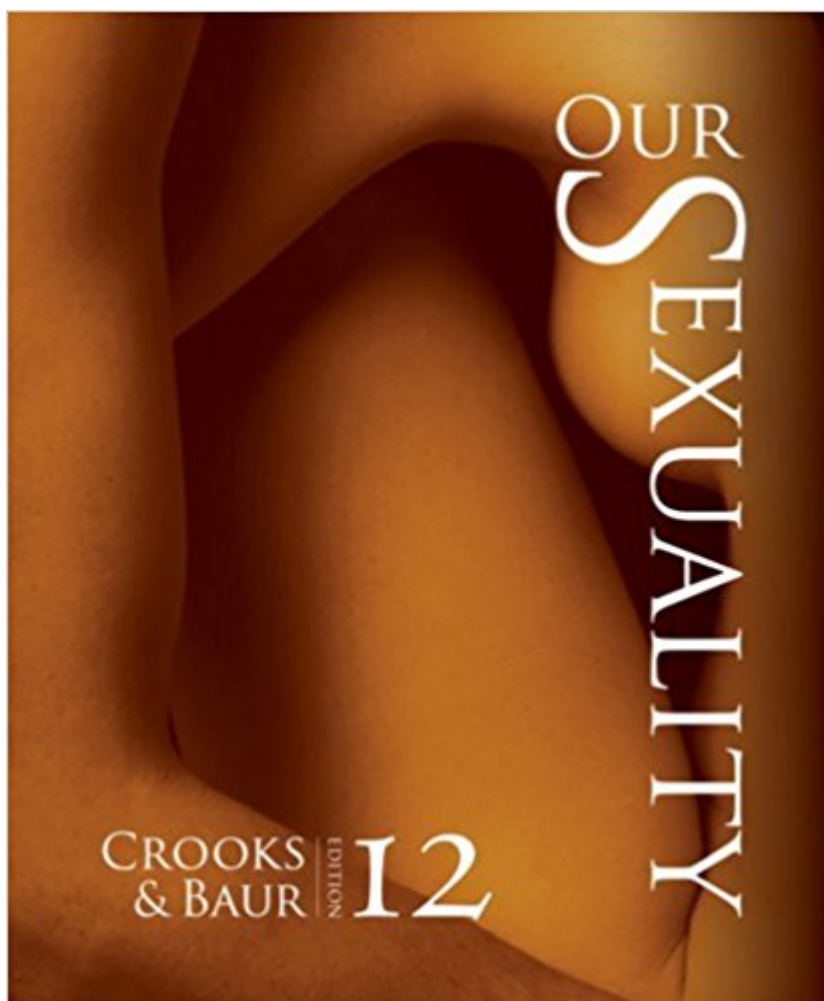


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# Our Sexuality



## Synopsis

This is the most respected and authoritative college textbook available on human sexuality. Written in a direct, non-judgmental manner, this edition of OUR SEXUALITY has been thoroughly and carefully updated to reflect the most current research findings. It is the first college text to bring cutting-edge and in-depth emphasis on the impact of politics on sexuality. Crooks and Baur keep you interested with the most exciting, emerging research and coverage, and focus on strengthening healthy communication among partners. The authors also have revised their overall coverage on maintaining a responsible and healthy sexual relationship, with greater attention to diversity and inclusiveness.

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## Customer Reviews

"The text is an excellent source for learning about sex from both a scientific and practical perspective. It helps students learn how to be more comfortable with their sexuality and appreciate the consequences of misuse of their sexuality." "The writing style is very good. Crooks and Baur are able to make complex topics understandable to the reader in a manner few textbook authors can." "When I first started using this textbook, I chose it because it is scholarly, organized, and easily understandable, but I have continued to use it because of positive student feedback. I have had students tell me every semester, without fail, that they plan to keep this textbook for future reference and will not sell it back to the bookstore." --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

The integration of psychological, social, and biological components of human sexuality in this text is facilitated by the authors' combined academic and professional backgrounds. Robert Crooks has a Ph.D. in psychology. His graduate training stressed clinical and physiological psychology, and he has considerable background in sociology. His involvement with teaching human sexuality classes at the university, college, and medical school levels spans over two decades. Bob and his wife, Sami Tucker, have been involved in the establishment and implementation of HIV/AIDS intervention programs in two areas of Kenya, one in the central region and one in a coastal area. Over the previous 12 years their work with these projects includes designing a research strategy for assessing behavior change, developing a peer educator-based educational strategy, and conducting training sessions for Kenyan peer educator staff. Over many years they have traveled to Africa frequently and devoted many months to the evolving Kenyan programs. Karla Baur has a master's degree in social work; her advanced academic work stressed clinical training. She is a licensed clinical social worker in private practice, specializing in couples and sex therapy. Karla has provided clinical supervision, seminars, and lectures for other mental health therapists and professional groups. She has taught human sexuality and female sexuality classes at Portland Community College, Portland State University, and Clark College. At Oregon Health Sciences University she taught a human sexuality course and coached medical students in taking sexual histories with patients. Karla was also involved in a six-week program in Kenya to train HIV/AIDS Prevention Peer Educators. She has been certified as a sex educator, therapist, and sex therapy supervisor by the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors, and Therapists. She is currently developing a play about the nuances and complexities of male sexuality with her collaborator, composer/writer Fred Strong.

I rented the kindle edition for a required course. It feels awkward to say that I liked this book, based on its title, but it did provide so much information in a concise and educational manner...on so many detailed topics, that I did end up liking it, and thus it deserves at least a four star rating. There is modern information in the text, as well as historic information. For example, I did not realize 1 out of three women giving birth these days are having c-sections while ten years ago it was 1 in 5 women. While there is a lot of focus on preventing diseases and teen pregnancy, the US is the lead for teen pregnancies and abortion. It touches base on price of services that people must pay as a reference of the financial burden it is on every person. It isn't all biologically based either. A whole topic goes over communication issues, relationships, love, marriage, divorce, remarriage rates, DSM sexual

disorders, porn, workplace issues, brothels, experiments, research findings, schools, potentials for the future, and more. This book is information overload on a lot of topics. My eyes got really wide with inhaling gasps throughout the book and, based on societies perceptions on the topic of the book, and that it would be embarrassing to be seen reading it or eyeballing pictures in it. However, it really should not be that way, rather this information should be common knowledge, and learned a lot earlier in life than when I had to read it.

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This was required reading for one of my wife's college courses. It was exactly what the course required.

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Great price on a required textbook.

Delivery was Quick and Convenient because it arrived just before I started class. However, this book has LOTS of great information especially helpful for clueless young adults. Definitely a book to review before young adults consider having sex AND tested for knowledge on all the diseases that exist today. Knowledge is power!

Useful book. I took this course from a great instructor and the Kindle textbook is amazing!!!! I loved being able to look up key words and phrases when auditing and for open book quizzes. Plus not needing to carry a heavy paper textbook was Awesome! Please do more digital/kindle textbooks!

I had to get this book for a Psych class and it's the only book I'm keeping at the end of the semester. It's a 12th edition and there have been a few changes since it was printed in the last year in the area of Atypical behavior most everything is current as it isn't that old. Great overview when dealing with the complexity of sexuality.

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