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# Essentials Of Environmental Health



## Synopsis

Environmental threats are occurring on a worldwide scale. Dramatic pictures of the devastating effects of natural disasters lead the nightly news. Stories of chemical spills and contaminated groundwater, deforestation and suburban sprawl, depleted fisheries and exploding human population, litter the pages of the newspapers daily. National and international policymakers are concerned about the potential impact on the health of the world's population and on the global environment and, as a result, much progress has been made in informing the public and introducing regulations for the control of these hazards. As the first in the Essential Public Health series, *Essentials of Environmental Health* is a clear and comprehensive study of the major topics of environmental health including: Background of the field and tools of the trade (environmental epidemiology, environmental toxicology, and environmental policy and regulation). Environmental diseases (microbial agents, ionizing and non-ionizing radiation). Applications and domains of environmental health (water and air quality, food safety, waste disposal, and occupational health). In a straightforward, non-technical approach, the author has included many examples and illustrations of environmental health issues. Perfect for the beginning student as well as the experienced health professional, each chapter concludes with study questions and exercises to engage the reader in further study.

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This book contains numerous black-and-white photographs, tables, diagrams and text boxes of

such low quality that reading a single chapter is enough to give you a headache. There is a great deal of interesting anecdotal information. However, this is at the expense of directly relevant factual information and technical details that are included in other environmental health texts.

Essentials of Environmental Health served as a good introductory book for learning the basics of environmental health in my university level Introduction to Environmental Health class. With topics including air pollution, water quality, pesticides, and the recent increased focus on occupational health, this book provided helpful definitions, diagrams, models, and theories on the wide array of topics included within. Although you will want to obtain books that focus more specifically on issues such as food safety or Zoonotic diseases, or even the most recent available research, I would not pass up this book for learning the basics and/or background of some of these topics.

This is a text we used in my environmental health course. It is very simply written (not boring or overly academic) and well illustrated. The actual case studies supplement the text very well. There are also online resources that match the book.

I bought the kindle version of this book because the physical version was either \$124 (no way am I paying that) or sold out. I needed this for class. Giving only 2 stars because I paid the same price for the kindle version as I would have for the physical version but all through the book figures and images are missing due to "copyright restrictions". I PAID FOR THE BOOK. TOTAL RIP OFF. Now I'm going to have to shell out ANOTHER \$70 bucks so I can get the rest of the information.

This book is woefully out of date, especially when it comes to the field of endocrine disruption and environmental signaling. It's almost dangerous to ignore this subject, now that the science continues to build that long-term, low-dose exposure to many chemicals are dangerous the unborn, young children and people of all ages. I was horrified to read a citation in the book that claimed that most of the chemicals in the products we use everyday are harmless. In reality most of those chemicals have never been tested for safety. This is just poor research and writing on the author's part. For anyone interested in endocrine disruption, please look up the book Our Stolen Future. A simple search will lead you to many books, for this book commits a horrible mistake by leaving it out. You can also find Internet sites like Safer Chemicals Healthy Families or The Endocrine Disruptor Exchange.

I took a course that required the latest edition of this book. Being as how I was in a financial crunch (due to bizarre financial aid delays), I had to wait as long as possible to purchase my books for class. Eventually the class started so I simply purchased the book on kindle. I paid double the price of the print version to get an outdated, significantly different textbook. I was horrendously confused about what the professor was teaching and from where in the text she was teaching. That is until I realized that my book was not the same book she was teaching from. Normally, I would understand. An older edition should very well be outdated and have less content. But not if you pay double the price of the current edition that isn't available digitally. Seriously, the kindle version was released a year before the brand new edition. Why on earth wouldn't the kindle version be updated? Why would the digital price differ so dramatically in price? I'm far beyond confused. Ultimately, I looked foolish and was completely unprepared for a difficult course. Thanks.

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We are homeschooling two high school students this year and this was a perfect study! We obtained the tests and solutions manual by writing to the publisher... info@jbpub.com I love the way it gave a brief introduction to the professional fields of study, motivating my students to explore these further and find a possible future in them as a career. It also gave them a deeper appreciation and concern for the state of our environment.

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