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nothing rings truer to those teaching political science research methods students hate taking this course tackle the challenge and turn the standard research methods teaching model on its head with political science research in practice akan malici and elizabeth s smith engage students first with pressing political questions and then demonstrate how a researcher has gone about answering them walking them through real political science research that contributors have conducted through the exemplary use of a comparative case study field research interviews textual and interpretive research statistical research survey research public policy and program evaluation content analysis and field experiments each chapter introduces students to a method of empirical inquiry through a specific topic that will spark their interest and curiosity each chapter shows the process of developing a research question how and why a particular method was used and the rewards and challenges discovered along the way students can better appreciate why we need a science of politics why methods matter with these first hand issue based discussions the second edition now includes two completely new chapters on field experiments and a chapter on the textual interpretative method new topics ranging from the arab spring to political torture to politically sensitive research in china to social networking and voter turnout revised and updated exercises and discussion questions sections revised and updated interested to know more and recommended resources sections in this volume the study of legislatures has traditionally been a central preoccupation of political scientists legislatures provide good laboratories for testing theories and methodologies of significance in the discipline and more broadly for contributing to an understanding of how representative government works this text demonstrates that there is a politics model that unifies the discipline and structures its relationship to the other 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chapter by chapter students are guided through the key steps in the research process written in a lively and engaging manner and with a dose of humor this practical text shows students exactly how to choose a research topic conduct a literature review make research design decisions collect and analyze data and then write up and present the results the book s approachable style and just in time information delivery make it a text students will want to read and its wide ranging and surprisingly sophisticated coverage will make it an important resource for their later coursework an exploration of core problems in experimental research on voting behaviour and political institutions ranging from design and data analysis to inferences with respect to constructs constituencies and causal claims the focus of is on the implementation of principles in experimental political science and the reflection of actual practices research design in political science has become too technical mechanical and uninvolved argues david a bositis as he explains the need for an alternative design regimen that provides the means for real engagement in empirical research bositis view offers a theoretical imaginative manipulative and engaging alternative approach to political science research his text is divided into three main parts part 1 epistemological issues in the design of research introduces the work s themes and context included in this discussion are research design as persuasive strategy a critique of survey research and a theory of contrivance and demonstration in design in part 2 contrivance and demonstration in practice bositis examines the practice of design in political science first through a discussion of the history of experimentation and then through an examination of both an integrated design and participant observation approach part 3 the politics of research design offers an analysis of the politics and ethics that inform design choices an extensive bibliography of nearly 400 entries is one of the most complete listings of experiments in political science to be found anywhere practice makes perfect this new fifth edition of working with political science research methods continues to support student learning by offering the perfect opportunity to practice each of the methods presented in the core text designed to be paired with the em em olitical science research methods 9th edition chapter for chapter the workbook breaks out each aspect of the research process into manageable parts and features new exercises and updated data sets more than half of the book s exercises are new or updated and feature more international examples greater focus on qualitative research methods and directly correlates with the text s more condensed layout a solutions manual with answers to the workbook is available to adopters field experiments randomized controlled trials have become ever more popular in political science as well as in other disciplines such as economics social policy and development policy makers have also increasingly used randomization to evaluate public policies designing trials of tax reminders welfare policies and international aid programs to name just a few of the interventions tested in this way field experiments have become successful because they assess causal claims in ways that other methods of evaluation find hard to emulate social scientists and evaluators have rediscovered how to design and analyze field experiments but they have paid much less attention to the challenges of organizing and managing them field experiments pose unique challenges and opportunities for the researcher and evaluator which come from working in the field the research experience can be challenging and at times hard to predict this book aims to help researchers and evaluators plan and manage their field experiments so they can avoid common pitfalls it is also intended to open up discussion about the context and backdrop to trials so that these practical aspects of field experiments are better understood the book sets out ten steps researchers can use to plan their field experiments then nine threats to watch out for when they implement them there are cases studies of voting and political participation elites welfare and employment nudging citizens and developing countries this clear and concise text introduces the theoretical frameworks that form the foundation of international relations using levels of analysis as the primary unifying force kaufman also assesses what traditional approaches can t explain about the contemporary international system the branch of social science which focuses on the study of governance systems political activities and constitutions is termed as political science it is broadly classified into various sub disciplines such as international relations domestic politics public administration and comparative politics international relations deals with the interactions between various nations and intergovernmental organizations comparative

politics studies the teachings of different types of constitutions and legislature in an intrastate perspective political science is an interdisciplinary field which draws on methods from the fields of social research cognitive neuroscience and psychology theories such as structuralism positivism realism pluralism institutionalism behaviouralism and rational choice theory are studied under it major areas of research in political science include public administration public law program evaluation and political philosophy the topics included in this book on political science are of utmost significance and bound to provide incredible insights to readers it covers in detail some existent theories and innovative concepts revolving around this field coherent flow of topic student friendly language and extensive use of examples make this book an invaluable source of knowledge this is an immensely helpful book for students starting their own research an excellent introduction to the comparative method giving an authoritative overview over the research process klaus armingeon university of bern doing research in political science is the book for mastering the comparative method in all the social sciences jan erik lane university of geneva this book has established itself as a concise and well readable text on comparative methods and statistics in political science i strongly recommend it dirk berg schlosser philipps university marburg this thoroughly revised edition of the popular textbook offers an accessible but comprehensive introduction to comparative research methods and statistics for students of political science clearly organized around three parts the text introduces the main theories and methodologies used in the discipline part 1 frames the comparative approach within the methodological framework of the political and social sciences part 2 introduces basic descriptive and inferential statistical methods as well as more advanced multivariate methods used in quantitative political analysis part 3 applies the methods and techniques of parts 1 2 to research questions drawn from contemporary themes and issues in political science incorporating practice exercises ideas for further reading and summary questions throughout doing research in political science provides an invaluable step by step guide for students and researchers in political science comparative politics and empirical political analysis understand the how and the why behind research in political science step by step political science research methods walks students through the logic of research design carefully explaining how researchers choose which method to employ the eighth edition of this trusted resource offers a greater emphasis on the ways in which particular methods are used by undergraduates expanded coverage of the role of the internet in research and analysis and more international examples practice makes perfect in the new fourth edition of the accompanying workbook working with political science research methods students are given the perfect opportunity to practice each of the methods presented in the core text this helpful supplement breaks each aspect of the research process into manageable parts and features new exercises and updated data sets a solutions manual with answers to the workbook is available to adopters with a focus on providing concrete teaching strategies for scholars the handbook on teaching and learning in political science and international relations blends both theory and practice in an accessible and clear manner in an effort to help faculty the first systematic analysis of current debates surrounding the role of practice in political theory should social and political practices should play a role in the justification of normative political principles in several sub domains of political theory theorists have suggested that practices constrain principles in various ways this book joins five key debates in the current theoretical literature that have been largely taking place in isolation and identifies common strands of argument and their shared problems by illuminating these connections and cross fertilising key debates in the current theoretical literature it develops a unified way forward for practice based political theory political science internships towards best practices builds on a robust body of evidence that demonstrates the integrative power of internships to help undergraduate students learn by doing targeting faculty instructors and administrators who deliver political science curricula this book examines the state of internships in the discipline scrutinizing different types of internship programs their vital components and the roles of key stakeholders faculty mentors and instructors site supervisors and students employing a variety of methodological approaches and incorporating original research contributors from across the field offer analytical insights and recommendations for facilitating experiential learning practical resources organized into a supplemental section exhibit how to structure maintain and sustain internship programs and help stakeholders achieve intended learning outcomes as this text makes clear moving towards best practices in political science internships requires curricula to be reoriented around more accessible inclusive practices that place student learning at their center even students capable of writing excellent essays still find their first major political science research paper an intimidating experience crafting the right research question finding good sources properly summarizing them operationalizing concepts and designing good tests for their hypotheses presenting and analyzing quantitative as well as qualitative data are all tough going without a great deal of guidance and encouragement writing a research paper in political science breaks down the research paper into its constituent parts and shows students what they need to do at each stage to successfully complete each component until the paper is finished practical summaries recipes for success worksheets exercises and a series of handy checklists make this a must have supplement for any writing intensive political science course this book examines the question of how our knowledge of social life affects and ought to affect our way of living it in so doing it critically discusses two epistemological models of social science the positivist and the interpretive from the viewpoint of the political theories which it is argued are implicit in these models moreover it proposes a third model the critical which is organised around an explicit account of the relation between social theory and practical life the book has the special merit of being a good overview of the principal current ideas about the relation between social theory and political practice as well as an attempt at providing a new and more satisfactory account of this relationship to accomplish this task it synthesises work from the analytic philosophy of social science with that of the neo marxism of the frankfurt school every methods course needs to provide students with careful explanations and step by step guidance on research design and techniques but how many illustrations are you offering of particular methods in actual research situations david rochefort answers this need with a volume of political science readings that helps students take their knowledge of abstract concepts and integrate it into the broader context of social science research and analysis a reliable source for high quality yet concise empirical studies that draws from all sub fields of political science ps offers the perfect material to supplement your current text rochefort introduces each selection with a substantial headnote to give students context for the type of research and statistical analysis the article utilizes he then provides a set of questions at the end of each reading that focus on four topics why was this research needed how was this research done what are the findings what does it mean rochefort also showcases an author s retrospective that gives scholars an opportunity to speak directly to students about what they want readers to learn from their article as well as how their perspective on their research has changed since the time of its original publication an introduction and conclusion speak to the demands of learning statistics in action and a topical guide in the front of the book points students to readings that focus on particular skills and techniques covering both research methods questionnaire

design and original data collection for instance and quantitative techniques confidence intervals graphing crosstabulation and regression to name a few winner of the 1999 best book in ecological and transformational politics presented by the american political science association s section on ecological and transformational politics the discipline of political science has reached a crossroads the frequency with which terms such as post liberal post modern post patriarchal post materialist and post structural are used in contemporary political discourse testifies to the pervasive conviction that an era has ended similarly phrases such as new world order new paradigm new age and third wave convey the widely shared expectation that what lies ahead politically will be qualitatively unlike what has gone before transformational politics argues that traditional political science is failing to identify and address fundamental political phenomena of our time and proposes an alternative value based political science that not only studies phenomena but also uses knowledge to promote democracy sustainability and social conscience part i of the book defines transformational political theory as an emerging paradigm and draws on a wide array of theories empowerment feminist democratic communitarian chaos quantum conflict resolution self actualization part ii examines how a transformational perspective guides the study of politics in both research and teaching part iii offers guidance about how to practice the theory and apply the study with a concern for creating a better world this book brings an exciting and innovative new approach to the study of politics today it introduces political bargaining a process at the heart of all political and economic exchanges in contemporary society and the very essence of politics itself to provide a new framework and fresh insights to modern political science the authors trace the prevalence of bargaining processes in politics from the abstract level of individual human interaction and the state of nature to the more concrete political or institutionalized level they introduce students to theory the basic models of game theory rational choice theory and positivist approaches practice the practical manifestations of political b focusing on the increasing refusal and transgression of politics as normal across the globe this book examines new forms of democratisation democratic life and political subjectivity as people seek to gain control over the decisions and processes affecting their lives the contributors to this volume challenge the hegemonic truth regimes of political science by bringing to our attention practices and discussions on the margins of political theorisation and conceptualisation they offer a pluridiveristy of theorisations and engagements that mirror the very practises of democratic life of which they speak they demonstrate how research on the margins enables us to develop and deepen our conceptualisation and engagement with these new forms of democratic thought and practice and hence our understanding of the political and the transformation of political science these new forms of politics call into question the epistemological authority of political science and this book will be of interest to those seeking to understand the increasing trend towards prefigurative epistemologies decolonising methodologies and participatory forms of becoming political this book was originally published as a special issue of social identities advances our understanding of global and international relations through a ground breaking philosophical analysis of social practices indebted to oakeshott wittgenstein and hegel now in its third edition this leading undergraduate textbook has been revised and updated throughout to take account of recent developments in world politics concise and engagingly written the book is core reading for courses on international organizations international law and politics and global governance unlike other textbooks in the field it takes readers behind the scenes of the world s most important international institutions to explore their legal authority and the political controversies that they generate it presents chapter length case studies of the world s leading international organizations with attention to the legal political and practical aspects the new edition adds depth to the discussion of international relations theory and features new case material on brexit the argentine sovereign debt the syrian war the cholera epidemic in haiti and more principles and practice of american politics is a well balanced reader covering all the major topics of an american government course blake jones ohio valley university combining timeless readings with cutting edge articles and essays principles and practice of american politics seventh edition enriches students understanding of the american political system by examining the strategic behavior of key players in u s politics this collection of classic and contemporary readings brings concepts to life by providing students with real examples of how political actors are influenced by the strategies of others and are governed by the constitution the law and institutional rules carefully edited by award winning authors samuel kernell and steven s smith each reading is put into context to help students understand how political actions fall within a major national political forum new to the seventh edition nine new and updated essays encourage students to reflect on the continuing debates over the polarization of the american electorate and congress the role of social media and fake news in influencing public views of politicians and issues the fragile trump coalition the efficacy of polling in tracking public opinion and other issues more relevant than ever in the wake of the 2016 elections additional essays challenge students to think more carefully about alternative institutions and political arrangements the new essays present institutions of majority rule the nature of racial discrimination and the proper role of the court as less settled issues that provide students an opportunity to think through and discuss their views on the future direction of american civic life each selection is artfully framed by kernell and smith s contextual headnotes to make them appropriate for classroom use original readings written specifically for the volume give the book a coherent treatment of the performance of u s political institutions recent partisan squabbles over science in the news are indicative of a larger tendency for scientific research and practice to get entangled in major ideological divisions in the public arena this politicization of science is deepened by the key role government funding plays in scientific research and development the market leading position of u s based science and technology firms and controversial u s exports such as genetically modified foods or hormone injected livestock this groundbreaking one volume a to z reference features 120 150 entries that explore the nexus of politics and science both in the united states and in u s interactions with other nations the essays each by experts in their fields examine health environmental and social cultural issues relating to science and politics concerns relating to government regulation and its impact on the practice of science key historical and contemporary events that have shaped our contemporary view of how science and politics intersect science and politics an a to z guide to issues and controversies is a must have resource for researchers and students who seek to deepen their understanding of the connection between science and politics each year tens of thousands of students who are interested in politics go through a rite of passage they take a course in research methods many find the subject to be boring or confusing and with good reason most of the standard books on research methods fail to highlight the most important concepts and questions instead they brim with dry technical definitions and focus heavily on statistical analysis slighting other valuable methods this approach not only dulls potential enjoyment of the course but prevents students from mastering the skills they need to engage more directly and meaningfully with a wide variety of research with wit and practical wisdom christopher howard draws on more than a decade of experience teaching research methods to transform a typically dreary subject and teach budding political scientists the critical skills they need to read published research more effectively and produce better

research of their own the first part of the book is devoted to asking three fundamental questions in political science what happened why who cares in the second section howard demonstrates how to answer these questions by choosing an appropriate research design selecting cases and working with numbers and written documents as evidence drawing on examples from american and comparative politics international relations and public policy thinking like a political scientist highlights the most common challenges that political scientists routinely face and each chapter concludes with exercises so that students can practice dealing with those challenges with the interest in practice theory and praxeology on the rise praxeology can be considered an emerging new methodological as well as theoretical paradigm which successfully overcomes epistemological dichotomies of conventional approaches the articles in this volume serve as starting points for rendering contemporary practice theory approaches useful for the analysis of political events and processes without reducing the political aspect a priori to the formal policy sphere in this context praxeological political analysis demonstrates that praxeological research is now increasingly addressing issues which are considered virulent in for instance the consumer sustainability or political spheres following on from this key focus on political analysis this title also seeks to expand the current status of primarily political science adaptations of practice theory approaches to the analysis of predominantly narrowly defined political practices written with an explicit focus on diverse political aspects and dimensions in the performative enactment of social practices this title will appeal to post graduate students and scholars interested in sociology of politics social and public policy development in social theory and political research methods includes chapter outlines study notes a glossary and practice tests designed to reinforce information in the text and help students develop a greater understanding of american government and politics this book examines a basic problem in critical approaches to political and social inquiry in what way is social inquiry animated by a practical intent this practical intent is not external to inquiry as an add on or a choice by the inquirer but is inherent to the process of inquiry the practical intent in inquiry derives from the connection between social inquiry and the participant s perspective the social inquirer in order to grasp the sense of those who are the subject of inquiry has to adopt the perspective of the participant in the social world caterino opposes the view that research is an autonomous activity distinct from or superior to a participant s perspective he argues that since the inquirer is on the same level as the participant all inquiry should be considered mutual critique in which those who are addressed by inquiry have an equal right and an equal capacity to criticize addressors updated in a new 5th edition this book lays a strong conceptual foundation to understanding the rationales of and limitations to public policy it gives practical advice about how to do policy analysis while demonstrating the application of advanced analytical techniques through case study examples policy analysis concepts and practices is a comprehensive accessible and rich introduction to policy analysis for readers in public policy public administration and business programs practice tests each chapter includes a list of learning outcomes for the chapter practice tests with questions in multiple choice and fill in formats designed to reinforce information in the text and help students develop a greater understanding of american government and politics and the answers to all questions this book examines the challenges confronting the practice of democracy and governance in nigeria the book examines the theoretical underpinnings and the procedural and institutional components of democratic practice in nigeria including the challenges associated with elections the legislature the media and gender issues approaching the pluralistic characteristics of the nigerian state and how they impede democratisation through contributions by experts and scholars in the field the book analyses the issues and nuances inherent to governance and democracy in nigeria as well as domestic policy process global governance and human security democratic practice and governance in nigeria will be of interest to students and scholars of african politics and democratisation

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this book explains how field research contributes value to political science by exploring scholars experiences detailing exemplary practices and asserting key principles

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Terms of Inquiry 2014-11-04

an exploration of core problems in experimental research on voting behaviour and political institutions ranging from design and data analysis to inferences with respect to constructs constituencies and causal claims the focus of is on the implementation of principles in experimental political science and the reflection of actual practices

Empirical Research and Writing 2012-04-25

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design choices an extensive bibliography of nearly 400 entries is one of the most complete listings of experiments in political science to be found anywhere

Experimental Political Science 1994

practice makes perfect this new fifth edition of working with political science research methods continues to support student learning by offering the perfect opportunity to practice each of the methods presented in the core text designed to be paired with the experimental political science research methods 9th edition chapter for chapter the workbook breaks out each aspect of the research process into manageable parts and features new exercises and updated data sets more than half of the book's exercises are new or updated and feature more international examples greater focus on qualitative research methods and directly correlates with the text's more condensed layout a solutions manual with answers to the workbook is available to adopters

Political Analysis 1990

field experiments randomized controlled trials have become ever more popular in political science as well as in other disciplines such as economics social policy and development policy makers have also increasingly used randomization to evaluate public policies designing trials of tax reminders welfare policies and international aid programs to name just a few of the interventions tested in this way field experiments have become successful because they assess causal claims in ways that other methods of evaluation find hard to emulate social scientists and evaluators have rediscovered how to design and analyze field experiments but they have paid much less attention to the challenges of organizing and managing them field experiments pose unique challenges and opportunities for the researcher and evaluator which come from working in the field the research experience can be challenging and at times hard to predict this book aims to help researchers and evaluators plan and manage their field experiments so they can avoid common pitfalls it is also intended to open up discussion about the context and backdrop to trials so that these practical aspects of field experiments are better understood the book sets out ten steps researchers can use to plan their field experiments then nine threats to watch out for when they implement them there are case studies of voting and political participation elites welfare and employment nudging citizens and developing countries

Research Designs for Political Science 2019-07-04

this clear and concise text introduces the theoretical frameworks that form the foundation of international relations using levels of analysis as the primary unifying force kaufman also assesses what traditional approaches can't explain about the contemporary international system

Working with Political Science Research Methods 2017-01-06

the branch of social science which focuses on the study of governance systems political activities and constitutions is termed as political science it is broadly classified into various sub disciplines such as international relations domestic politics public administration and comparative politics international relations deals with the interactions between various nations and intergovernmental organizations comparative politics studies the teachings of different types of constitutions and legislature in an intrastate perspective political science is an interdisciplinary field which draws on methods from the fields of social research cognitive neuroscience and psychology theories such as structuralism positivism realism pluralism institutionalism behaviouralism and rational choice theory are studied under its major areas of research in political science include public administration public law program evaluation and political philosophy the topics included in this book on political science are of utmost significance and bound to provide incredible insights to readers it covers in detail some existent theories and innovative concepts revolving around this field coherent flow of topic student friendly language and extensive use of examples make this book an invaluable source of knowledge

Field Experiments in Political Science and Public Policy 1982

this is an immensely helpful book for students starting their own research an excellent introduction to the comparative method giving an authoritative overview over the research process klaus armingeon university of bern doing research in political science is the book for mastering the comparative method in all the social sciences jan erik lane university of geneva this book has established itself as a concise and well readable text on comparative methods and statistics in political science i strongly recommend it dirk berg schlosser philipps university marburg this thoroughly revised edition of the popular textbook offers an accessible but comprehensive introduction to comparative research methods and statistics for students of political science clearly organized around three parts the text introduces the main theories and methodologies used in the discipline part 1 frames the comparative approach within the methodological framework of the political and social sciences part 2 introduces basic descriptive and inferential statistical methods as well as more advanced multivariate methods used in quantitative political analysis part 3 applies the methods and techniques of parts 1 2 to research questions drawn from contemporary themes and issues in political science incorporating practice exercises ideas for further reading and summary questions throughout doing research in political science provides an invaluable step by step guide for students and researchers in political science comparative politics and empirical political analysis

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with a focus on providing concrete teaching strategies for scholars the handbook on teaching and learning in political science and international relations blends both theory and practice in an accessible and clear manner in an effort to help faculty

Political Science: Practices and Principles 2005-11-11

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Doing Research in Political Science 2015-08-24

political science internships towards best practices builds on a robust body of evidence that demonstrates the integrative power of internships to help undergraduate students learn by doing targeting faculty instructors and administrators who deliver political science curricula this book examines the state of internships in the discipline scrutinizing different types of internship programs their vital components and the roles of key stakeholders faculty mentors and instructors site supervisors and students employing a variety of methodological approaches and incorporating original research contributors from across the field offer analytical insights and recommendations for facilitating experiential learning practical resources organized into a supplemental section exhibit how to structure maintain and sustain internship programs and help stakeholders achieve intended learning outcomes as this text makes clear moving towards best practices in political science internships requires curricula to be reoriented around more accessible inclusive practices that place student learning at their center

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The Practical Turn in Political Theory 2021-09

every methods course needs to provide students with careful explanations and step by step guidance on research design and techniques but how many illustrations are you offering of particular methods in actual research situations david rochefort answers this need with a volume of political science readings that helps students take their knowledge of abstract concepts and integrate it into the broader context of social science research and analysis a reliable source for high quality yet concise empirical studies that draws from all sub fields of political science ps offers the perfect material to supplement your current text rochefort introduces each selection with a substantial headnote to give students context for the type of research and statistical analysis the article utilizes he then provides a set of questions at the end of each reading that focus on four topics why was this research needed how was this research done what are the findings what does it mean rochefort also showcases an author s retrospective that gives scholars an opportunity to speak directly to students about what they want readers to learn from their article as well as how their perspective on their research has changed since the time of its original publication an introduction and conclusion speak to the demands of learning statistics in action and a topical guide in the front of the book points students to readings that focus on particular skills and techniques covering both research methods questionnaire design and original data collection for instance and quantitative techniques confidence intervals graphing crosstabulation and regression to name a few

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