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At least since the French Revolution, France has the peculiar distinction of simultaneously fascinating, charming and exasperating its neighbours and foreign observers. Contemporary France provides an essential introduction for students of French politics and society, exploring contemporary developments while placing them in a deeper historical, intellectual, cultural and social context that makes for insightful analysis. Thus, chapters on France's economic policy and welfare state, its foreign and European policies and its political movements and recent institutional developments are informed by an analysis of the country's unique political and institutional traditions, distinct forms of nationalism and citizenship, dynamic intellectual life and recent social trends. Summaries of key political, economic and social movements and events are displayed as exhibits.

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Contemporary France is a handbook covering most of the major features of French politics and society. The book is up-to-date, exploring the latest political and social developments and trends while at the same time placing them in a deeper historical, intellectual, cultural and social context that makes for insightful analysis.

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Modern France is an up-to-date and accessible introduction to the nature of French society at the end of the twentieth century. The book examines the transition of France and French life as the nation moves from an industrial to a post-industrial economy, and the cultural and social dislocations that such an evolution implies. Sociological concepts and categories of class, race, gender, age and region are discussed as well as how they combine together to produce inequalities and identities. These concepts are then applied to a range of issues such as work, politics, education, health, religion and leisure. Modern France reveals the nature of French society at a critical moment in her evolution and how a member of the European Union reflects distinctiveness and commonality in the development of Europe as a whole.

Modern France

Contemporary France provides an essential introduction for students of French politics and society. Contemporary developments are explored but placed within the deeper historical, intellectual, cultural and social context that makes for insightful analysis. This second edition has been fully updated to cover the new issues and important changes that have arisen in the last decade. These include: the presidencies of Sarkozy and Hollande and their impact on French society political secularity – laïcité - and the continuing debate surrounding the headscarf ban the financial crisis and the subsequent rise of *déclinisme* the 2005 riots in the banlieues and the broader but linked issue of youth unemployment cultural policy -l'exception française France's relations with its former colonies and its changing place on the international scene. This new edition is also supported by a free companion website. This contains additional resources including multiple-choice exercises and annotated bibliographies linked to each chapter to guide further study. Contemporary France is an invaluable resource for all undergraduate students of French. The authoritative background information provides a solid foundation and a springboard for further study.

Contemporary France

John Girling provides an informative and stimulating overview of the key issues in French life in a time of rapid globalization and European integration. He critically examines the residual values of grandeur and elitism in the political and economic leadership of contemporary France and evaluates their affect on education and domestic and foreign policy. He also analyzes the impact of modernization and global forces on the state, economy and social structure. In the face of a rapidly changing world, Girling addresses the question of French political and cultural identity with both optimism and pessimism.

France

Few countries can claim a political heritage as rich, varied and influential as France – the birthplace of modern politics. Ideas about France are often based on popular stereotypes, yet the reality of French national identity is both diverse and changeable. In this authoritative yet accessible new text, Helen Drake provides a compelling introduction to the politics, society, economy and culture of France. She examines how well equipped the country is to meet the challenges which face it at the start of the twenty-first century. A central theme of the book is whether France has come to terms with its tumultuous past – its wars, civil strife, and rapid modernization following the devastation of World War II. Contemporary France examines key aspects of French political culture and looks at how the core republican principles of liberty, equality and fraternity are being interpreted and implemented today. France's relationship with the EU and its place in the wider world are also explored.

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Assuming no previous knowledge and concentrating on the post-1981 era, this book introduces the fundamentals of French government and society. Covering a broad spectrum of topics, French Politics and Society 2nd Edition follows a logical structure and framework for analysis, providing an excellent description of French institutions, access to background information and discussions of historical developments, political forces, public policy, and the evolution of important aspects of French society.

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France entered the twentieth century as a powerful European and colonial nation. In the course of the century, her role changed dramatically: in the first fifty years two World Wars and economic decline removed its status as a world power, whilst the immediate post-war era was marked by wars of independence in its colonies. Yet at the same time, in the second half of the century, France entered a period of unprecedented growth and social transformation. Throughout the century and into the new millennium

France retained its former international reputation as a centre for cultural excellence and innovation and its culture, together with that of the Francophone world, reflected the increased richness and diversity of the period. This Companion explores this vibrant culture, and includes chapters on history, language, literature, thought, theatre, architecture, visual culture, film and music, and discuss the contributions of popular culture, Francophone culture, minorities and women.

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The book outlines the historical development of Public Law and the state from ancient times to the modern day, offering an account of relevant events in parallel with a general historical background, establishing and explaining the relationships between political, religious, and economic events.

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As evidenced by the yellow vests protest movement that began in France in 2018, the state of the French nation inspires gloom among many of its citizens. Brigitte Granville views this malaise as a peculiarly French symptom of the difficulties experienced by many advanced industrial democracies in the face of globalization, technology, and mass immigration. Granville brings trenchant criticism to bear in this wide-ranging survey of the political economy of contemporary France, building her case for the prosecution on the self-reinforcing rigidity produced by a narrow Parisian oligarchy that is both entitled and intellectually hidebound. *What Ails France?* applies an economist's vision to the monetary and fiscal pathologies flowing from this ideologically motivated technocratic rule, reflected in Europe's flawed monetary union, runaway indebtedness, and chronically high structural unemployment. The author marshals academic research from a wide range of disciplines to fuel a provocative and at times contentious analysis, proposing various treatments for French ailments that would reinvigorate the republican value of *liberté* with a new local slant. A refreshing, ideologically freewheeling discussion, *What Ails France?* provides a positive take on the innovations of our digital age, exploring their potential to bring about a more representative democracy and a fairer society.

French Politics and Society

Jonah D. Levy examines the transformation of French economic policymaking and state-society relations during the last quarter of the 20th century. He argues that France needs an active, empowering state to engage with civil society.

Essays on Political Economy

With contributions from leading scholars across the entire range of French studies, this up-to-date volume examines both the current state of French studies in the United Kingdom, as well as its future in an increasingly interdisciplinary world where student demand, new technologies, and developments in transnational education are changing the ways in which we teach, learn, research and assess achievements. Required reading for French studies scholars worldwide, this volume builds upon the findings of the influential Review of Modern Foreign Languages Provision in Higher Education and maps the present and future of the field.

The Cambridge Companion to Modern French Culture

This book considers the evolution of economic thought in France from the sixteenth to twentieth century and explores the key economists, themes and controversies which are important in the context of recent research.

A History of Western Public Law

This collection of essays explores an unjustly neglected tradition that is now experiencing a remarkable renaissance: French political liberalism.

What Ails France?

Examining the traditionally predominant role of the state in shaping employment patterns and social policy in France, *French Industrial Relations in the New World Economy* analyzes the impact of globalization on French industrial relations. Looking at the changing economic context of industrial relations, this important text places particular emphasis on the notion of a shift from a national, Fordist form of employment regulation, to an international, post-Fordist form - examining in detail the impact of this shift on the role of the French state and on the balance of power between employer and trade union organizations. Including chapters on employer organizations, collective bargaining, the role of the state, and workplace representation, *French Industrial Relations in the New World Economy* explores this fascinating topic in detail and provides a detailed resource for postgraduates studying trade unions, industrial and employee relations, and industrial studies in general.

Tocqueville's Revenge

In 1929 two French historians, Lucien Febvre and Marc Bloch, founded *Annales*, a historical journal which rapidly became one of the most influential in the world. They believed that economic history, social history and the history of ideas were as important as political history, and that historians should not be narrow specialists but should learn from their colleagues in the social sciences. Two of the most distinguished French members of the *Annales* school are represented in this volume - Fernand Braudel and Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie - the core of which is the debate on the Price Revolution of the sixteenth century dealt with by Cipolla, Chabert, Hoszowski and Verlinden. Within the volume, all the contributions are oriented towards Europe in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, and all are concerned with long-term changes, and with the relation between economic growth and social change. It includes articles on the European movement of expansion discussed by Malowist and the activities of the Hungarian nobles as entrepreneurs discussed by Pach, and two articles on wider issues: Le Roy Ladurie on the history of climate, and Braudel, summing up the *Annales* programme, on the relation between history and the social sciences. This classic text was first published in 1972.

French Studies in and for the Twenty-first Century

Classic essays from the brilliant French economist and philosopher.

Books in Print

In this invaluable reference work, the world's foremost authorities on France's political, social, cultural, and intellectual history explore the history and meaning of the French Republic and the challenges it has faced. Founded in 1792, the French Republic has been defined and redefined by a succession of regimes and institutions, a multiplicity of symbols, and a plurality of meanings, ideas, and values. Although constantly in flux, the Republic has nonetheless produced a set of core ideals and practices fundamental to modern France's political culture and democratic life. Based on the influential *Dictionnaire critique de la république*, published in France in 2002, *The French Republic* provides an encyclopedic survey of French republicanism since the Enlightenment. Divided into three sections—Time and History, Principles and Values, and Dilemmas and Debates—*The French Republic* begins by examining each of France's five Republics and its two authoritarian interludes, the Second Empire and Vichy. It then offers thematic essays on such topics as Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity; laicity; citizenship; the press; immigration; decolonization; anti-Semitism; gender; the family; cultural policy; and the Muslim headscarf debates. Each essay includes a brief guide to

further reading. This volume features updated translations of some of the most important essays from the French edition, as well as twenty-two newly commissioned English-language essays, for a total of forty entries. Taken together, they provide a state-of-the art appraisal of French republicanism and its role in shaping contemporary France's public and private life.

Studies in the History of French Political Economy

Frédéric Bastiat (1801-1850) was a French classical liberal, economist and a politician. He was quintessential for the development of the libertarianism and the Austrian School. This volume contains the following of his essays: Capital And Interest That Which Is Seen, And That Which Is Not Seen Government What Is Money? The Law

French Liberalism from Montesquieu to the Present Day

Sets the working of the French political system in its historical, social and economic context.

French Industrial Relations in the New World Economy

Essays by six writers dealing with some of the significant changes that have taken place in France between 1930 and 1960.

Economy and Society in Early Modern Europe

This volume presents an overview of major cultural themes in contemporary France. The section on politics deals with the issue of political cohabitation, the evolution of the Communist Party, the environment, social systems and the European Union. In the social arena, the articles encompass the evolution of the family, benefits for the elderly, the education system, and the social implications of graffiti. The changing nature of French identity is brought to light through an analysis of the press and the debate on multiculturalism. A review of cultural issues includes the notion of leisure, the contemporary social novel, the cosmopolitan tradition in French film, and new cultural spaces. The work concludes with perceptions of France from the United States as seen through diplomatic relations and remakes of french films, and a final essay on France. The various articles include numerous bibliographic references and will be of great interest to Francophiles, academics, and students of French language and culture.

Essays on Political Economy

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The French Republic

How do European states adjust to international markets? Why do French governments of both left and right face a public confidence crisis? In this book, leading experts on France chart the dramatic changes that have taken place in its polity, economy and society since the 1980s and develop an analysis of social change relevant to all democracies.

Essays on Political Economy

At the time of its founding, few predicted that the Fifth Republic would survive. It is a regime whose obituary has been written several times over, but which stubbornly refuses to die. Adopting a chronological framework, this up-to-date study examines how the regime emerged out of the chaos of the Algerian crisis, how its political evolution has been very different from that envisaged by de Gaulle, and why it has endured.

Nicholas Atkin explains the success of the Fifth Republic but likewise illustrates the underlying problems within it. As the 2002 presidential elections have shown, although there is little prospect of regime change, liberal democracy is not in a particularly healthy state. While the political narrative takes centre stage, Atkin also explores the key social, economic and international developments which have shaped the modern history of France and affected its standing both in Europe and the rest of the world.

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This book analyses the evolution of the French model of capitalism in relation to the instability of socio-political compromises. In the 2010s, France was in a situation of systemic crisis, namely, the impossibility for political leadership to find a strategy of institutional change, or more generally a model of capitalism, that could gather sufficient social and political support. This book analyses the various attempts at reforming the French model since the 1980s, when the left tried briefly to orient the French political economy in a social-democratic/socialist direction before changing course and opting for a more orthodox macroeconomic and structural policy direction. The attempts of governments of the right to implement a radically neo-liberal structural policy also failed in the face of a significant social opposition. The enduring French systemic crisis is the expression of contradictions between the economic policies implemented by the successive left and right governments, and the existence of a dominant, social bloc, that is, a coalition of social groups that would politically support the dominant political strategy. Since 1978, both the right and the left have failed to find a solution to the contradictions between the policies they implemented and the expectations of their respective social bases, which are themselves inhabited by tensions and contradictions that evolve with the structural reforms that gradually transformed French capitalism.

Books in Print Supplement

Provides a detailed account of the political, economic, and cultural state of France and theorizes about the future of the country.

In Search of France

France

France at the dawn of the twenty-first century, trends and transformations

Publisher Description

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Political Traditions in Modern France offers a clear and accessible introduction to the modern French political system which differs from the narratives of conventional textbooks. It is an engaging account of the forces which have shaped political argument and practice in France since 1789. Its primary focus is the relationship between ideologies and political movements explored from a broad historical perspective. A critical examination of important features of French public life, including the nature of republicanism, nationalism, religion, and the role of intellectuals, provides the general setting for accounts on peace movements, and the political traditions of liberalism, socialism, gaullism, and communism. Rather than seeing France's political history as a process of rupture and fragmentation, this book emphasizes the elements of continuity, arguing in particular that ideology has often played a key role in bringing together parties and movements from different political horizons. It also highlights the role of ideas in the French political process and stresses the influence of history in shaping lines of political division.

Changing France

This is the first substantial reference work in English on the various forms that constitute "life writing." As this term suggests, the Encyclopedia explores not only autobiography and biography proper, but also letters, diaries, memoirs, family histories, case histories, and other ways in which individual lives have been recorded and structured. It includes entries on genres and subgenres, national and regional traditions from around the world, and important auto-biographical writers, as well as articles on related areas such as oral history, anthropology, testimonies, and the representation of life stories in non-verbal art forms.

The Fifth French Republic

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