Politics in Wired Nations-Selected Writings Of Ithiel De Sola Pool

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Ithiel de Sola Pool was a pioneering social scientist, a distinguished scholar of the political process, and one of the most original thinkers in the development of the social sciences. Passionately engaged in politics, he continued his role of leadership throughout his life, building the MIT Political Science Department into an outstanding group. He organized international teams of social scientists and collaborated widely to develop the understanding of social change. He was a frequent adviser to governments as consultant and in-house critic, and a successful advocate of limits on government regulation. Politics in Wired Nations presents his writings on the social and political impact of different communication systems and new telecommunications technology. Included in this volume is the first study of trends in a global information society, and the first study of social networks and the "small world" phenomenon that creates new relationships and routes of informal influence and political power, both domestic and international. Pool's essays on the politics of foreign trade, the influence of American businessmen on Congress, and changeable "unnatural" institutions of the modern world (e.g., bureaucracies, mega-cities, and nation-states) are herein contained. Pool describes a nonviolent revolution in freedom and political control that is possible as the world changes from the era of one-way mass communications--targeted to national audiences--to a new era of abundant, high-capacity, low-cost, interactive, and user-controlled communications on a global scale. He discusses policy choices for freedom, the battlegrounds ahead, and the risks of government involvement in the regulation of new telecommunication technologies.

Politics in Wired Nations-Ithiel de Sola Pool 2017

Apprehending Politics-Marco Calavita 2006

From Warfare to Welfare-Jennifer S. Light 2005-09-19

During the early decades of the Cold War, large-scale investments in American defense and aerospace research and development spawned a variety of problem-solving techniques, technologies, and institutions. From systems analysis to reconnaissance satellites to think tanks, these innovations did not remain exclusive accessories of the defense establishment. Instead, they readily found civilian applications in both the private and public sector. City planning and management were no exception. Jennifer Light argues that the technologies and values of the Cold War fundamentally shaped the history of postwar urban America. From Warfare to Welfare documents how American intellectuals, city leaders, and the federal government chose to attack problems in the nation's cities by borrowing techniques and technologies first designed for military engagement with foreign enemies. Experiments in urban problem solving adapted the expertise of defense professionals to face new threats: urban chaos, blight, and social unrest. Tracing the transfer of innovations from military to city planning and management, Light reveals how a continuing source of inspiration for American city administrators lay in the nation's preparations for war.

The Handbook of Internet Studies-Mia Consalvo 2011-05-09

The Handbook of Internet Studies brings together scholars from a variety of fields to explore the profound shift that has occurred in how we communicate and experience our world as we have moved from the industrial era into the age of digital media. Presents a wide range of original essays by established scholars in everything from online ethics to ways in which indigenous peoples now use the Internet Looks at the role of the internet in modern societies, and the continuing development of internet studies as an academic field Explores Internet studies through history, society, culture, and the future of online media Provides introductory frameworks to ground and orientate the student, while also providing more experienced scholars with a convenient and comprehensive overview of the latest trends and critical directions in the many areas of Internet research

The Future Security Environment in the Middle East-Nora Bensahel 2004-03-12

This report
identifies several important trends that are shaping regional security. It examines traditional security concerns, such as energy security and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, as well as newer challenges posed by political reform, economic reform, civil-military relations, leadership change, and the information revolution. The report concludes by identifying the implications of these trends for U.S. foreign policy.

Entangled Evolutions-Peter Gross 2002-05-08 The revolutions of 1989 swept away Eastern Europe's communist governments and created expectations on the part of many observers that post-communist media would lead the liberated societies in establishing and embracing democratic political cultures. Peter Gross finds that it was utopian to hold such expectations of the media in societies in transition. On the one hand, those countries' media professionals had all learned their jobs under the communist regimes and could not instantly transform themselves into guides for a politically enabled populace, Gross argues. On the other hand, newcomers to the media world, even those who were notable literary figures, viewed themselves as social and political leaders rather than mere informers and facilitators of the resocialization required to form new democracies. The news media have remained highly politicized and partisan. So how are the media, civil society, and political culture related in societies in transition? And can changes in these relationships be anticipated? To address these questions, Entangled Evolutions examines media in post-1989 Eastern Europe. It studies the effects of privatization of the media, journalists' relations to political figures, institutional structures such as media laws, professional journalistic culture, and the media's relation to their market. Sources include interviews with journalists and politicians, sociological and political data from national surveys, and media audience studies.

Digital Diplomacy-Wilson P. Dizard 2001 Dizard provides a comprehensive overview of the new importance of computer-based resources in foreign policy. He documents the growing importance of information technologies in such global policy areas as national security, trade, finance, human rights, and science. He also describes how new technologies are transforming the ways in which foreign policy is carried out in Washington and at overseas missions.

The Selfless Leader-Stephen Brookes 2015-12-01 A brand new textbook that explores leadership from the perspective of collective leadership. It provides a brief historical background to the development of leadership as a discipline and then discusses the evolution and applications of collective leadership. Grounded in solid academic research, with topical real-work examples and case studies.

Economy of Force-Patricia Owens 2015-08-27 A provocative new history of counterinsurgency with major implications for the history and theory of war, but also the history of social, political and international thought and social, political and international studies more generally. This book will interest scholars and advanced students in the humanities and social sciences.

Cult of the Irrelevant-Michael Desch 2021-09-28 How professionalization and scholarly "rigor" made social scientists increasingly irrelevant to US national security policy To mobilize America’s intellectual resources to meet the security challenges of the post-9/11 world, US Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates observed that “we must again embrace eggheads and ideas.” But the gap between national security policymakers and international relations scholars has become a chasm. In Cult of the Irrelevant, Michael Desch traces the history of the relationship between the Beltway and the Ivory Tower from World War I to the present day. Recounting key Golden Age academic strategists such as Thomas Schelling and Walt Rostow, Desch’s narrative shows that social science research became most oriented toward practical problem-solving during times of war and that scholars returned to less relevant work during peacetime. Social science disciplines like political science rewarded work that was methodologically sophisticated over scholarship that engaged with the messy realities of national security policy, and academic culture increasingly turned away from the job of solving real-world problems. In the name of scientific objectivity, academics today frequently engage only in basic research that they hope will somehow trickle down to policymakers. Drawing on the lessons of this history as well as a unique survey of current and former national security policymakers, Desch offers concrete recommendations for scholars who want to shape...
government work. The result is a rich intellectual history and an essential wake-up call to a field that has lost its way.

New Common Ground–Amitai Etzioni 2011 Toward a new consensus on rights and responsibilities. Childhood, Mobile Technologies and Everyday Experiences–E. Bond 2014-06-25 This timely volume offers an in-depth theoretical analysis of children’s experiences growing up with mobile internet technologies. Drawing on up-to-date research, it explores the relationship between childhood as a social and cultural construction and the plethora of mobile internet technologies which have become ubiquitous in everyday life.

Informatics in the Future–Hannes Werthner 2017-05-30 This book is open access under a CC BY-NC 4.0 license. This volume discusses the prospects and evolution of informatics (or computer science), which has become the operating system of our world, and is today seen as the science of the information society. Its artifacts change the world and its methods have an impact on how we think about and perceive the world. Classical computer science is built on the notion of an “abstract” machine, which can be instantiated by software to any concrete problem-solving machine, changing its behavior in response to external and internal states, allowing for self-reflective and “intelligent” behavior. However, current phenomena such as the Web, cyber physical systems or the Internet of Things show us that we might already have gone beyond this idea, exemplifying a metamorphosis from a stand-alone calculator to the global operating system of our society. Thus computer scientists will need to reconsider the foundations of their discipline to realize the full potential of our field.

Taking often contradictory developments into consideration, researchers will not be able to tackle specific technological or methodological problems in the future without also a broader reflection on their field. The papers in this book take a first step forward and reflect on these issues from different perspectives. The broad spectrum of topics includes Informatics: a discipline with a (short) history and a high impact Interdisciplinarity: how to do research Ethics: what is our responsibility Diversity: why are there so few women in informatics Combining informatics, history and art: a special contribution. This book is intended for all informatics researchers, in academia as well as in industry. It is our responsibility – not only as scientists but also as citizens – to make the public aware of the dichotomies and dialectic relationships of computer science.

The Yankee Road–James D. McNiven 2015-04

Imagining the Internet–Janna Quitney Anderson 2005-07-21 In the early 1990s, people predicted the death of privacy, an end to the current concept of “property,” a paperless society, 500 channels of high-definition interactive television, world peace, and the extinction of the human race after a takeover engineered by intelligent machines. Imagining the Internet zeroes in on predictions about the Internet’s future and revisits past predictions—and how they turned out. It gives the history of communications in a nutshell, illustrating the serious impact of pervasive networks and how they will change our lives over the next century.

Humane Politics and Methods of Inquiry–Ithiel de Sola Pool 2011-12-31 Ithiel de Sola Pool was a distinguished scholar of the political process, and one of the most original thinkers in the development of an integrated social science. This volume focuses upon his contributions to the development of research methods that deepen our understanding of human behavior. The book is divided into five parts treating the analysis of communications, computer simulation, forecasting, network theory, and the social sciences in political contexts. The first part considers the problems and possibilities of analysis raised by the unprecedented quantity of data made available by widespread and improved communications technology; what should be counted and how should inferences be made. Part two explores computer simulation in the study of presidential election patterns and how it can provide in-depth analyses of crisis situations in history. Part three focuses on strategies for predicting the future of international politics and methods to forecast the impacts of new communications technologies, while part four offers a rigorous analysis of domestic and global contact networks and the so-called “small world” phenomenon. Part five is concerned with external challenges to the use of social science to create more humane politics, including the question of value neutrality, ideology, “deconstructive” critical theory, and threats by government to
the health of universities. In a concluding essay Lloyd Etheredge draws upon Pool's work to discuss several new ways in which the methods treated in this volume can be applied to contemporary social change.

Intermediality and Media Change-Juha Herkman 2012 Abstract: This book is about intermediality as an approach to analysing and understanding media change. Intermediality and Media Change is critical of technological determinism that characterises 'new media discourse' about the ongoing digitalization, framed as a revolution and creating sharp contrasts between old and new media. Intermediality instead emphasises paying attention to continuities between media of all types and privileges a comparative perspective on technological changes in media over time and space. The concept of intermediality refers to interaction and interrelationships between media. This focus is important in two ways. It strengthens the mutual construction and articulation of media (forms) as a vital element of the research agenda. In contrast to the emphasis on convergence, it also permits the consideration of the parallel construction and articulation of specific features and identities that characterise a medium, as well as the emergence of new divergences. Intermediality and Media Change studies intermediality from both theoretical and empirical perspectives. The book starts by positioning intermediality as a theory and a methodological approach. The first group of articles focuses on critical reflection of media and mediation as concepts. The second group deals with intermediality in discourses about media change. The third group concentrates on analysis of representative cases, and the fourth group focuses on media institutions and professions.

Political Commentators in the United States in the 20th Century-Dan D. Nimmo 1997 Devoid of technical jargon, this bio-critical sourcebook is a unique accounting of the careers of significant political commentators of the 20th century, including print and broadcast journalists, scholars, and political consultants. It offers insights into the rise and demise of political commentary, and future possibilities for an informed citizenry. In 40 separate bio-critiques covering 42 of the 20th century's most significant political commentators, this book traces the evolution of technical political commentary through four phases: the didactic phase of commentary via the newspaper columnist, 1914-1928; the interpretive phase associated with broadcast commentary during the golden age of radio, 1929-1948; the entertainment phase of the TV era, 1949-1980; and the opinionated phase ushered in by the diversification and proliferation of targeted communications media in the final two decades of the century. The volume describes in detail the achievements and failures of each communicator's career in contributing to the rise and demise of political commentary across the four phases of development.

Research in Education- 1973

Resources in education- 1994-06

Active Citizen Participation in E-Government: A Global Perspective-Manoharan, Aroon 2012-02-29 "This book focuses on the issues and challenges involving adoption and implementation of online civic engagement initiatives globally and will serve as a valuable guide to governments in their efforts to enable active citizen participation"--Provided by publisher.

E-Government and Information Technology Management-Marc Holzer 2019-01-01 E-Government and Information Technology Management is an essential textbook for graduate and undergraduate programs across the world that are taking steps to incorporate courses on e-government/IT as they prepare their students to join the public sector workforce. The book also serves as a comprehensive guide for the growing body of researchers and practitioners in e-government. The text is comprised of 12 chapters from e-government experts, all written in a clear writing style that balances theory and practice. Each chapter provides background information, critical resources, and emerging trends. Along with questions for class discussion, each chapter includes cases to demonstrate the importance of these areas to practitioners, researchers, and students of technology management and public affairs administration.

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the e-government evolution in terms of real-life success and failure cases"—Provided by publisher.

Communication Revolution—Robert W. McChesney 2007 A provocative critique of media studies by the author of the award-winning Rich Media, Poor Democracy is a historical analysis that evaluates the communication revolution currently influencing twenty-first-century life, arguing that media scholarship has become increasingly irrelevant and requires new perspectives on the role and understanding of communication studies.

The Message and the Medium—Glenda Nadine Morgan 2002

Encyclopedia of American Cultural & Intellectual History—Gale Group 2001 A study of American thought and culture throughout history examines the individuals and documents that revealed significant ideas, issues, and movements.

Concepts and Strategies in International Human Rights—George J. Andreopoulos 2002 Although the celebrations surrounding the fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) highlighted some remarkable achievements in the human rights movement, the international community must remain cognizant of a whole new array of unprecedented challenges. These challenges relate to the relevance of the conceptual framework within which the human rights movement has been operating as well as to the need for effective strategies of promotion and protection.

Communications and Political Development. (SPD-1)—Lucian W. Pye 2015-12-08 These essays by 11 outstanding scholars are "a valuable and stimulating contribution to an aspect of contemporary political development—the use, neglect, or abuse of communication—which does not receive sufficient attention. Originally published in 1963. The Princeton Legacy Library uses the latest print-on-demand technology to again make available previously out-of-print books from the distinguished backlist of Princeton University Press. These editions preserve the original texts of these important books while presenting them in durable paperback and hardcover editions. The goal of the Princeton Legacy Library is to vastly increase access to the rich scholarly heritage found in the thousands of books published by Princeton University Press since its founding in 1905.

Technology Diffusion and Adoption: Global Complexity, Global Innovation—Zolait, Ali Hussein Saleh 2013-01-31 Technology Diffusion and Adoption: Global Complexity, Global Innovation discusses the emerging topics of information technology and the IT based solutions in global and multi-cultural environments. This comprehensive collection addresses the aspects of innovation diffusion in the field of business computing technologies and is essential for researchers, practitioners, academicians and educators all over the world.


Handbook of Research on Political Activism in the Information Age—Solo, Ashu M. G. 2014-05-31 Technology, and particularly the Internet, has caused many changes in the realm of politics. Mainstream media no longer has a monopoly on political commentary as social media, blogs, and user-generated video streaming sites have emerged as an outlet for citizens and political activists to openly voice their opinions, organize political demonstrations, and network online. The Handbook of Research on Political Activism in the Information Age includes progressive research from more than 39 international experts at universities and research institutions across 15 different countries. Each of the 25 scholarly chapter contributions focus on topics pertaining to the application of information technology, engineering, and mathematics to political activism. Through its analysis of the methods for political activism in the information age, the effectiveness of these methods, as well as emerging analytical tools, this book is designed for use by researchers, activists, political scientists, engineers, computer scientists, journalists, professors, students and professionals working in the fields of politics, e-government, media and communications, and Internet marketing.

Connections—James Everett Katz 2003 Perhaps no other technology has done so much to so many, but been studied by so few, as the telephone. Connections presents a series of studies, which give
greater visibility to this important element in modern life. Katz examines how the telephone reveals gender relations in a way not predicted by feminist theories, how it can be used to protect and invade personal privacy, and how people harness telephone answering machines to their advantage. Katz's inquiry reports on obscene phone calls, the abuses of caller-ID technology, and attitudes toward voice mail.

Wired and Mobilizing-Victoria Carty 2010-09-13 This book highlights how online networking offers potential for new forms of activist mobilizing, repertoire, participatory democracy, direct action, fundraising, and civic engagement. It calls for a re-conceptualization of some of the main tenets of contentious and electoral politics, which were originally constructed to describe and analyze face-to-face forms of mobilization, in order to more accurately analyze contemporary forms of protest, electoral processes, and civil society organizing.

Internet Policy in China-Helen Sun 2012-07-10 Internet Policy in China: A Field Study of Internet Cafés reports the results of a multi-layered study of the Internet café phenomenon in the People's Republic of China. Helen Sun investigates how the Internet has been used by the state and individuals, as well as the implications of Chinese Internet policies and regulations.


JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION -Volume II-Rashmi Luthra 2009-05-12 Journalism and Mass Communication is the component of Encyclopedia of Social Sciences and Humanities in the global Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems (EOLSS), which is an integrated compendium of twenty one Encyclopedias. The Theme on Journalism and Mass Communication deals, in two volumes and cover five main topics, with a myriad of issues of great relevance to our world such as: Evolution of Journalism and Mass Communication; Evolution of Mass Communication: Mass Communication and Sustainable Futures; The Internet as a Mass Communication Medium; Management and Future of Mass Communications and Media; Communication Strategies for Sustainable Societies, which are then expanded into multiple subtopics, each as a chapter. These two volumes are aimed at the following five major target audiences: University and College Students Educators, Professional Practitioners, Research Personnel and Policy Analysts, Managers, and Decision Makers, NGOs and GOs.

Yearbook of International Organizations- 1996 Beginning in 1983/84 published in 3 vols., with expansion to 6 vols. by 2007/2008: vol. 1--Organization descriptions and cross references; vol. 2--Geographic volume: international organization participation; vol. 3--Subject volume; vol. 4--Bibliography and resources; vol. 5--Statistics, visualizations and patterns; vol. 6--Who's who in international organizations. (From year to year some slight variations in naming of the volumes).

Counterpublics and the State-Robert Asen 2001-09-27 Explores antagonistic encounters between people, both individuals and groups, and governments.
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