

Biopolitics: An Advanced Introduction by Thomas Lemke

In the 21st century, power is no longer exercised solely through physical force or political coercion. Instead, it operates increasingly through the control and manipulation of life itself. This is the phenomenon of biopolitics, which has profound implications for our understanding of power, subjectivity, and the future of human life.



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In *Biopolitics: An Advanced*, Thomas Lemke provides a comprehensive overview of this important and rapidly growing field. Drawing on a wide range of theoretical and empirical sources, Lemke explores the historical development of biopolitics, its key concepts, and its contemporary manifestations.

Biopolitics is the study of the ways in which power is exercised over life. It is a relatively new field of study, but it has quickly become one of the most important and influential in the social sciences and humanities. Biopolitics

has its roots in the work of Michel Foucault, who argued that power is not simply a repressive force, but also a productive one. Foucault showed that power operates through the production of knowledge, the regulation of bodies, and the shaping of desires.

Lemke's book is divided into three parts. The first part provides a historical overview of biopolitics, from its origins in the 18th century to its contemporary manifestations. The second part examines the key concepts of biopolitics, such as life, power, and the body. The third part explores the contemporary manifestations of biopolitics, such as the rise of neoliberalism, the increasing use of surveillance technologies, and the growing power of the pharmaceutical industry.

Biopolitics: An Advanced is an essential resource for anyone interested in understanding the complex and far-reaching implications of biopolitics for our lives and for the future of human society.

Key Features

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- Essential reading for anyone interested in understanding the implications of biopolitics for our lives and for the future of human society

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Reviews

"*Biopolitics: An Advanced* is a masterful work of scholarship that provides a comprehensive and insightful overview of this important and rapidly growing field. Lemke's book is essential reading for anyone interested in understanding the complex and far-reaching implications of biopolitics for our lives and for the future of human society." - **Nikolas Rose, Professor of Sociology, Goldsmiths, University of London**

"Thomas Lemke is one of the leading scholars in the field of biopolitics. His book, *Biopolitics: An Advanced*, is a must-read for anyone interested in understanding this important and rapidly growing field. Lemke provides a comprehensive overview of the history, theory, and contemporary manifestations of biopolitics. He does so in a clear and concise style that makes this complex topic accessible to a wide audience." - **Judith Butler, Professor of Rhetoric and Comparative Literature, University of California, Berkeley**

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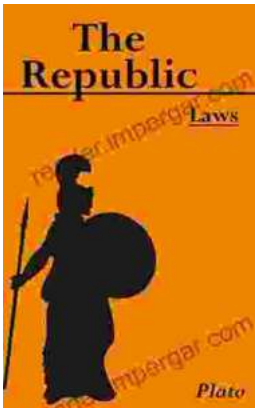
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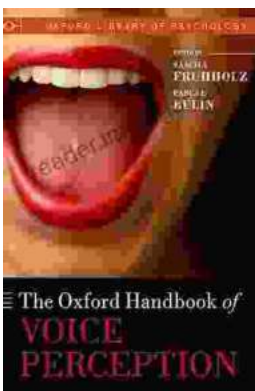
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