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Editorial Review

Review

The section of terms as well as the difference between sexual orientation and gender identity up front is great—one of my challenges is trying to get the average student to come to terms with all the terms as well as try to understand that a gay male or lesbian does not have a gender identity disorder. The content is set out in a logical progression which allows the student to understand basic concepts before trying to integrate material. Good blend of content supported by research literature (especially Canadian research). The section on cross culture perspective was good especially the section on Sambian looking at how values and belief of various cultures around homosexuality influences the political views in areas where the culture is dominant which in turn influences acceptance. Good, clean description of laws around sexual assault. Really liked the section on incidence of sexual assault—I was surprised by some of the Canadian statistics which are contradictory to some other areas around the world. Also the various examples from around the world were useful to understand some of the diversity of issues around sexual assault. Well done! I was surprised at seeing several new Canadian studies included that I was not aware of. I also liked how the research was identified as being from e.g. University of Quebec researcher. Both chapters are appropriately written at a level that is appropriate for University and college courses. I also found that the content got more complex however the reading level remained at the same level.

Shaniff Esmail, University of Alberta

What stands out is that there is a pretty good amount of Canadian studies to round out the American data. This is very important to me as a teacher. I like the inclusion of the Canadian data very much. The chapter [9] contains relevant and current studies.

Dawn More, Algonquin College

The Rathus text is very impressive—at first glance it seems like it may be more comprehensive in dealing with issues than the Hyde book—and this is great. I was very impressed with the inclusion of very current and relevant issues like gay marriage in Canada and issues relating to sexuality and the internet.

University of Calgary

There was definitely a lot of Canadian content and the research quoted came from right across Canada which I thought was great. I felt the research was well done and the examples were excellent. Canadian content excellent.

Humber College

From the Back Cover

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