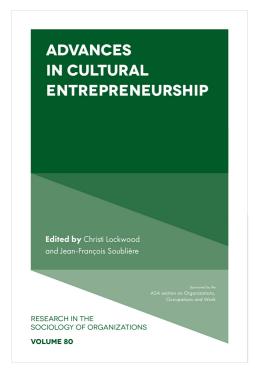


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Advances in Cultural Entrepreneurship

Research in the Sociology of Organizations, Volume 80

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Synopsis

United under the "cultural entrepreneurship" label, scholars have emphasized how entrepreneurship, strategic innovation, and organizational change are fundamentally cultural undertakings. Extant work in this vein has revealed how actors harness elements from their cultural milieu to secure the support of valued audiences, or undertake more profound changes to foster a cultural environment supportive of their endeavours. This volume aims to expand the agenda of cultural entrepreneurship research by celebrating (and advocating for) two promising advances.

Section A aims to put *culture* in cultural entrepreneurship research. Early research identified storytelling as a first mechanism by which actors could gain audience support. More recently, however, scholars have grown interested in understanding additional manifestations of culture and modes of meaning-making. Moving in this fruitful direction, this section includes chapters that explore the multiple views on culture in cultural entrepreneurship research, and the multi-faceted ways by which culture shapes and is shaped by entrepreneurial action.

Section B seeks to take cultural entrepreneurship beyond *entrepreneurship*. Early cultural entrepreneurship research has been predominantly confined to – and sometimes equated with – the study of new venture legitimation and resource acquisition. Making progress towards broadening the scope of what cultural entrepreneurship entails and can explain, this section encompasses theoretical and empirical investigations in a wide variety of empirical settings, illuminating how actors effect a range of outcomes.

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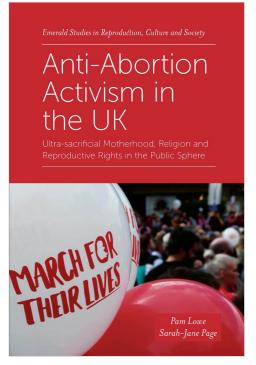
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Anti-Abortion Activism in the UK: Ultra-sacrificial Motherhood, Religion and Reproductive Rights in the Public Sphere

Emerald Studies in Reproduction, Culture and Society

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Synopsis

Drawing from extensive ethnographic research on abortion debates in public spaces, this book explores the beliefs, motivations and practices of UK anti-abortion activists. Whilst they represent a tiny minority, there is recent evidence of an increase in activism outside UK abortion clinics; faith-based groups regularly organise 'vigils' seeking to deter service users from entering clinics. In response to this, pro-choice groups launched a campaign for buffer-zones around clinics. Although there is overwhelming public support for abortion, it remains an area of public contestation that touches on ideas about bodily autonomy, religious freedom and reproductive rights. Despite being active in the UK since before the 1967 Abortion Act, anti-abortion activism has received little attention.

Taking a lived religion approach, *Anti-Abortion Activism in the UK* explores the sacred and profane commitments of anti-abortion activists and counter-demonstrations outside clinics, examining the contestations over space. The authors argue that as a moral reform social movement, the anti-abortion activists typically frame their activism in terms of risk and abortion harm, but their religiously-informed understanding of ultra-sacrificial motherhood as 'natural' for women undermines this framing. Their conservative gender and sexuality attitudes position them culturally as a moral minority. The displays of public religion are also anomalous in a country in which religion is usually seen as a private issue. Their presence outside abortion clinics causes a significant amount of distress, but public support for the establishment of safe zones outside of abortion-service provision is strong and is a proportionate response to safeguard the freedoms of those seeking abortion.

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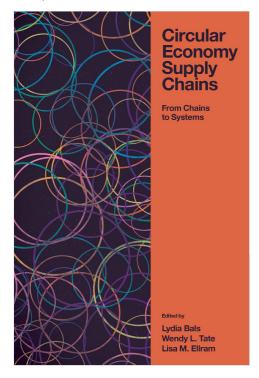
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Economics



Circular Economy Supply Chains: From Chains to Systems

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Synopsis

A circular economy perspective embraces a notion that we design everything to be reused for as long as possible, and then recaptured and repurposed when reuse is no longer possible. Designing for a circular economy ecosystem requires a more holistic, integrative viewpoint, spanning all aspects of design and development and considering many supply chain actors, far beyond that of traditional supply chains.

Circular Economy Supply Chains highlights the need for cross-industry flows and the need for different actors (beyond producers and consumers) in circular value cycles. While biomimicry provides the structure for organizing the book, individual chapters build on other theoretical lenses and concepts, such as stakeholder theory. This book intends to move beyond a buyer-supplier view, embracing a holistic network or ecosystem view, to consider a cross-industry system perspective, where there is a diversity of actors needed for a working ecosystem.

This edited book offers a comprehensive overview of system components and actors, including how the circular economy adds value, the role of producers and consumers, the spectrum of recovery possibilities to return products back to the consumption supply chain, and the essential role of information management.

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Tourism & hospitality

Contemporary Research Methods in Hospitality and Tourism

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Contemporary Research Methods in Hospitality and Tourism

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Synopsis

The hospitality and tourism industry is one of the fastest growing industries worldwide, with a contribution of 9% to world GDP and 10% of job creation. The fast pace of growth in this industry highlights the importance of applied and pure research studies to address the theoretical and practical problems which the industry faces daily from economic, social, cultural, environmental, political, and technological perspectives. New understanding of both new and traditional research paradigms in the context of tourism and hospitality is vital to strengthen the research culture and find more accurate and reliable solutions for emerging problems.

Contemporary Research Methods in Hospitality and Tourism delivers a comprehensive collection of chapters including new insights for traditional paradigms, approaches, and methods, as well as more recent developments in research methodology in the context of tourism and hospitality. Each chapter connects the discussed approach or method to tourism and hospitality with providing illustration examples. This volume provides an essential resource for academics, undergraduate and graduate researchers, libraries, executives, and practitioners to understand different aspects of research methodology.

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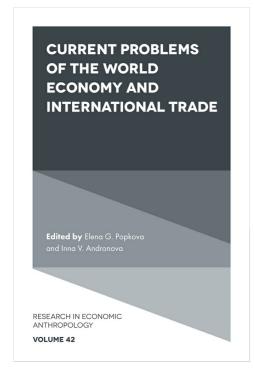
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Economics



Current Problems of the World Economy and International Trade

Research in Economic Anthropology, Volume 42

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Synopsis

Volume 42 of *Research in Economic Anthropology* focuses on systemic coverage, critical rethinking, and scientific analysis of the current problems facing the world economy and international trade aiming to provide a scientific basis for learning from the COVID-19 pandemic for the global economy and international trade.

Current Problems of the World Economy and International Trade begins by reflecting the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing crisis for the global economy and international trade. The volume then reveals the prospects for the post-pandemic recovery of the world economy and the crisis management of international trade. Throughout, there are case studies from various countries, in particular the experience of China, Pakistan, Russia, Spain, Germany, Turkey, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, India, and the OECD.

Current Problems of the World Economy and International Trade reveals the determinants of competitiveness and drivers of economic growth of individual countries provides useful applied advice on post-crisis recovery and the development of the world economy and international trade in the post-pandemic period.

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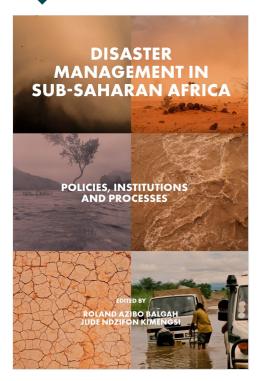
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Public policy & environmental management



Disaster Management in Sub-Saharan Africa: Policies, Institutions and Processes

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Synopsis

The global escalation of natural and human-induced disasters, and their future predicted occurrence is extremely worrying, especially in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). In addition to summarizing global disaster management frameworks, this book discusses the African Union's strategy for disaster risk reduction (AU-DRR), including country-specific cases, and explores the extent to which national policies resonate with AU-DRR.

By combining reviews with empirical evidence, the chapters provide an in-depth analysis of disaster policy processes, institutions and arrangements in SSA, situating the sub-continent within overarching global and African instruments such as the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, and the African Union's Disaster Risk Reduction strategy. The book further provides novel insights which can enhance understanding of disaster risk reduction in Africa from a policy perspective.

A combined analysis of all the chapters provides an interesting summary and information for creating disaster management policies for improved results in SSA. With an extensive glossary of terms and index, the book lends itself to specialized academics and students, but also to disaster management policy makers and practitioners and the occasional user.

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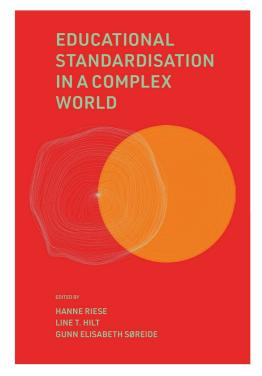
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Education



Educational Standardisation in a Complex World

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Synopsis

Policy makers tend to deal with future risks by increasing the *standardisation* of national educational systems, a process supported by global educational policy ideas, quality assurance mechanisms and governing instruments and practices. This book presents the reader with tools to challenge accepted ideas about the standardising forces transforming educational reality, by discussing standards and standardisation from a range of different theoretical perspectives and contexts and posing questions such as: Why do we think about education through the lenses of standards? What are the assumed conditions underpinning the idea of standards?

Organised into three sections, the historical, theoretical, and philosophical discussions in the first and third sections of the book underscore how educational standards as a phenomenon can be understood in a variety of ways, giving readers insight in to the ambiguous and situated aspects of the phenomenon. Six case studies in the middle section provide an international approach to the study of standards, illuminating how standards simultaneously represent a global and a context specific phenomenon.

Across the diversity of theoretical and empirical writings, the book not only provide readers with insight but also broadens the scope of future empirical analyses of the historical, political, and social embeddedness of standards in education.

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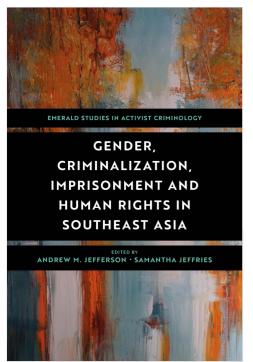
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Gender, Criminalization, Imprisonment and Human Rights in Southeast Asia Emerald Studies in Activist Criminology

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Synopsis

This volume contains two Open Access Chapters.

Gender, Criminalization, Imprisonment and Human Rights in Southeast Asia features contributions from activist scholars grappling to understand and alleviate the compound sufferings of women and LGBTIQA+ persons as they encounter Southeast Asian criminal justice systems. The collection demonstrates that it is critical that the drivers of gendered harms and the way gendered needs intersect with other inequalities are better understood and adequately reflected in law, policy and practice.

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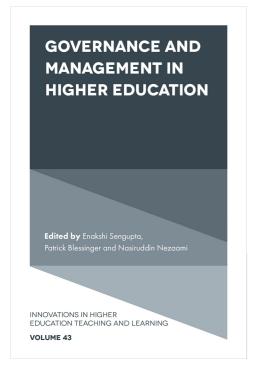






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Governance and Management in Higher Education

Innovations in Higher Education Teaching and Learning, Volume 43

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Synopsis

Autonomy in governance and management in education has become the prerogative of higher education institutions, whilst optimum allocation and use of resources have become the aim of all higher education institutions. This book volume explores the creation of knowledge and its dissemination in an appropriate manner so as to create a significant impact in society. The chapter authors talk about the highly competitive education market and the transformation it has undergone. Authors from across the globe have suggested interventions that will help in sustainable growth of universities while maintaining and enhancing their quality standards. The chapters present a better understanding of a philosophy of management, society, development and education.

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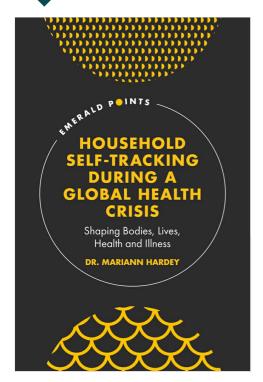
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Health & social care



Household Self-Tracking During a Global Health Crisis: Shaping Bodies, Lives, Health and Illness

Emerald Points

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Synopsis

Self-tracking is a rapidly growing area of study and will play an important role in the future of how we understand health change and responsibility. Understanding the personal and social dimensions of tracking within households improves our understanding of health consumption and knowledge, particularly during significant global crises. Ignoring the household context of health or focusing solely on individual tracking behaviour is no longer an option.

Household Self-Tracking During a Global Health Crisis provides a comprehensive and straightforward account of deeper health narratives managed through data tracking within households formed during a global health crisis. The book examines the contextual, personal, and social factors surrounding health tracking, including the commercialization of Covid19 health tracking, public data tracking, and health-surveillance issues, from a social science perspective. Inequalities in health, as well as expanded concepts of fitness and illness management, are highlighted as part of a significant shift in how we understand and integrate home health regimes, and how this is made possible by the incorporation of household biometric data tracking.

Household Self-Tracking During a Global Health Crisis will assist researchers interested in self-tracking and health technologies, as well as postgraduate students studying psychology, medicine, social science, and business. Hardey explores several personal insights as well as research which may be unfamiliar to some social scientists, helping situate new perspectives and understanding.

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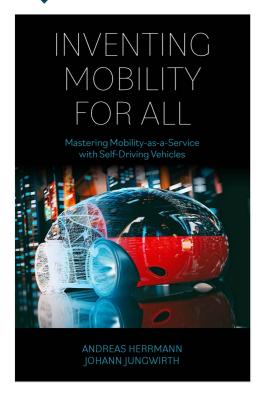
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Transport



Inventing Mobility for All: Mastering Mobility-as-a-Service with Self-Driving Vehicles

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Synopsis

Inventing Mobility For All: Mastering Mobility-as-a-Service with Self-Driving Vehicles explores 'Mobility-as-a-Service' and explains the impact of this mobility concept on social and societal life, as well as on global travel behaviours. In this volume, Andreas Herrmann and Johann Jungwirth powerfully illustrate that mobility is a fundamental human right that can best be fulfilled with new autonomous vehicle development and use, showcasing how these forms of mobility will improve accessibility for the disabled, aid protection for the environment and to open how we design our cities in completely new ways.

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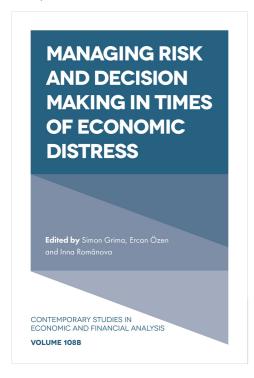
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Accounting & finance



Managing Risk and Decision Making in Times of Economic Distress

Contemporary Studies in Economic and Financial Analysis, Volume V108, Part B

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Synopsis

Managing Risk and Decision Making in Times of Economic Distress: Part B adds much needed scholarly analysis of the fledgling decision/control approach, arguing the merits of its empirical content to shed light on the structure of capital contracts and rationale for diversity of objectives.

Underpinning the book's central arguments are questions surrounding the identification and realisation of opportunities during periods of distress or disruption. Although such questions have been the focus of corporate finance, risk management, and financial management studies and literature, within the context of COVID-19 gaps remain unresolved.

Continuity should be a proactive living plan to return to the norm we know, and continuity planning forms an integral part of a risk management strategy. With the future set to be shaped by these many disruptions and humanity's responses to it, critical insights are more important than ever, to ensure and determine progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals and recovering from these economic and social challenges.

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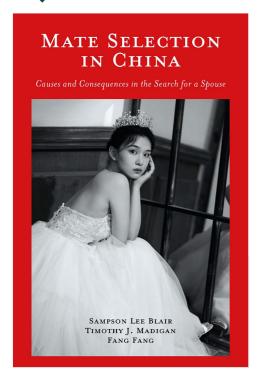
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Mate Selection in China: Causes and Consequences in the Search for a Spouse

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Synopsis

In the context of dramatically changing contemporary patterns of mate selection in China, *Mate Selection in China* focuses upon both the causes and consequences the societal changes which have resulted in a considerable shift in the ways in which young adults go about finding a spouse.

Tracking a period of change, from a long history of patriarchal families and arranged marriages, into an environment wherein individuals are relatively free to choose their intimate partners, Blair, Madison and Fang demonstrate and analyse how recent shifts in divorce, cohabitation, and pre-marital sex have altered young adults' perceptions of marriage. Delving into demographic factors, such as the skewed sex ratio among young adults which have resulted in an overabundance of young males, cultural factors, such as increasingly individualistic forms of dating, and social and economic change which has resulted an increasingly materialistic middle-class, this book highlights that while traditional influence of parents in the selection of partners for their children has been overtaken, mate selection choices are not entirely made by the individuals themselves.

Providing a comprehensive examination of mate selection within an ever-changing context, this book is a fascinating read for scholars interested in the impact of culture of family and marriage.

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A Transformation of Geopolitics

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Synopsis

Asia is at a geopolitical crossroads. After China launched its ambitious Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) in 2013, Japan and the United States responded with the November 2017 promulgation of the Free and Open Indo-Pacific (FOIP) Strategy. Perhaps not surprisingly, these two initiatives share some common features, and two of these - their ambiguity and their competitiveness - seem to be crucial in the foreign policy evaluation process. Competition leads to ambiguity, which makes reactions, and responses in foreign policy more and more difficult. *Middle-Power Responses to China's BRI and America's Indo-Pacific Strategy* addresses that gap.

Starting from the insight that neither the BRI nor the FOIP exists in isolation, and drawing on the knowledge that when either China or the United States sneezes, it is often the less powerful geopolitical players that catch the worst colds, the chapters gathered herein examine how the US-China geopolitical competition affects nations as diverse as Taiwan, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and the member states of ASEAN. These insights are provided by an international, multidisciplinary group of leading experts that include military flag officers, academic researchers, current and former government officials, and retired diplomats, all of whom contribute to a well-rounded, multifaceted view of the transformation that is currently taking place in the geopolitics of the Asia-Pacific.

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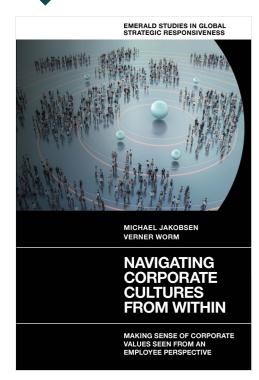
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Strategy



Navigating Corporate Cultures From Within: Making Sense of Corporate Values Seen From an Employee Perspective Emerald Studies in Global Strategic Responsiveness

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Synopsis

Navigating Corporate Cultures From Within offers a unique perspective on the management of headquarter-subsidiary-host market relationships with important insights on how to align corporate values with a localized mindset among culturally diverse employees and across a global enterprise.

The shared norms and values that constitute a specific cultural setting supposedly create a common background for using a collective 'we' when referring to every individual employee in the organization. Yet, company values are engineered over time, are molded, and redesigned to match ongoing changes in both the external and internal environment, and their aim is to make the organization adapt faster to changing market conditions, globally as well as in local host markets.

This study takes a closer look at the dynamic process of cultural renewal in a complex multinational organization with a particular focus on the role assumed by the individual employees. This is an entirely new way of looking at the effects of important corporate values where a common approach previously has been to look at organizational culture from a confined top management perspective. The findings in this book will be essential to the management of multinational enterprises.

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Organizing for Societal Grand Challenges

Research in the Sociology of Organizations, Volume 79

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Synopsis

The ebook edition of this title is Open Access and freely available to read online.

Societal grand challenges have moved from a marginal concern to a mainstream issue within the field of organization and management studies. *Organizing for Societal Grand Challenges* unpacks how diverse forms of organizing help tackle - or reinforce - grand challenges, while emphasizing the need for researchers to expand their methodological repertoire and reflect upon scholarly practices.

This edited collection offers an organizational perspective on societal grand challenges in three sections: Diverse Forms of Organizing and Societal Grand Challenges; Scholarship and Societal Grand Challenges; Reflections and Outlook. The articles offer empirical and conceptual work that focus on a wide variety of regions including Africa, Asia, Europe, and South America, and engage with multiple grand challenges, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, decent work, hunger, inequality, and poverty.

Drawing on varied theoretical lenses, the authors take stock of recent developments in the literature, present an overview of the current thinking, and set a foundation for future research on grand challenges in organization and management studies. The articles provide inspiration, insights, and instruments for developing timely and relevant knowledge to engage with the pressing societal grand challenges of our time.

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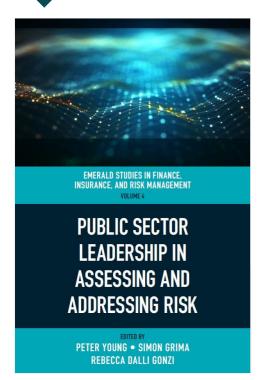
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Public Sector Leadership in Assessing and Addressing Risk

Emerald Studies in Finance, Insurance, and Risk Management, Volume 4

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Synopsis

Public Sector Leadership in Assessing and Addressing Risk explores risk management in practice, taking a specific focus on the identification of risks in the European public sector while contextualising its Eurocentric analysis within a global setting.

The volume lays important groundwork for understanding the main philosophical premises of risk management. Navigating the text's philosophical underpinnings such as 'Risk Management is a misnomer', the editors provide deep insight into global, strategic, and operational risk management that will prove invaluable for any practitioner.

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Radical Business: How to Transform Your Organization in the Age of Global Crisis

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Synopsis

In 1954 Peter Drucker said the purpose of a business is to create a customer, a straightforward proposition from a simpler time. But today's world is vastly different due to converging crises. From now on, businesses must transition from being makers of goods to being a force for good, creating meaningful value as measured by the positive impact they could offer all of society, not just customers.

Each day C-suite leaders and executive teams straddle the tension between fulfilling their business's strategic purpose while also delivering short-term results. The model of business as a creator of customers and producer of profits biases decisions toward short-term results, preventing these leaders from making the significant changes required for their business to create purposeful value that contributes positively to the world.

Radical Business will show how C-suite leaders and executive teams can boldly reimagine and rearchitect their businesses to bring about the change required to help the world address perpetual simultaneous crises, becoming a force for good.

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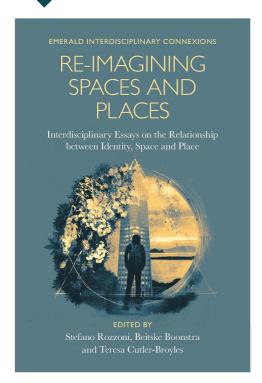
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Re-Imagining Spaces and Places: Interdisciplinary Essays on the Relationship between Identity, Space, and Place Emerald Interdisciplinary Connexions

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Synopsis

While 'space' and 'place' appear as key concepts in the study of culture, their complexity and mutability require ever-new frameworks when approaching them critically. Including chapters by authors from different fields, career stages, and geopolitical backgrounds, the contributors in this edited collection scrutinize the changing dynamics of space and place in relation to current political, social, and environmental urgencies across the globe.

With chapters investigating both real and imaginary spaces and places, the diversified discussions included in this collection provide a cohesive study for disclosing latent understandings of multiple phenomena characterizing the world in which we live. From the protests in Egyptian and Turkish squares, to the power-related narratives embedded in institutional buildings, from the development of the commercial arena in Victorian and Edwardian London, to the effects of current environmental concerns on the evaluation of urban and rural locations, the volume ultimately serves as a progressive connection of fields, minds, and outlooks through an innovative, pluralistic vision.

This interdisciplinary focus not only emphasizes the centrality of spaces and places when disentangling the complexities comprising our past and present, but also suggests a more pluralistic approach for exploring fundamental concepts in future spaces and places studies

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Reproductive Governance and Bodily Materiality: Flesh, Technologies, and Knowledge Emerald Studies in Reproduction, Culture and Society

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Synopsis

Reproductive Governance and Bodily Materiality explores the growing centrality and power of the medical professional and lay practices within the field of human reproduction as they entangle with political economic processes, providing examples from multiple countries.

Throughout the collection the authors address the issues of abortion, sterilization, 'natural' childbirth, breastfeeding, surrogacy, pregnancy loss, IVF, disability and parenting, whilst focusing both on the mechanisms through which reproductive behaviours are shaped and controlled, and on the socially and culturally constructed bodies' materiality. The chapters analyse how reproductive governances are inherently attached to different social life aspects, such as gender, industry, and religion, residing within complex political domains and how these features are embodied through practices, care, rituals, and gestures. Rather than assuming corporeal materiality - the 'flesh' - as something stable and pre-given, this collection shows how different bodies are defined and shaped by local biologies, institutional practices and reproductive subjects inside and outside the Euro-American space.

This is essential reading for researchers of social, cultural and medical anthropology, sociology, and education.

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South Africa's Democracy at the Crossroads

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Synopsis

Since the first elections of 1994, the South African constitution officially guarantees and promotes a wide range of political and civil rights and institutionalizes the separation of powers with an independent judiciary. This has made South Africa a political symbol of change, hope and democracy in Africa and around the world. However, since the introduction of free and fair electoral processes and with ANC dominating the presidency and the parliamentary seats, the political scene has been scattered by democratic challenges. South Africa remains a flawed democracy, combining free elections and respect for basic civil liberties with problems of governance, an underdeveloped political culture, and low levels of public participation.

Today, South Africa stands at a crossroads. While the constitutional democracy has survived, South African democracy seems to have weakened by state capture, internal ANC implosion, corruption, societal polarization, social exclusion, xenophobia, and threats of state economic bankruptcy. South Africa faces growing discontent symbolized in intensified societal and political debates, protests and demonstrations providing for the question if this is a sign of dissatisfied citizens demanding deeper democracy or activities questioning the established constitutional democracy from an anti-democratic, populist, and radical point of view.

South Africa's Democracy at the Crossroads explores the question; what are the challenges to future democratization in South Africa?

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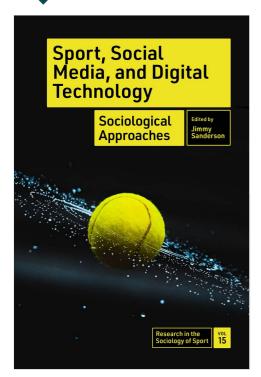
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Sport, Social Media, and Digital Technology: Sociological Approaches

Research in the Sociology of Sport, Volume 15

Editor

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Synopsis

Social media and digital technologies have become significant forces in the sport industry. From athletes and fans interacting via social media and video games, sport organizations integrating these technologies into marketing and public relations functions, to coaches and athletic trainers using digital technology to monitor athletes' biometric information, these technologies are pervasive in sport. However, the literature at the intersection of sport and social and digital media lies almost exclusively in the domain of marketing and management. While these technologies are often championed for the benefits they offer in these functional areas, the effects and outcomes of these technologies have impacts on athletes, fans, and other society that warrant further attention.

This volume brings together a collection of essays from leading global scholars working in diverse areas as sport sociology, sport management, sport media, and sport communication to illustrate how sociological approaches are imperative to enhancing our understanding of sport and social media and digital technology. Within this volume, scholars address topics such as gender, sexuality, racism, identity, politics, mental health, and surveillance and outline how sociological approaches to these topics offer important analyses that further our understanding of the comprehensive effects of social media and digital technology on sport stakeholders.

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Sustainability Management Strategies and Impact in Developing Countries Community Environment and Disaster Bisk

Community, Environment and Disaster Risk Management, Volume 26

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Synopsis

There has been increasing concern over the impacts of 21st century challenges, be it on environmental, social, and economic aspect. Rapid development, a global health pandemic and climate change are just some of the monumental challenges affecting us. While the foundation of knowledge surrounding these impacts is continuously expanding, the adaption of sustainability concepts is not yet established especially in developing countries. Sustainability Management Strategies and Impact in Developing Countries emphasizes on the research of sustainability management and strategies in developing countries.

Covering topics on sustainability management in construction, education and in social behaviour, this 26th volume of the *Community, Environment and Disaster Risk Management* presents the importance of sustainability concepts as a vital element in development. Reviewing sustainable construction management including green schemes, industrial safety, adaptable frameworks, and policies from countries such as Malaysia, Vietnam and Nigeria, *Sustainability Management Strategies and Impact in Developing Countries* provides information to the public, researchers, planners, and stakeholders dealing with sustainability management and strategies, particularly for developing and emerging economic countries.

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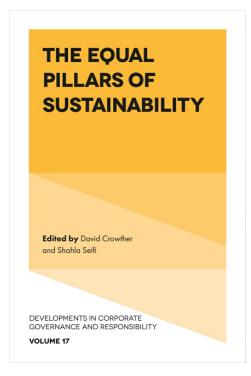
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The Equal Pillars of Sustainability

Developments in Corporate Governance and Responsibility, Volume 17

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Synopsis

The three pillars of sustainability – Environmental protection, Social sustainability, and Economic sustainability – are well known since the Brunndtland Commission report. However, these pillars are meant to be approached and treated as equal counterparts, yet this rarely happens as individuals, corporations, businesses, and institutions will weight one pillar with more importance than the others.

The Equal Pillars of Sustainability works to redress this problem and to look at what action is taken or might be taken to achieve equality. It is investigated whether this equality can be achieved in all circumstances or what alternatives need to be considered. It might be argued that Brundtland was wrong, and these three pillars are not the centrepiece of sustainable development. In this book we consider these views and actions to arrive at a view which will inform debate and guide future action.

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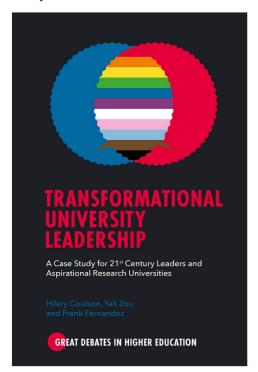
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Education



Transformational University Leadership: A Case Study for 21st Century Leaders and Aspirational Research Universities

Great Debates in Higher Education

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Synopsis

Universities are facing budget crises and growing competition, with many leaders clinging to older methods of leadership. This results in institutions with unprecedented deficits, decreased enrolments, and low graduation rates. What tools are necessary to succeed in the ever-changing and diversifying higher education market? In this book, the authors provide a model for leading universities in rapidly changing environments. Using the University of Houston as their case study, examining the institution's explosive growth under the transformative leadership of President Renu Khator and her team. The President's success in the realms of fundraising, organizational architecture, development, crisis management, and building campus culture are all facets of a revolutionary leadership model that can be replicated as a new style of academic governance. *Transformational University Leadership* presents a model of leadership for higher education institutions in the 21st century.

With a special focus on gender and culture, the authors explore the leadership tactics and strategies university presidents use to uplift the University from a regional campus to a tier 1 research powerhouse. Offering strategies, anecdotes, and transferable methods for university leaders seeking to elevate their institution and thrive in the 21st century academic market.

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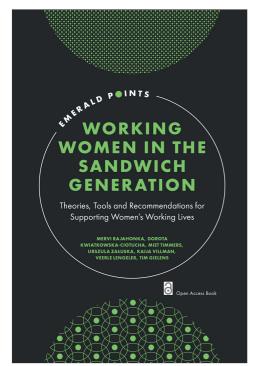




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Working Women in the Sandwich Generation: Theories, Tools and Recommendations for Supporting Women's Working Lives

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Synopsis

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Women more often than men take care of their ageing relatives together with their own children or grandchildren. These Sandwich Generation (SG) women constitute an expanding vulnerable group on the labour market at higher risk of discrimination, work-family conflict, burnout, and withdrawal from the labour market and unemployment. Working Women in the Sandwich Generation helps present a clearer view of how to support this group both now and in the future.

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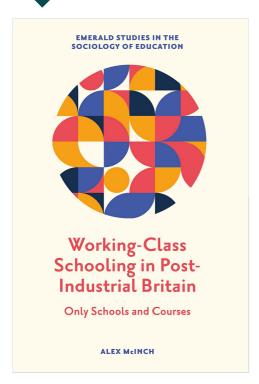
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Education



Working-Class Schooling in Post-Industrial Britain: Only Schools and Courses Emerald Studies in the Sociology of Education

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Synopsis

Providing a historical development of the UK education system and its policies, Alex McInch offers insight on how structural decisions impact on how working-class pupils view and navigate the educational field. This ethnographic investigation explores topics such as compensatory educational policies, including Free School Meals, and how these attempt to close the attainment gap between the working and middle classes.

This timely book is a welcome addition to the current literature on working-class schooling in the UK and comes at a time when British society has never been more divided on a number of social issues. The landmark theories of French Socio-Philosopher Pierre Bourdieu provide a fitting framework in which to understand how young working-class people currently orientate towards education in post-industrial Britain.

Also presenting thought provoking arguments on how we need to think differently about social class in the UK, rather than using current reductionist models, this book is of interest to anyone currently working in policy, academia or education with an interest in social inequality and its supplementary effects.

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