

Pierre Bourdieu was one of the most influential social thinkers of the past half-century, known for his theoretical and methodological contributions and his wide-ranging empirical investigations into colonial power in Algeria, the educational system in France, the forms of state power, and the history of artistic and scientific fields—among many other topics. Despite the depth and breadth of his influence, however, Bourdieu's legacy has yet to be assessed in a comprehensive manner. *The Oxford Handbook of Pierre Bourdieu* fills this gap by offering a sweeping overview of Bourdieu's impact on the social sciences and humanities.

Thomas Medvetz and Jeffrey J. Sallaz have gathered a diverse array of leading scholars who place Bourdieu's work in the wider scope of intellectual history, trace the development of his thought, offer original interpretations and critical engagement, and discuss the likely impact of his ideas on future social research. The *Handbook* highlights Bourdieu's contributions to established areas of research—including the study of markets, the law, cultural production, and politics—and illustrates how his concepts have generated new fields and objects of study.