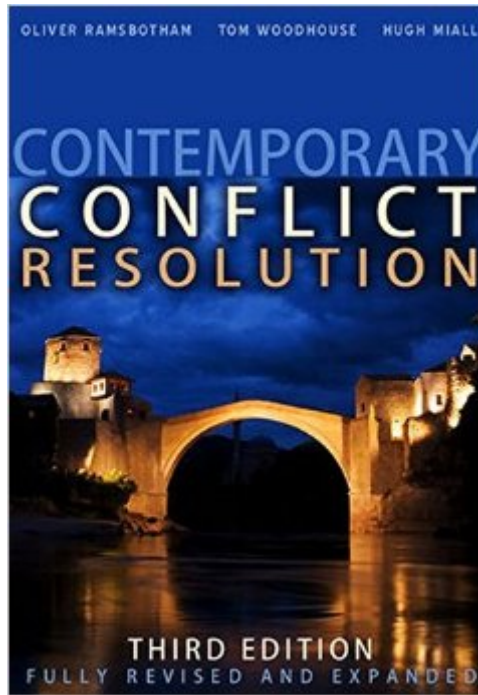


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# Contemporary Conflict Resolution



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Since the end of the Cold War, conflict prevention and resolution, peacekeeping and peacebuilding have risen to the top of the international agenda. The third edition of this hugely popular text explains the key concepts, charts the development of the field, evaluates successes and failures, and assesses the main current challenges and debates in the second decade of the twenty-first century. Existing material has been thoroughly updated and four new chapters added, on environmental conflict resolution, conflict resolution in the arts and popular culture, conflict resolution in the media and the communications revolution, and theories and critiques of the field. The authors argue that a new form of cosmopolitan conflict resolution is emerging, which offers a hopeful means for human societies to handle their conflicts non-violently and eventually to transcend and celebrate their differences. Part I offers a comprehensive survey of the theory and practice of conflict resolution. Part II sets the field within the context of rapid global change and addresses the controversies that have surrounded conflict resolution as it has entered the mainstream. Contemporary Conflict Resolution is essential reading for students of peace and security studies, conflict management and international politics, as well as for those working in non-governmental organizations and think-tanks.

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I am an graduating senior, so my humble opinion should only count from the perspective of a peace and justice studies student. I just wanted to say that this was one of the main books we used in my

conflict transformation/peacebuilding course during my undergrad. My overall opinion is that it was a very strong and helpful textbook. I have never had a textbook in my life that once I read the first and second chapter, I couldn't stop reading it. I must say I was disappointed by their treatment of environmental ethics and conflict. There was little mention of nonanthropocentrism and how that might change the field. Instead, they refer to the field in very anthropocentric terms, which is the status quo, but they failed to at least acknowledge it. Also, they lightly touch on the history of nonviolence in an early chapter, and then they shelf it for the rest of the book, which was unfortunate. I find it helpful that they do a treatment of the field that recognizes and respect also other theories, as well as non-western, non-northern thinking at certain points. It does a good job at responding to critiques from outside the field. It also opens a way to see the contemporary challenges field, and where future work will need to be done in order to advance the field. For example, they begin scratching the surface at points about cyberpeacemaking, and talking about the role of social media in regards to contemporary conflict resolution. However, it is still such a novel idea, that they provide a theoretical basic of what is happening but still recognize as a new frontier. I am glad I got to read this book before graduating. I feel it has helped me frame the field better, and the knowledge I have gained from it will serve valuable to me as a prospective peacebuilder. I think this textbook should be a must.

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Great book!

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