible, up-to-date, and globally oriented textbook. Including global perspectives and coverage of cutting-edge research, this is the only textbook to deal exclusively with girls and crime Offers expanded coverage of girls in gangs and emerging literature on the sexual trafficking of girls Pulls together and analyzes all existing literature on the subject of female delinquency Brings to light new research on a wide range of issues, including the conditions of confinement for girls incarcerated in juvenile jails and prisons, Latina girls, and gender responsive programming Explores the moral panic around "violent," "bad," and "mean" girls

An indispensable international resource, The SAGE Handbook of Criminological Theory provides readers with a clear overview of criminological theory, enabling them to reflect critically upon the traditional, emergent and desirable theoretical positions of the discipline. This handbook is essential for libraries and scholars of all levels studying the rapidly developing, interdisciplinary field of criminology.

An eye for an eye, the balance of the scales – for centuries, these and other traditional concepts exemplified the public's perception of justice. Today, popular culture, including television shows like Law and Order, informs the public's vision. But do age-old symbols, portrayals in the media, and existing systems truly represent justice in all of its nuanced forms,
or do we need to think beyond these notions? The second edition of Social Justice: Theories, Issues, and Movements responds to the need for a comprehensive introduction to these issues. Theories of social justice are presented in an accessible fashion to encourage engagement of students, activists, and scholars with these important lines of inquiry. Issues are analyzed utilizing various theories for furthering engagement in possibilities. Struggles for justice -- from legal cases to on the ground movements -- are presented for historical context and to inform the way forward.

This highly acclaimed criminology text presents an up-to-date review and analysis of criminological theories. It incorporates current examples of deterrence research regarding crimes such as domestic violence, drunk driving, and capital punishment, and features thought-provoking discussion of the relativity of crime. The authors explore the crime problem, its context, and the causes of crime. Extensive discussion of evolving laws is included, and while the prevalence of the scientific method in the field of criminology is highlighted, the impact of ideology on explanations of crime is the cornerstone of the book. This new edition includes extensive revision of Chapter 6, now titled "Biosocial Theories of Crime," retaining much of the thoughtful historical discussion of earlier editions, but incorporating a substantial expansion of current biological research integrated with both social and biological variables. In addition, Chapter 10, "Recent Developments in Criminological Theory," offers an expanded treatment of life-course criminology.

A collection of original essays addressing theories of criminal behavior that is written at a level appropriate for undergraduate students. This book offers section introductions that provide a historical background for each theory, key issues that the theory addresses, and a discussion of any controversies generated by the theory.

This book provides the best of both worlds-- authored text sections with carefully selected accompanying readings covering criminological theory from past to present and beyond. The articles, from leading journals in criminology and criminal justice, reflect both classic studies and state-of-the-art research. Key Features " Begins with an introductory chapter that presents a succinct overview of criminological theory, and briefly describes the organization and content of the book " Features 'How to Read a Research Article'--a perfect introduction to understanding how real-world research is organized and delivered in the journal literature " Includes a 'mini-chapter' for each Section, with figures and tables that present basic concepts and provide a background for the Readings that follow " Provides key terms, web resources, and thought-provoking discussion questions for each Section, along with questions for each Reading to help students develop their critical thinking skills " Instructor Resources on CD include a test bank, PowerPoint slides for each section, classroom activities, and more. " A Student study site provides additional articles, self-study quizzes, e-flashcards, and more.

This reader features contributions from the best-known names in criminology today, commenting on modern theories of criminology and how the concept of justice is met (or not met) by our criminal justice system. Based on critical theories of criminology, each author presents a compelling vision of illustrations of the theory and shows how the theoretical framework relates to the nature and structure of our criminal justice system.

In today's globalized society, an international exchange of ideas and views is indispensable within the field of social sciences, including

'Consistently excellent.... The level and coverage of the content make this an invaluable reference for students studying criminology or taking criminal psychology modules at degree level and beyond' - Adam Tocock, Reference Reviews In discussing a criminology topic, lecturers and course textbooks often toss out names of theorists or make a sideways reference to a particular theory and move on, as if assuming their student audience possesses the necessary background to appreciate and integrate the reference. However, university reference librarians can tell you this is often far from the case. Students often approach them seeking a source to provide a quick overview of a particular theory or theorist with just the basics - the who, what, where, how and why, if you will. And reference librarians often find it difficult to guide these students to a quick, one-stop source. In response, SAGE Reference is publishing the two-volume Encyclopedia of Criminological Theory, available in both print and electronic formats. This serves as a reference source for anyone interested in the roots of contemporary criminological theory. Drawing together a team of international scholars, it examines the global landscape of all the key theories and the theorists behind them, presenting them in the context needed to understand their strengths and weaknesses. In addition to interpretations of long-established theories, it also offers essays on cutting-edge research as one might find in a handbook. And, like an unabridged dictionary, it provides concise, to-the-point definitions of key concepts, ideas, schools, and figures. Coverage will include: contexts and concepts in criminological theory the social construction of crime policy implications of theory diversity and intercultural contexts conflict theory rational choice theories conservative criminology feminist theory.

"The Oxford Handbook of White-Collar Crime offers a comprehensive treatment of the most up-to-date theories and research regarding white-collar crime. Contributors tackle a vast range of topics, including the impact of white-collar crime, the contexts in which it occurs, current crime policies and debates, and examinations of the criminals themselves. The volume concludes with a set of essays that discuss potential responses for controlling white-collar crime, as well as promising new avenues for future research,. Uniting conceptual theories, empirical research, and ethnographic data, this Handbook provides the first unified analytic framework on white-collar crime." -- Inside cover

Contemporary Criminological Issues tackles some of today's most pressing social issues, from the criminalization of Indigenous peoples to interpersonal violence, border control, and armed conflicts. This book advances cutting-edge theories and methods, with the aim of moving
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beyond the scholarship that reproduces insecurity and exclusion. The breadth of approaches encompasses much of the current critical

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criminological scholarship, serving as a counterpoint to the growth of managerial and administrative criminologies and the rise of explicitly

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exclusionary and punitive state policies and practices with respect to ‘crime’ and ‘security.’ This edited collection featuring two books, one

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in English and one in French, includes important contributions to knowledge and public policy by eminent experts and emerging scholars.

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This edited collection explores the topic of disclosure of evidence and information in the criminal justice process. The book critically analyses

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the major issues driving the long-standing problem of dysfunctional disclosure practice, with contributions from academics, lawyers, former

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police officers, and current police policymakers. The ultimate objective is to review the key problems at the investigative, trial and post-

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conviction stages of criminal proceedings, and to suggest a way forward through potential routes of reform, both legal and cultural. The

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collection represents a significant and novel contribution to the policy debate regarding disclosure, and advances thought on resolving this

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issue in a fair and sustainable manner. The book provides a valuable resource for academics, practitioners and policymakers working on this

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vital aspect of criminal procedure.

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In the fourth edition of Essential Criminology, authors Mark M. Lanier, Stuart Henry, and Desire .M. Anastasia build upon this best-selling

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critical review of criminology, which has become essential reading for students of criminology in the 21st century. Designed as an alternative

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to overly comprehensive, lengthy, and expensive introductory texts, Essential Criminology is, as its title implies, a concise overview of the

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field. The book guides students through the various definitions of crime and the different ways crime is measured. It then covers the major

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theories of crime, from individual-level, classical, and rational choice to biological, psychological, social learning, social control, and

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interactionist perspectives. In this latest edition, the authors explore the kind of criminology that is needed for the globally interdependent

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twenty-first century. With cutting-edge updates, illustrative real-world examples, and new study tools for students, this text is a necessity for

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both undergraduate and graduate courses in criminology.

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This book is a critical summary and exegesis of the work of Nicole Rafter, who was a leading scholar of the history of biological

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theories of crime causation as well as a profound theorist of the role of history within criminology. It introduces Rafter’s key works

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and assesses her contributions to the fields of feminist criminology, cultural criminology, visual criminology and historical

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criminology. It also explores her theorization of criminology’s identity, scientific status, and possible futures. While many books on

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criminological theory explain and historically contextualize theory, they do not interrogate the production of theory or the

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epistemological assumptions behind it. Drawing on the world of Nicole Rafter, this book offers an accessible handbook to her

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extensive historical studies and to how her work demonstrated the importance of historical theory to criminological knowledge.

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Furthermore, the author brings Rafter’s historical research to life and shows how it speaks to contemporary issues in criminology

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and punishment. Written in a clear and direct style, this book will appeal to students and scholars of criminological theory,

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intellectual history, sociology, comparative criminology, and feminist criminology.

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Offering a rich introduction to how scholars analyze crime, this Fifth Edition of the authors’ clear, accessible text moves readers

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beyond often-mistaken common sense knowledge of crime to a deeper understanding of the importance of theory in shaping crime
control policies. This thoroughly revised edition covers traditional and contemporary theory within a larger sociological and historical context and now includes new sources that assess the empirical status of the major theories, as well as updated coverage of crime control policies and their connection to criminological theory.

Includes key terms, test Questions, and instructor tips. What do YOU think? How did criminal justice higher education evolve? Will sons of career criminals inevitably become criminals, too? Is it basically impossible to avoid? What is one of the most surprising tools that has successfully helped inmates? Why is the CSI Effect making police investigations harder? How does criminological theory relate to a students use of Facebook? Is an academic degree actually important if you're going to be a police officer? Is a correctional facility a valuable benefit or a dangerous liability to a community? Why do many college students engage in risky sexual behavior? Criminal justice researches provide students with tools they will use to begin a scholarly search for the answers. This book offers a critical introduction to trends and developments in contemporary criminological theory. Designed both as a companion to An Introduction to Criminological Theory – also by Roger Hopkins Burke and published by Routledge – and as a standalone advanced textbook, it develops themes introduced previously in more detail, incorporates new critical and radical concepts and explores cutting-edge advances in theory. Key topics include the following: • Constitutive, anarchist, green and species, bio-critical, cultural, abolitionist and convict criminologies • Globalization and organized crime • Southern theory • Critical race theory • Terrorism and state violence • Gender, feminism and masculinity • Ultra-realism • Radical moral communitarianism

These key issues are discussed in the context of debates about the fragmentation of modernity and the postmodern condition; the rise of political populism, risk, surveillance and social control, and speculation about living in post-COVID-19 society and the future of neoliberalism. Written in a clear and direct style, this book will appeal to both undergraduate and postgraduate students of criminology, sociology and politics and is essential reading for advanced students of criminology looking for a way to engage with contemporary themes and concepts in theory.

This reader covers several of the seminal articles written about theories of crime as it relates to human developmental and biological issues. As an emerging market and a very hot topic in criminology theory, the life-course approach builds on recent trends in psychology and sociology, thus answering the growing desire for integrated theories. The authors of this reader have created a "greatest hits" of life-course from the biggest life-course luminaries. The authors have prepared extensive introductions to provide context for each article.

Edited by ASC President Todd Clear along with Natasha Frost and Joshua Freilich, CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY is an outstanding new anthology of policy-focused essays ideal for stimulating policy discussions and debates in the classroom. Featuring all 23 policy proposals and 30 response essays presented at the American Society of Criminology's 2009 annual meeting, this collection includes essays by some of the leading criminologists in the field. This thought-provoking text presents sections on justice policy, drug policy, terrorism policy, immigration policy, policing policy, juvenile justice policy, and corrections policy. The book's concise format makes it an invaluable resource for those wanting to incorporate policy into their
criminology and criminal justice curricula. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

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