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Public Administration is an aspect of a more generic concept of administration. It houses the implementation of government policy and an academic discipline that studies this implementation and that prepares civil servants for this work. Public Administration is centrally concerned with the organization of government policies and programmes as well as the behavior of officials formally responsible for their conduct. Public Administration is a gateway to understanding government structures and processes of its working. The book covers the basic tenets to understand Public Administration as a discipline, problems of administration, changing nature of the Public Administration, the role and responsibilities of the Public Administrators in an era of globalisation and modernization, the impact of new technologies on the Public Administration, the role of public administrators in the making of public policies, and the role of public administrators in the implementation of public policies.

Marc Holzer and Richard W. Schweitzer have written a fresh and highly engaging textbook for the introductory course in Public Administration. Their coverage is both comprehensive and cutting-edge, including all the basics of administration (TO, budgeting, HRM), but also reflecting new realities in public administration: innovations in e-government, the importance of new technology, changes in intergovernmental relations, especially the emphasis on inter-local and shared regional resources, and public performance and accountability initiatives. Public Administration has been crafted with students in mind, ensuring that we are written in accessible language. The book is also comprehensive, covering all major topics in Public Administration, including the public, public policies, the public sector, the public managers, budgeting, the legal environment, ethical considerations, the role of the public sector in society, and the impact of globalization on public administration.

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To this end it serves as an essential guide for both the practice of public administration today and its on-going development as an academic discipline. The SAGE Handbook of Public Administration remains indispensable to the teaching, study and practice of public administration for students, academics and professionals everywhere.

American Public Administration has been the go-to introductory textbook for Public Administration courses with a focus on civil society for the last decade. Now in an extensively revised and updated second edition, authors Croog and Wagner move the most recent and compelling research throughout every chapter to give students a useful, in-depth understanding of the field today. Changes to this edition include: A stronger focus on e-government, and the ways in which technological change (e.g. social media, government information policy, surveillance) have transformed the government’s relationship with citizens as well as the role of the public servant/nonprofit worker at the federal, state, and local levels. An expanded discussion of citizen participation in all aspects of governing, including the 2016 elections, the Occupy Wall Street movement, and the Black Lives Matter movement. Updated mini case studies throughout the text on topics such as climate change, LGBT rights, and violent extremism to maximize student engagement. A new section on major local government issues, including public-private partnerships, land-use planning, and economic development - and their relevance to Public Administration. A chapter focusing on environmental policy administration and the role and responsibilities of public administrators in a time of global climate change. Expanded coverage of the nonprofit sector and decision and importance of different types of public administration. A comprehensive set of online supplements including PowerPoint slides, an Instructor’s Manual with suggested lectures, discussion questions, and a test bank (includes multiple choice, true-false, matching), as well as student exercises (written, individual, group, and web-based). Comprehensive, well-written, and offering a careful consideration of the fundamentals, American Public Administration, Second Edition is an ideal introductory text for courses at the undergraduate or graduate level, offering students a broader civil society context in which to understand the practice of public administration.

This book paints a full picture of how these theories contribute to, and explain, what we know about public administration today. The third edition is fully revised and updated to reflect the latest developments and research in the field, including more coverage of governments and governance, feminist theory, emotional labor theory, and grounded research methodology. Expanded chapter conclusions and a brand-new online supplement with sample comprehensive exam questions and summary tables make this an even more valuable resource for all public administration students.

Written for use as a textbook in an introductory (undergraduate) course in public administration.

Public administration and the dynamics of public bureaucracy--Politics and administration--Organization theories of public bureaucracies--Encouraging individual growth and organization development--Public personnel administration--Public sector labor-management relations--Decision-making theory and policy analysis--The budgetary process: politics and policy--Administrative careers: locating, preparing, and supervising--Enforcing administrative accountability from outside the executive--Administrative accountability through market and Social Instruments--Federalism and intergovernmental coordination. A dominant theme throughout the handbook is a critical reflection on the utility of scholarly theory and the extent to which government practices inform the development of this theory. To this end it serves as an essential guide for both the practice of public administration today and its on-going development as an academic discipline. The SAGE Handbook of Public Administration remains indispensable to the teaching, study and practice of public administration for students, academics and professionals everywhere.

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