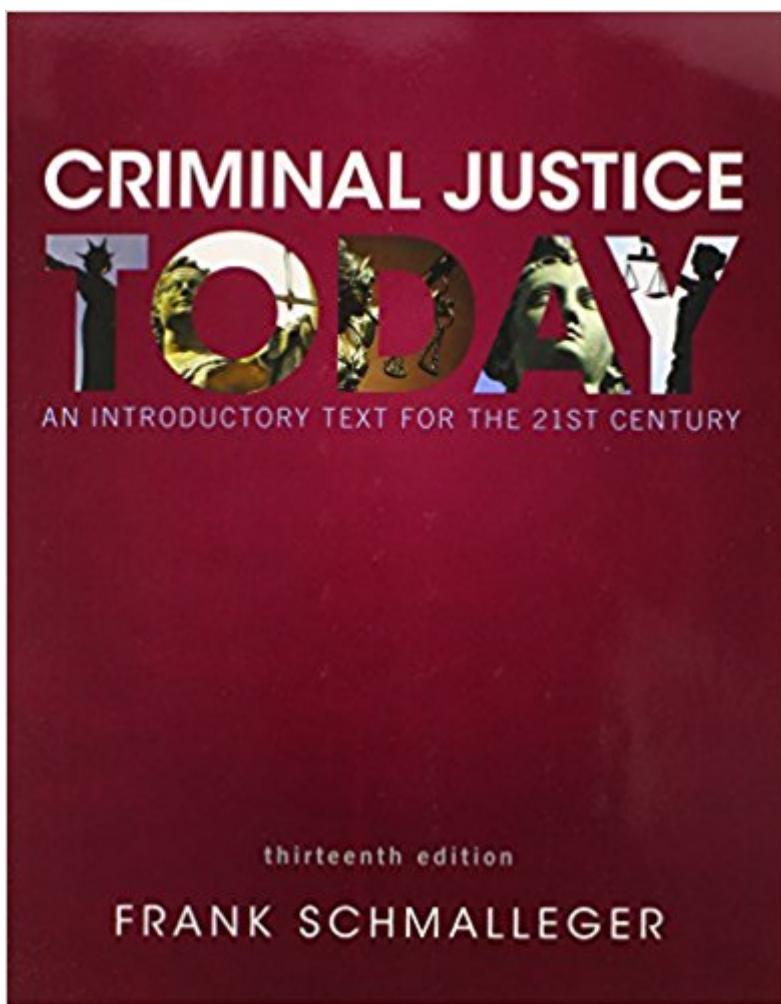


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Customer Reviews

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Eh...it's okay for a textbook, but Schmalleger's style gets a little personal and biased sometimes, I was kind of surprised. Several times he puts things as fact in the textbook that are really matters of opinion, or don't present all sides of an issue. Almost everything of use you get from this book is vocabulary, anyways - and all of the vocabulary from Intro to Criminal Justice type classes is on dozens of different Quizlet flash card sites, just Google them. Most of the notes I took were from my teacher's Powerpoints, and were far more useful.

I purchased this text for consideration in one of my intro to criminal justice classes. If you are looking for the basics and the same old same old in a CJ text, you won't be disappointed. For years criminal justice education has been changing and unfortunately this author and others like him are resistant to that change. There needs to be a more creative way to teach criminal just at the intro level than by pumping students full of facts when they cannot think for themselves. Many of us are looking for something that will enhance problem solving and original thinking. This old method of "I tell you, now tell me back" is not education. There needs to be something better than this!

Bought this book "new" NOT used however obvious wear and tears were on it.

Great college study book.

I thought this book was going to be in somewhat not so great condition! How WRONG I was to think that! This book is in amazing condition and it really helped me with my Introduction to Criminal Justice class! It was convenient! I did not have to keep opening up the book online. I take online classes and sometimes we are not given "textbooks" to use physically. They download the books so that we can use them. The only issue I have with this method is that when I need to look for information, I have to keep opening up the book and it can be a pain in the keister! When I saw the price of this textbook, I knew I had better order it, since it was the last one available! I paid \$.99 cents for it! The shipping and handling was \$3.99! AMAZING! :-) Altogether, I paid a whopping \$4.98 for a \$150.00 textbook! Thank you,.com for letting me purchase a very expensive textbook for a whole lot less! I would recommend using .com for ordering your textbooks! Thank you again, .com! :-) :* >:D

This book was used for a class, but I really enjoyed the information and the way that it was written was very easy to follow. It arrived on time and was packaged very well.

Book was in excellent condition however I had to return it. It says "new" but it DOES NOT contain access codes for Pearson Labs. If you need a text w/ access codes don't buy it unless you want to buy the access separately on top of it. If you don't need the Pearson codes it was perfect.

This book was amazing for what I used it for. It gives a broad general overview of the entire criminal justice system. It has tons of pictures and charts, which helps with the learning of the material covered inside. I used this book in college for an introductory course to the Criminal Justice program and I could not think of a better book than this one for that type of course. Whether you are taking that program or just want to understand the basics of the criminal justice system I would recommend this book to you.

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