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Synopsis

Updated in a new 7th edition, Introducing Public Administration provides readers with a solid, conceptual foundation in public administration, and contains the latest information on important trends in the discipline. Known for its lively and witty style this book covers the most important issues in public administration using examples from various disciplines and modern culture. This approach captivates readers and encourages them to think critically about the nature of public administration today.

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Curriculum, including texts, were assigned to me this first time I am teaching a particular course in public administration. I appreciate the broad coverage of issues here needed by undergraduates of public administration and I particularly respect the sidebars, cases and other straightforward description of structures and processes. However, I am challenged frequently to separate the information from the bias of the authors: pulling examples from politicians the authors so clearly admire (e.g. Reagan), disdain for Democrats, examples that neglect the female gender or anyone but the highest profile minority member (e.g. Martin Luther King), and a lens on history that reflects admiration for singular focus versus complexity. I would think twice before picking and choosing what within this text to recommend to students.

I do like the writing in this. Its not like most text books. Although the authors voice is mildly shown at times, I appreciate those times. For instance, in chapter seven when seeking on feminist perspectives of public administration, they speak "so what do we do about this? one option is to do nothing. Just wait - and consider lung cancer." This is the real S*** like to read for class. It keeps it interesting, really. The passive aggressive tone throughout the text is fantastic. Other then that my rental had torn edges.

The book I received is not the one I ordered. I ordered "Introducing Public Administration" (hardcover) and I received "Public Administration - Understanding Management, Politics, and Law in the Public Sector" (paperback). This was not a wrong edition or something simple like that. I have a class starting on June 11th that I need this book for and now I am going to have to buy it else ware. Maybe buying else ware is what I am going to have to do from now on. Very dissatisfied.

There were at least 3 large stickers on the top covering the cover. I like seeing the cover. The edges looked rough. There were more stickers on the back. All of the stickers were telling me to mail it back by a certain time period. The book Communicating for Results looked like a new book. Void of any stickers. I'd like to order from that company again. Could you tell me who I ordered that one from, please.

I liked this book. It's easy to read and very informative. I'm reading the section on corruption now, I'm glad they included it in the book.

Not bad for a textbook! Clever writing, concepts easy to follow, even a few jokes make this one of the better texts in my grad program.

The cover to this book was already off, I had to tape it back together in order for it to stay on with the rest of the textbook.

The book is as advertised. The cover is a little ratty-but it a paperback. Contents are intact and undamaged. delivery was prompt, it was ok

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