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CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

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HANDBOOK OF SOCIAL THEORY

SAGE The Handbook of Social Theory presents an authoritative and panoramic critical survey of the development, achievement and prospects of social theory.

CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

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THE MCDONALDIZATION OF SOCIETY

INTO THE DIGITAL AGE

SAGE Publications The book that made “McDonaldization” part of the lexicon of contemporary sociological theory, read by hundreds of thousands of students, is now in its Tenth Edition! George Ritzer’s seminal work of critical sociology, The McDonaldization of Society, continues to stand as one of the pillars of modern sociological thought. Building on the argument that the fast food restaurant has become the model for the rationalization process today, this book links theory to contemporary life in a globalized world. Ritzer opens our eyes to many current issues and shows how McDonaldization’s principles—efficiency, calculability, predictability, and control—have been applied to other sectors of American society and throughout the world. This new edition continues to shift its focus to how we experience McDonaldization online, the new locus of production and consumption in the digital age.

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

SAGE Publications This Fourth Edition of George Ritzer’s Introduction to Sociology shows students the relevance of sociology to their lives. While providing a rock-solid foundation, Ritzer illuminates traditional sociological concepts and theories, as well as some of the most compelling contemporary social phenomena: globalization, consumer culture, the digital world, and the “McDonaldization” of society. With examples on every page from current events and contemporary research, and stories about “public” sociologists who are engaging with the critical issues of today, the text demonstrates the power of sociology to explain the world, and the diversity of questions that sociologists seek to answer. New to this Edition New “Trending” boxes focus on influential books written by sociologists that have become part of the public conversation about important issues. Replacing “Public Sociology” boxes, these boxes demonstrate the diversity of sociology’s practitioners, methods, and subject matter, and feature such authors as: Michelle Alexander (The New Jim Crow) Elizabeth Armstrong and Laura Hamilton (Paying for the Party) Randol Contreras (The Stick-Up Kids) Matthew Desmond (Evicted) Kimberly Hoang (Dealing in Desire) Arlie Hochschild (Strangers in Their Own Land) Eric Klinenberg (Going Solo) C.J. Pascoe (Dude, You’re a Fag) Lori Peek and Alice Fothergill (Children of Katrina) Allison Pugh (The

Tumbleweed Society) Updated examples in the text and "Digital Living" boxes keep pace with changes in digital technology and online practices, including Uber, bitcoin, net neutrality, digital privacy, WikiLeaks, and cyberactivism. New or updated subjects apply sociological thinking to the latest issues including: the 2016 U.S. election Brexit the global growth of ISIS climate change President Trump's proposed Mexican border wall further segmentation of wealthy Americans in the "super rich" transgender people in the U.S. armed forces charter schools the legalization of marijuana the Flint water crisis fourth-wave feminism

THE WILEY-BLACKWELL COMPANION TO SOCIOLOGY

John Wiley & Sons Featuring a collection of original chapters by leading and emerging scholars, The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Sociology presents a comprehensive and balanced overview of the major topics and emerging trends in the discipline of sociology today. Features original chapters contributed by an international cast of leading and emerging sociology scholars Represents the most innovative and 'state-of-the-art' thinking about the discipline Includes a general introduction and section introductions with chapters summaries by the editor

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EXPLORATIONS IN SOCIAL THEORY

FROM METATHEORIZING TO RATIONALIZATION

SAGE George Ritzer is one of the leading social and cultural commentators of the present day. In this essential new book he considers some of the main tendencies in contemporary social theory. Included here are Ritzer's latest reflections on the uses and misuses of metatheory. According to Ritzer, sociology is a multiparadigm science. The differences and intensities of rivalries between paradigms are often very confusing for students and even for professional sociologists. This book seeks to find a way out of the confusion by sketching out the lineaments of a new integrated sociological paradigm and demonstrates how this paradigm can be applied. It shows the various ways in which Ritzer has developed rationalization theory to shed light on professional integration, the shape of consumer culture, hyperrationality and the state of sociology today.

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Pine Forge Press 'This book has been a fabulous success with students because it combines elements of critical social theory, readability... and popular culture' - Charles Frederick, Jr., Indiana University One of the most noteworthy and popular sociology books of all time, The McDonaldization of Society demonstrates the power of the sociological imagination to today's readers in a way that few books have been able to do. Key Features of the new edition: - brand new chapter examining the Starbucks phenomenon and its relationship to McDonaldization - updated examples of McDonaldization, including online dating services (e.g. match.com), Viagra, MDMA (ecstasy), text-messaging, Ikea, and megachurches - an increased focus on globalization, including an examination into the relationship between McDonaldization and the environment

ESSENTIALS OF SOCIOLOGY

SAGE Publications Essentials of Sociology, adapted from George Ritzer's Introduction to Sociology, provides the same rock-solid foundation from one of sociology's best-known thinkers in a shorter and more streamlined format. With new co-author Wendy Wiedenhof Murphy, the Third Edition continues to illuminate traditional sociological concepts and theories and focuses on some of the most compelling features of contemporary social life: globalization, consumer culture, the internet, and the "McDonaldization" of society. New to this Edition New "Trending" boxes focus on influential books by sociologists that have become part of the public conversation about important issues. Replacing "Public Sociology" boxes, this feature demonstrates the diversity of sociology's practitioners, methods, and

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THE MCDONALDIZATION OF SOCIETY

AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE CHANGING CHARACTER OF CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL LIFE

One of the most noteworthy and popular sociology books of all time, The McDonaldization of Society demonstrates the power of the sociological imagination to today's readers in a way that few books have been able to do. It is ideal for use in a wide range of undergraduate courses and will be of equal interest to anyone interested in social criticism. This book links a large number of social phenomena to McDonaldization, some which are directly affected by the principles of the fast-food restaurant and others where the effect is more indirect.

METATHEORIZING

SAGE Publications, Incorporated Metatheorizing has come of age in sociology and other social science fields, forming the backdrop for serious intellectual debates over agency and structure, micro and macro level analysis, positivism and interpretivism, modernist and postmodernist thought. These debates are highlighted in this focused collection of essays. Contributors are among the leading figures in sociological theory - and represent a wide array of theoretical 'camps'. Many of the debates in sociological theory are carried forward in the book. Collectively the contributors point out the importance of building overarching theoretical models and suggest new directions for metatheoretical work.

THE GLOBALIZATION OF NOTHING 2

SAGE The Globalization of Nothing is back in a revised and completely updated Second Edition. In this reconceptualized volume, author George Ritzer focuses his attention squarely on the processes of globalization and how they relate to McDonaldization. This revision is shorter, more concise, and spends much less space on the Nothing-Something continuum that he introduced in the First Edition.

ENCHANTING A DISENCHANTED WORLD

REVOLUTIONIZING THE MEANS OF CONSUMPTION

Pine Forge Press Enchanting a Disenchanted World is a unique analysis of the world of consumption, examining how we are different consumers now, than we were in the past. The Second Edition includes: a new chapter on the 'landscapes of consumption'; a new section devoted to the historical importance of the early Parisian arcades and to the thinking of the important social theorist, Walter Benjamin, on these sites; and, discussion of Disney's upcoming theme park in Hong Kong, the new Queen Mary II, the soon-to-be completed casino resort Wynn Las Vegas and many more

HANDBOOK OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS

A COMPARATIVE INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

SAGE The 'Handbook of Social Problems' is devoted to the state of knowledge of social problems. Focussed on social problems of global interest, with weight towards American society, top sociologists have contributed chapters to this text.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SOCIAL THEORY

SAGE Publications, Incorporated The 'Encyclopedia of Social Theory' includes over 280 entries, a master bibliography, biographical coverage of major theorists & features extensive cross-referencing, to provide a comprehensive reference tool for anyone with an interest in social theory.

MCDONALDIZATION

THE READER

Pine Forge Press Latest update of this internationally popular anthology from George Ritzer.

EXPLORATIONS IN THE SOCIOLOGY OF CONSUMPTION

FAST FOOD, CREDIT CARDS AND CASINOS

SAGE In this book, one of the leading social theorists and cultural commentators of modern times, turns his gaze on consumption. George Ritzer, author of the famous McDonaldization Thesis, demonstrates the irrational consequences of the rational desire to consume and commodify. He examines how McDonaldization might be resisted, and situates the reader in the new cultural spaces that are emerging in society: shopping malls, casino hotels, Disneyfied theme parks and Las Vegas -- the new 'cathedrals of consumption' as he calls them. The book shows how new processes of consumption relate to globalization theory. In illuminating discussions of the work of Thorstein Veblen and the French situationists, Ritzer unearths the roots of problems of consumption in older sociological traditions. He indicates how transgression is bound up with consumption, through an investigation of the obscene in popular and postmodern culture.

A DEBTOR WORLD

INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON DEBT

Oxford University Press A Debtor World contains a collection of contributions about the societal implications of private debt. The essays comprising this volume are authored by dozens of leading U.S. and international academics who have written about debt or issues related to debt in a wide range of disciplines including law, sociology, psychology, history, economics, and more. The goal of this collection is to explore debt neither as a problem nor a solution but as a phenomenon and to promote the exchange of knowledge to better comprehend why consumers and businesses decide to borrow money. It asks what happens to businesses and consumers under a heavy debt load, and what legal norms and institutions societies need to encourage the efficient use of debt while promoting a greater understanding of the global phenomenon of increased indebtedness and societal dependence.

DO WHAT YOU ARE

DISCOVER THE PERFECT CAREER FOR YOU THROUGH THE SECRETS OF PERSONALITY TYPE

Little, Brown Do What You Are has already helped more than 750,000 people find truly satisfying work. The book leads you step-by-step through the process of determining and verifying your Personality Type. Then it provides real-life case studies of people who share your Type and introduces you to the key ingredients your work must have for it to be genuinely fulfilling. Using workbook exercises and explaining specific job search strategies, Do What You Are identifies occupations that are popular with your Type and offers a rundown of your work-related strengths and weaknesses. It also shows how you can use your unique strengths to customize your job search, ensuring the best results in the shortest period of time. Whether you are a recent graduate, a first-time job seeker, or a midlife career switcher, this lively guide will enable you to discover the right career for you.

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY 2E

Introduction to Sociology 2e adheres to the scope and sequence of a typical, one-semester introductory sociology course. It offers comprehensive coverage of core concepts, foundational scholars, and emerging theories, which are supported by a wealth of engaging learning materials. The textbook presents detailed section reviews with rich questions, discussions that help students apply their knowledge, and features that draw learners into the discipline in meaningful ways. The second edition retains the book's conceptual organization, aligning to most courses, and has been significantly updated to reflect the latest research and provide examples most relevant to today's students. In order to help instructors transition to the revised version, the 2e changes are described within the preface. The images in this textbook are grayscale. Authors include: Heather Griffiths, Nathan Keirns, Eric Strayer, Susan Cody-Rydzewski, Gail Scaramuzzo, Tommy Sadler, Sally Vyain, Jeff Bry, Faye Jones

POSTMODERN SOCIAL THEORY

McGraw-Hill Humanities, Social Sciences & World Languages Ritzer's long-awaited text in Postmodern Social Theory is a readable & coherent introduction to the fundamental ideas & most important thinkers in postmodern social theory.

SOCIAL THEORY RE-WIRED

NEW CONNECTIONS TO CLASSICAL AND CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES

Routledge This social theory text combines the structure of a print reader with the ability to tailor the course via an extensive interactive website. Readings from important classical and contemporary theorists are placed in conversation with one another through core themes—the puzzle of social order, the dark side of modernity, identity, etc. The website includes videos, interactive commentaries, summaries of key concepts, exams and quizzes, annotated selections from key readings, classroom activities, and more. See the website at www.routledgesoc.com/theory New to the second edition: Expanded web content. Teacher/student feedback employed to clarify difficult concepts. Reframed contemporary section now offers readings by Robert Merton, Bruno Latour, David Harvey, Zygmunt Bauman, and Anthony Giddens.

THE BASICS OF SOCIOLOGY

Greenwood Publishing Group Provides an introduction to core concepts in sociology. Presents both classic studies and current references to illustrate sociological concepts. Examines what sociology is, why sociology is important, and why we study it. Demonstrates how various social forces impact our lives and form our social experiences.

CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

John Wiley & Sons This comprehensive collection of classical sociological theory is a definitive guide to the roots of sociology from its undisciplined beginnings to its current influence on contemporary sociological debate. Explores influential works of Marx, Durkheim, Weber, Mead, Simmel, Freud, Du Bois, Adorno, Marcuse, Parsons, and Merton Editorial introductions lend historical and intellectual perspective to the substantial readings Includes a new section with new readings on the immediate "pre-history" of sociological theory, including the Enlightenment and de Tocqueville Individual reading selections are updated throughout

EVICTED

POVERTY AND PROFIT IN THE AMERICAN CITY

Crown Based on years of embedded fieldwork and painstakingly gathered data, this masterful book transforms our understanding of extreme poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving a devastating, uniquely American problem.

THE MCDONALDIZATION OF SOCIETY

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SOCIOLOGY THEMES AND PERSPECTIVES (HARALAMBOS AND HOLBORN)

HarperCollins UK Level: A-level, undergraduate Subject: Sociology Themes and Perspectives is your essential A-level and undergraduate sociology guide. It's fully updated to match the latest sociology teaching, research and developments to support your learning about sociology today.

SOCIOLOGY

Pearson Higher Education AU Building upon the success of previous editions, this fully revised edition of Sociology lays the foundations for understanding sociology in Australia. The depth and breadth of the book ensures its value not only for first-year students, but for sociology majors requiring on-going reference to a range of theoretical perspectives and current debates. This fifth Australian edition continues to build on the book's reputation for coverage, clarity and content, drawing upon the work of leading Australian sociologists as well as engaging with global social trends and sociological developments.

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY: CANADIAN VERSION ELECTRONIC VERSION

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SOUTHERN THEORY

THE GLOBAL DYNAMICS OF KNOWLEDGE IN SOCIAL SCIENCE

Routledge Southern Theory presents the case for a radical re-thinking of social science and its relationships to knowledge, power and democracy on a world scale. Mainstream social science pictures the world as understood by the educated and affluent in Europe and North America. From Weber and Keynes to Friedman and Foucault, theorists from the global North dominate the imagination of social scientists, and the reading lists of students, all over the world. For most of modern history, the majority world has served social science only as a data mine. Yet the global South does produce knowledge and understanding of society. Through vivid accounts of critics and theorists, Raewyn Connell shows how social theory from the world periphery has power and relevance for understanding our changing world from al-Afghani at the dawn of modern social science, to Raul Prebisch in industrialising Latin America, Ali Shariati in revolutionary Iran, Paulin Hountondji in post-colonial Benin, Veena Das and Ashis Nandy in contemporary India, and many others. With clarity and verve, Southern Theory introduces readers to texts, ideas and debates that have emerged from Australia's Indigenous people, from Africa, Latin America, south and south-west Asia. It deals with modernisation, gender, race, class, cultural domination, neoliberalism, violence, trade, religion, identity, land, and the structure of knowledge itself. Southern Theory shows how this tremendous resource has been disregarded by mainstream social science. It explores the challenges of doing theory in the periphery, and considers the role Southern perspectives should have in a globally connected system of knowledge. Southern Theory draws on sociology, anthropology, history, psychology, economics, philosophy and cultural studies, with wide-ranging implications for social science in the 21st century.

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20TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

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radically streamlined to offer an even clearer articulation of the now-famous McDonaldization thesis.

SOCIOLOGY

A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

SOCIOLOGY: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE, Enhanced International Edition, introduces you to the concepts and theories of sociology, demonstrates how they can be used to think about the most significant and pressing global issues of our day, and uses powerful visual images to illustrate their impact on individuals, local communities, and society. The enhanced seventh edition has been substantially updated to reflect the current global economic crisis.

SOCIAL THEORY

THE MULTICULTURAL, GLOBAL, AND CLASSIC READINGS

Routledge For nearly a quarter-century, Charles Lemert has shared his love of social theory, and the questions it explores, in this collection of readings. With 140 selections that begin in the nineteenth century and end in 2015, Social Theory charts the long arc of the development of the field. This edition retains classic texts by Karl Marx, Emile Durkheim, Max Weber, and W.E.B. Du Bois and writings of major contemporary figures like Audre Lorde and Patricia Hill Collins, while adding pieces from Harriet Martineau, Friedrich Nietzsche, Kimberly Williams Crenshaw, Thomas Piketty, and Ta-Nehisi Coates, among others. Revised and updated with a new section exploring social theory at the limits of the social, Lemert's Social Theory remains essential reading.