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Strategies Daniel Bates, Judith Tucker, Ludomir Lozny, 2023-05-31 This book introduces students to cultural anthropology with an emphasis on environmental and evolutionary approaches focusing on how humans adapt to their environment and how the environment shapes culture. It shows how cultures evolve within the context of people's strategies for surviving and thriving in their environments. This approach is widely used among scholars as a cross-disciplinary tool that rewards students with valuable insights into contemporary developments. Drawing on anthropological case studies, the authors address immediate human concerns such as the costs and consequences of human energy requirements, environmental change and degradation, population pressure, social and economic equity and planned and unplanned change. Impacts of increasingly rapid climatic change on equitable access to resources and issues of human rights are discussed throughout. Towards the end of the book, the student is drawn into a challenging thought experiment addressing the possible impacts of climatic warming on Middle America in the year 2040. All chapters conclude with Summary, Key Terms and Suggested Readings. This book is an ideal text for students of introductory anthropology and archaeology, environmental studies, world history and human and cultural ecology courses. **Routledge Library Editions: Security and Society** Various, 2021-09-30 This 12-volume set contains titles originally published between 1934 and 1995. An eclectic mix of titles, this collection draws from anthropology, economics, ethics, politics, psychology and sociology. Exploring security in both war and peacetime, it includes volumes looking at the causes of war and its effect on society as a whole, the soldiers themselves and their place in society, the portrayal of war in the press, both in words and photographs and the politics behind them. **The Dilemma Of Amazonian Development**

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law confer important reproductive advantages to those who are endowed with them increasing in frequency in the population The author has coined the term parental choice to describe the sexual selection force that arises from parental control over mating He synthesizes extensive theoretical and empirical work in order to understand and model this force The aim is to understand which factors give rise to parental choice and to combine these insights into constructing a more formal model It also aims to further examine whether the predictions of the model fit the patterns of mating found across different types of human societies and how the model can be used to understand the evolution of behavioral traits involved in mating By synthesizing the various arguments put forward and published across the literature the book offers a comprehensive argument and overview of an aspect of sexual selection unique to our species Furthermore the book revises and extends previously made arguments and models while it provides useful insights on how the proposed revision of sexual selection theory can enable us to understand a wide range of human behavioral phenomena It should be key reading for those interested in studying sexual selection in general and in the Homo sapiens species in particular *Military Review* ,2017

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so they reveal why previous attempts at ending war have failed and make proactive suggestions toward the development of a new agenda for world peace

Human Population Biology Michael A. Little, Jere D. Haas, 1989 This book is a careful integration of the social and biological sciences drawing on anthropology biology human ecology and medicine to provide a comprehensive understanding of how our species adapts to natural and man made environments Part I presents techniques to adapt and apply demographic methods to small populations particularly important for studying non Western populations Part II discusses the relationship of medical genetics to human adaptability and patterns of disease in non Western populations Part III covers capacity climatic stress and nutrition Part IV presents methods for growth assessment and prediction and addresses the topic of aging The final section Part V presents integrated case studies of human adaptation to high altitude and patterns of modernization and stress resulting from cultural change

Professional Generalism in a Hyper-specialised World Nektarios Karanikas, 2025-04-01 This book challenges the notion that extreme professional expertise is the only path to success advocating instead for the concept of professional generalism as a complementary approach It brings together ideas from various disciplines offering insights relevant to all professionals regardless of specialisation The chapters of the book explore concepts and frameworks that are not typically discussed together in a single work and challenge the reader to test and contextualise them The book aims to inspire professionals to explore principles beyond their usual scope and to recognise opportunities to integrate concepts from other disciplines into their practice It encourages readers to consider how different approaches and perspectives can intersect and complement each other breaking down professional silos and fostering a more interconnected way of thinking Rather than promoting simplistic or middle ground solutions the book emphasises the value of considering diverse perspectives and approaches recognising that different contexts may require different paradigms It encourages readers to embrace complexity and diversity fostering a holistic and nuanced perspective essential for navigating today's interconnected professional landscapes

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unavailable elsewhere **Competition** P.A. Keddy, 2012-12-06 Competition is one of the most important factors controlling the distribution and abundance of living creatures Sperm cells racing up reproductive tracts beetle larvae battling inside single seeds birds defending territories and trees interfering with the light available to neighbours are all engaged in competition for limited resources Along with predation and mutualism competition is one of the three major biological forces that assemble living communities Recent experimental work much of it only from the last few decades has enhanced human knowledge of the prevalence of competition in nature There are acacia trees that use ants to damage vines beetles that compete in arenas for access to dung balls tadpoles that apparently poison their neighbours birds that smash the eggs of potential competitors and plants that associate with fungi in order to increase access to soil resources While intended as an up to date reference work on the state of this branch of ecology the many non technical examples will make interesting reading for those with a general interest in nature Greatly expanded from the first prize winning edition there are entirely new chapters including one on resources and another on competition gradients in nature The author freely ranges across all major taxonomic groups in search of evidence The question of whether competition occurs is no longer useful the author maintains rather the challenge is to determine when and where each kind of competition is important in natural systems For this reason variants of competition such as intensity asymmetry and hierarchies are singled out for particular attention The book concludes with the difficulties of finding general principles in complex ecological communities and illustrates the limitations on knowledge that arise out of the biased conduct of scientists themselves Competition can be found elsewhere in living systems other than ecological communities at sub microscopic scales in the interactions of enzymes and neural pathways and over large geographic areas in the spread of human populations and contrasting ideas about the world Human societies are therefore also examined for evidence of the kinds of competition found among other living organisms Using an array of historical examples including Biblical conflicts the use of noblemen's sons in the Crusades the Viking raids in Europe strategic bombing campaigns in the Second World War and ethnic battles of the Balkans the book illustrates how most of the aspects of competition illustrated with plants and animals can be extended to the interactions of human beings and their societies

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