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A Complexity Theory For Public Policy

**The authors in
this edited
volume gathered
in Rotterdam in
June 2011 to
discuss how the
complexity**

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**sciences can
contribute to
pertinent
questions in the
domains of
Public
Administration
and Public
Policy. Together,
they present an
overview of the
diverse state of**

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**the art in thinking
about and
research in
complex systems
in the public
domain.**

**This book is a
major
advancement in
the area of
complexity and
corporate**

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**governance. By
bringing together
a range of
leading experts
in the fields of
complexity and
corporate
governance, this
book manages to
knowledgeably
wed the
emerging field of**

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complex systems thinking with the more established area of corporate governance. It brings a range of new and exciting concepts, such as emergence, co-evolution and selforganisation, and integrates

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**them into an
overarching and
holistic
understanding of
corporate
governance that
is a clear benefit
to corporate
actors and
stakeholders.
The book is a
major resource**

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**for both
academic and
practitioner
audiences.
The application
of complexity
theory to
management and
the social
sciences has
been a key
development in**

**theory and
practice over the
last decade. This
approach
questions the
possibility of
finding universal
methods of
practice, and
proposes a
pragmatic and
humanistic**

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management
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**style that evolves
out of a reflective
method. The
focus is on
practitioners
observing
patterns of
similarity and
being adaptable
in decision-
making. Bringing**

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**complexity
theory into
management
reveals the
importance of
organizational
culture and
effective
communication
because people,
their values and
their objectives**

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**are at the heart
of this method.
Information
technology
provides a
framework for
complex
communication
and knowledge
use, but it cannot
replace highly
developed**

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**professional
negotiations and
cooperation. This
book argues that
the complexity of
the public
service world
limits the
usefulness of
classical and
rational scientific
management**

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**approaches such
as New Public
Management.
Excessive
marketization
threatens a
collaborative
approach and
overly rigid
approaches to
performance
management and**

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**strategic
management can
be dysfunctional.
Managing
Complexity in the
Public Services
2nd Edition
advances a
method of
management
practice that
copes with the**

**stark realities of
the complex and
unpredictable
public policy
world. It
develops
pragmatic
management
practices from
action research
that will be
valuable to both**

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academics and practitioners. The result is a new value-based practice for the post-crisis public service world. The book is the first of its kind to provide a comparative analysis of the

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**provision of
social and public
services in
France, Italy,
Germany, the UK
and Norway. This
volume, co-
authored by
leading national
experts, topically
examines
whether, when,**

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**how and why the
delivery of social
and public
services, which
was historically a
responsibility of
local authorities,
has been
significantly
shifted to
marketized and
commodified**

forms. However, despite this considerable change, there have been recent indications of re-municipalisation in some sectors. Combining both cross-country and cross-policy co.

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**Complexity and
Public Policy**

Cormac

McCarthy

Religious

Complexity in the

Public Sphere

Whole Systems

Approaches to

Criminal Justice

and Social Work

Understanding

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**Public Policy
Handbook of
Public
Administration**

Since the publication of the previous edition, the best-selling Handbook of Public Administration enters its third

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edition with
substantially
revised, updated,
and expanded
coverage of
public
administration
history, theory,
and practice.

Edited by
preeminent
authorities in the
field, this work is

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unparalleled in its
thorough
coverage and
comprehensive
references. This
handbook
examines the
major areas in
public
administration
including public
budgeting and
financial

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management,
human resourcemen
anagement,
decision making,
public law and
regulation, and
political economy.
Providing a strong
platform for
further research
and advancement
in the field, this
book is a

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necessity for anyone involved in public administration, policy, and management.

This edition includes entirely new chapters on information technology and conduct of inquiry. In each

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area of public administration, there are two bibliographic treatises written from different perspectives. The first examines the developments in the field. The second analyzes theories, concepts, or ideas

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in the field's
literature.

This book is an
empirical
comparative
study of the
complexity of
religion in the
public spheres of
the five Nordic
countries. The
result of a five-
year collaborative

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research project,
the work
examines how
increasingly
religiously diverse
Nordic societies
regulate, debate,
and negotiate
religion in the
state, the polity,
the media, and
civil society. The
project finds that

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there are seemingly contradictory religious trends at different social levels: a growing secularization at the individual level, and a deprivatization of religion in politics, the media, and civil society. It

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offers a critique of the current theories of secularization and the return of religion, introducing religious complexity as an alternative concept to understand these paradoxes. This

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book is for
scholars,
students, and
readers with an
interest in
understanding
the public role of
religion in the
West.

Advances in
public
management
sciences have

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long indicated the empirical finding that the normal state of public management systems is complex and that its dynamics are non-linear.

Complex systems are subject to system pressures, system shocks,

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chance events,
path-dependency
and self-
organisation.
Arguing that
complexity is an
ever-present
characteristic of
our developed
societies and
governance
systems that
should be

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accepted,
understood and
adopted into
management
strategies, the
original essays
collected in this
book aim to
increase our
understanding of
complex
governance
processes and to

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propose new strategies for how public managers can deal with complexity in order to achieve high-quality research. The authors collected here use theoretical frameworks grounded in

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empirical
research to
analyze and
explain how non-
linear dynamics,
self-organisation
of many agents
and the co-
evolution of
processes
combine to
generate the
evolution of

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governance
processes,
especially for
public urban and
metropolitan
investments.

Managing
Complex
Governance
Systems:
Dynamics, Self-
Organization and
Coevolution in

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Investments
offers readers an
increased
understanding of
the main
objective of
public
management in c
omplexity--namel
y complex
process
system--and a

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strategy for
accepting and
dealing with
complexity based
on the idea of
dual thinking and
dual action
strategies
satisfying the
desires of
controlling
processes and
the need to

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adjust to changes simultaneously.

I think this is a very important book. Very few people in the social sciences write books on this topic and really do justice to complexity theory. Professor Room gives a

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very detailed,
accurate and
accessible review
of complexity
theory as it
applies to social
policy. His link
with institutional
theory is very
appropriate and
his discussion on
the need for
regulation (a link

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with complexity theory that many people would never reach) is really important and well grounded. It would be of interest to academics who really want to understand the implications of

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complexity theory
for policy making
in complex and
fast-changing
situations and to
those undertaking
advanced courses
in politics,
economics and
sociology. - Jean
Boulton,
University of
Cranfield, UK

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Graham Room
argues that
conventional
approaches to the
conceptualisation
and
measurement of
social and
economic change
are
unsatisfactory. As
a result,
researchers are ill-

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equipped to offer policy advice. This book offers a new analytical approach, combining complexity science and institutionalism. It also provides tools for policy makers in turbulent times.

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Part 1 is concerned with the conceptualisation of socio-economic change. It integrates complexity science and institutionalism into a coherent ontology of social and policy

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dynamics. Part 2 is concerned with models and measurement. It combines some of the principal approaches developed in complexity analysis with models and methods drawn from mainstream

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social and
political science.
Part 3 offers
empirical
applications to
public policy: the
dynamics of
social exclusion;
the social
dimension of
knowledge
economies; the
current financial

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and economic
crisis. These are
supplemented by
a toolkit for the
practice of agile
policy making.

Handbook of
Research

Methods in
Complexity
Science

An Introduction to
Collaborative

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Rationality for
Public Policy

A complexity
theory of

literature

Making Policy in a
Complex World

Complexity, Hurts
and Minefields

Complexity

Theory and the
Social Sciences

Complexity

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**theory--which
examines the
dynamic
interactions of
parts in a
system--has
increasingly
been used to
study human
organizations.
This is the first
book to explore**

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**its application
to professions in
criminal justice
and social work.
It brings
together experts
in this emerging
theoretical field
from a range of
different
perspectives,
providing**

**detailed but
accessible
discussions of
the key issues at
hand, including
the nature of
complex
adaptive
systems, their
application to
service delivery,
and the efficacy**

**and ethics of
criminal justice
and social work
interventions.
Together the
contributors
demonstrate the
usefulness of
complexity
theory in
addressing some
of our most**

**significant and
intractable
social problems.
The concept of
“chaos”, and
chaos theory,
though it is a
field of study
specifically in
the field of
mathematics
with**

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**applications in
physics,
engineering,
economics,
management,
and education,
has also recently
taken root in
the social
sciences. As a
method of
analyzing the**

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**way in which the
digital age has
connected
society more
than ever, chaos
and complexity
theory serves as
a tactic to tie
world events
and cope with
the information
overload that is**

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**associated with
heightened
social
connectivity.**

**The Handbook
of Research on
Chaos and
Complexity
Theory in the
Social Sciences
explores the
theories of**

**chaos and
complexity as
applied to a
variety of
disciplines
including
political
science,
organizational
and
management
science,**

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**economics, and
education.**

**Presenting
diverse research-
based
perspectives on
mathematical
patterns in the
world system,
this publication
is an essential
reference source**

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**for scholars,
researchers,
mathematicians,
social theorists,
and graduate-
level students in
a variety of
disciplines.**

**This analysis of
emerging
practices of
collaboration in**

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**planning and
public policy
presents a new
theory of
collaborative
rationality to
overcome the
challenges of
complexity,
fragmentation,
uncertainty and
global**

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**processes. This
is insightful
reading that will
move both
practice and
scholarship to
new levels.
Complexity
theory has
become popular
in the natural
and social**

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**sciences over
the last few
decades as a
result of the
advancements in
our
understanding
of the
complexities in
natural and
social
phenomena.**

Concepts and methods of complexity theory have been applied by scholars of public affairs in North America and Europe, but a comprehensive framework for these

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**applications is
lacking. A
Complexity
Theory for
Public Policy
proposes a
conceptual
synthesis and
sets a
foundation for
future
developments**

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**and
applications. In
this book,
Göktuğ Morçöl
convincingly
makes the case
that complexity
theory can help
us understand
better the self-
organizational,
emergent, and**

**co-evolutionary
characteristics
of complex
policy systems.
In doing so, he
discuss the
epistemological
implications of
complexity
theory and the
methods
complexity**

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**researchers use,
and those
methods they
could use. As
the complexity
studies spread
more around the
world in the
coming decades,
the contents of
this book will
become**

**appealing to
larger
audiences,
particularly to
scholars and
graduate
students in
public affairs.
The unique
combination of
synthesis and
explanation of**

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Policy

**concepts and
methods found
in this book will
serve as
reference
frames for
future works.**

**Agile Decision-
making in a
Turbulent World
Complexity
Theory and Law**

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**Theory and
Applications
Marketing
Public Policy
An Introduction
The Provision of
Public Services
in Europe**

This book is an
introduction to
health care as a
complex adaptive

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system, a system that
feeds back on itself.

The first section
introduces systems
and complexity
theory from a
science, historical,
epistemological, and
technical
perspective,
describing the
principles and

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mathematics.

Subsequent sections build on the health applications of systems science theory, from human physiology to medical decision making, population health and health services research.

The aim of the book

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is to introduce and
expand on important
population health
issues from a
systems and
complexity
perspective,
highlight current
research
developments and
their implications for
health care delivery,

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consider their ethical implications, and to suggest directions for and potential pitfalls in the future.

This provocative Element is on the 'state of the art' of theories that highlight policymaking complexity. It

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explains complexity
in a way that is
simple enough to
understand and use.
The primary
audience is policy
scholars seeking a
single authoritative
guide to studies of
'multi-centric
policymaking'. It
synthesises this

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literature to build a research agenda on the following questions: 1. How can we best explain the ways in which many policymaking 'centres' interact to produce policy? 2. How should we research multi-centric

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policymaking? 3.

How can we hold
policymakers to
account in a multi-
centric system? 4.

How can people
engage effectively to
influence policy in a
multi-centric
system? However, by
focusing on simple
exposition and

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limiting jargon, Paul
Cairney, Tanya
Heikkila, Matthew
Wood also speak to a
far wider audience
of practitioners,
students, and new
researchers seeking a
straightforward
introduction to
policy theory and its
practical lessons.

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This book provides a clear, concise and readable introduction to complexity thinking, its application to the social sciences and public policy, and the relevance of some of its various tools to those fields of politics, health,

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the international realm, development, planning and terrorism. The authors argue that the foundation for many of the current crises in these areas can be traced to the attempt by social scientists and policy-makers to treat these

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systems and
processes as
fundamentally
orderly, predictable
and controllable. By
providing an
overview of complex
systems, a practical
introduction to basic
concepts and tools of
these systems, and
examples for

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understanding and
managing them in
real life policy
situations they
provide an exciting
new perspective for
rethinking our basic
approaches to the
social sciences and
for understanding
and managing the
increasingly

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interdependent world
of public policy. The
book is vital reading
for students and
scholars of the social
sciences and public
policy, and also
policymakers and the
policy actor
audience.

For the past two
decades, 'complexity'

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has informed a range
of work across the
social sciences.

There are diverse
schools of
complexity thinking,
and authors have
used these ideas in a
multiplicity of ways,
from health
inequalities to the
organization of large

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scale firms. Some understand complexity as emergence from the rule-based interactions of simple agents and explore it through agent-based modelling. Others argue against such 'restricted

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complexity' and for the development of case-based narratives deploying a much wider set of approaches and techniques. Major social theorists have been reinterpreted through a complexity lens and the whole methodological

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programme of the social sciences has been recast in complexity terms. In four parts, this book seeks to establish 'the state of the art' of complexity-informed social science as it stands now, examining: the key issues in

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complexity theory
the implications of
complexity theory
for social theory the
methodology and
methods of
complexity theory
complexity within
disciplines and
fields. It also points
ways forward
towards a complexity-

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informed social
science for the
twenty-first century,
investigating the
argument for a post-
disciplinary, 'open'
social science. Byrne
and Callaghan
consider how this
might be developed
as a programme of
teaching and

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research within
social science. This
book will be
particularly relevant
for, and interesting
to, students and
scholars of social
research methods,
social theory,
business and
organization studies,
health, education,

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urban studies and
development studies.

Complexity Theory
in Public

Administration

Complexity Theory
in Public

Administration -

State of Theory and
Practice

Handbook of

Systems and

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Complexity in
Health

Proliferation,
Autonomy and
Performance
Handbook on
Complexity and
Public Policy
Applying
Complexity Theory
***The motivation
behind this***

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*book is the
desire to
integrate
complexity
theory into
economic
models of
technological
evolution. By
means of
developing an
evolutionary*

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*model of
complex
technological
systems, the
book
contributes to
the neo-
Schumpeterian
literature on
innovation,
diffusion and
technological*

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paradigms.
Policy

*Governance of
Public Sector
Organizations
analyzes
recent changes
in government
administration
by focusing on
organizational
forms and
their effects.*

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**Contributors
to this edited
volume**

demonstrate

how

generations of

reform result

in increased

complexity of

government

organizations,

and explain

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*this layering
process with
multiple
theories.
That public
services
exhibit unpred
ictability,
novelty and,
on occasion,
chaos, is an
observation*

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*with which
even a casual
observer would
agree.*

*Existing
theoretical
frameworks in
public
management
fail to
address these
features,*

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*relying more
heavily on
attempts to
eliminate unpr
edictability
through
increased
reliance on
measurable
performance
objectives,
improved*

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*financial and
human resource
management*

*techniques, de
centralisation
of authority
and*

*accountability
and resolving
principal-
agent*

behaviour

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*pathologies.
Essentially,
these are all
attempts to
improve the
'steering'
capacity of
public sector
managers and
policy makers.
By adopting a
Complex*

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***Adaptive
Systems (CAS)
approach to
public
services, this
book shifts
the focus from
developing
steering
techniques to
identifying
patterns of***

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*behaviour of
the*

*participants
with the
ultimate
objective of
increasing
policy-makers'
and
practitioners'
understanding
of the factors*

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*that may
enable more
effective
public service
decision-
making and
provision. The
authors apply
a CAS
framework to a
series of case
studies in*

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*public sector
management to
generate new
insights into
the issues,
processes and
participants
in public
service
domains.*

*The authors of
this volume*

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*explore such
topics as
whether
complexity
theory offers
a new science
or is merely a
novel
analytical
tool kit and
if the theory
suggests a new*

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way of knowing

and solving

complex public

policy

problems.

A Modern

Approach

Richer Decisio

n-Making in

Public

Services

Managing

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*Complexity in
the Public
Services
Tools and
Concepts for
Designing
Robust
Policies in a
Complex World
Public
Administration
in Complexity*

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***Computational
Complexity***
Policy

This comprehensive Handbook is aimed at both academic researchers and practitioners in the field of complexity science. The book's 26 chapters, specially written by leading experts, provide in-depth

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coverage of research methods based on the sciences of complexity. The research methods presented are illustratively applied to practical cases and are readily accessible to researchers and decision makers alike.

Chaos and

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complexity are the new buzz words in both science and contemporary society. The ideas they represent have enormous implications for the way we understand and engage with the world. Complexity Theory and the Social Sciences introduces students

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to the central ideas which surround the chaos/complexity theories. It discusses key concepts before using them as a way of investigating the nature of social research. By applying them to such familiar topics as urban studies, education and health, David Byrne

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allows readers new to the subject to appreciate the contribution which complexity theory can make to social research and to illuminating the crucial social issues of our day.

The fully revised second edition of this textbook offers a comprehensive

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introduction to theories of public policy and policymaking. The policy process is complex: it contains hundreds of people and organisations from various levels and types of government, from agencies, quasi- and non-governmental organisations,

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interest groups and the private and voluntary sectors. This book sets out the major concepts and theories that are vital for making sense of the complexity of public policy, and explores how to combine their insights when seeking to explain the policy process.

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While a wide range of topics are covered - from multi-level governance and punctuated equilibrium theory to 'Multiple Streams' analysis and feminist institutionalism - this engaging text draws out the common themes among the variety of studies considered and

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tackles three key questions: what is the story of each theory (or multiple theories); what does policy theory tell us about issues like 'evidence based policymaking'; and how 'universal' are policy theories designed in the Global North? This book is the perfect

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companion for
undergraduate and
postgraduate
students studying
public policy,
whether focussed on
theory, analysis or
the policy process,
and it is essential
reading for all those
on MPP or MPM
programmes. New to
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sections on power,

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feminist

institutionalism, the
institutional analysis
and development
framework, the
narrative policy
framework, social
construction and
policy design - A
consideration of
policy studies in
relation to the Global
South in an updated
concluding chapter -

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More coverage of
policy formulation
and tools, the
psychology of
policymaking and
complexity theory -
Engaging discussions
of punctuated
equilibrium, the
advocacy coalition
framework and
multiple streams
analysis

Complexity theory

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has become a major influence in discussions about the theory and practice of education. This book focuses on a question which so far has received relatively little attention in such discussions, which is the question of the politics of complexity. The

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chapters in this book
engage with this
question in a range
of different ways.

Whereas some
contributions make a
case for the
promotion of
complexity in
education, others
focus more explicitly
on questions
concerning the
reduction of

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complexity in and through education. The chapters do so using theoretical, historical and empirical arguments, paying attention to a range of different educational settings (including early childhood education, school education, post-compulsory education, lifelong

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learning and work-based education), and focusing on different aspects of these practices (such as curriculum, pedagogy, assessment, architecture, and management). Taken together the chapters not only reveal the potential of complexity for

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engaging with questions about the politics of education in new and different ways. They also provide examples of a more reflexive engagement with the politics of complexity in education itself. The book will be of interest to scholars in the fields of education studies,

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curriculum studies,
curriculum theory,
educational theory,
educational policy,
and philosophy of
education. It should
also be of interest to
practitioners in more
specialised fields
such as early
childhood education,
school education,
post-compulsory
education, work-

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based education and
lifelong learning.

Complexity Theory
and the Politics of
Education

Comparing Nordic
Countries

Special Issue:

Complexity Theory
and Public

Management

Richer Decision-
making in Public

Services

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Managing Complex
Governance Systems

Complexity Theory
for Public

Administration and
Policy

Combining the
fields of

evolutionary

economics and the
humanities, this

book examines

McCarthy's literary

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works as a
significant case
study
demonstrating our
need to recognise
the interrelated
complexities of
economic policies,
environmental
crises, and how
public policy and
rhetoric shapes our

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value systems. In a world recovering from global economic crisis and poised on the brink of another, studying the methods by which literature interrogates narratives of inevitability around

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global economic
inequality and eco-
disaster is ever
more relevant.
Policy analysts and
policy planners
should start from
the premise that
obstacles,
uncertainties and
surprises are
important features

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of policy-making. All public policies should be treated as complex problems, from the outset. Complexity theorists start from the premise that complex policies are ill-defined and ambiguous. There is often little

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consensus about what the problem is, let alone how to resolve it. Into the complexity of the wicked problem fray, Marketing Public Policy introduces the role of communication scholars and practitioners whose

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models and practices focus on people, processes, opinions and behaviour as causes of organisational complexity.

Communication practice's role is to provide ideas on how to navigate,

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diagnose and
interpret issues
with a view to
persuading the
public to change its
behaviour or
opinions. From the
case studies
presented in this
book, we see that
despite rationally
excellent macro-

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and micro-planning of policies to win the hearts and minds of citizens, public policies still deteriorate into hurts and minefields. The case studies are drawn from China, Indonesia, India, the USA, the UK

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and Europe to
show that policy-
making is always a
complex issue in
any country,
whatever the
political structure,
whether
democracy or
communism.
How ideas in
complexity can be

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used to develop
more effective
public policy
Complexity
science—made
possible by modern
analytical and
computational
advances—is
changing the way
we think about
social systems and

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social theory.

Unfortunately,
economists' policy
models have not
kept up and are
stuck in either a
market
fundamentalist or
government control
narrative. While
these standard
narratives are

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useful in some cases, they are damaging in others, directing thinking away from creative, innovative policy solutions. Complexity and the Art of Public Policy outlines a new, more flexible policy narrative, which

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envisions society
as a complex
evolving system
that is
uncontrollable but
can be influenced.
David Colander
and Roland Kupers
describe how
economists and
society became
locked into the

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current policy
framework, and lay
out fresh
alternatives for
framing policy
questions. Offering
original solutions to
stubborn problems,
the complexity
narrative builds on
broader
philosophical

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traditions, such as those in the work of John Stuart Mill, to suggest initiatives that the authors call "activist laissez-faire" policies. Colander and Kupers develop innovative bottom-up solutions that, through new

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institutional
structures such as
for-benefit
corporations,
channel
individuals' social
instincts into
solving societal
problems, making
profits a tool for
change rather than
a goal. They argue

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that a central role for government in this complexity framework is to foster an ecostructure within which diverse forms of social entrepreneurship can emerge and blossom.

'Over recent years

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Complexity
Science has revealed to us new limits to our possible knowledge and control in social, cultural and economic systems. Instead of supposing that past statistics and

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patterns will give us predictable outcomes for possible actions, we now know the world is, and will always be, creative and surprising.

Continuous structural evolution within such systems may

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change the mechanisms, descriptors, problems and opportunities, often negating policy aims. We therefore need to redevelop our thinking about interventions, policies and policy making, moving

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perhaps to a humbler, more 'learning' approach. In this Handbook, leading thinkers in multiple domains set out these new ideas and allow us to understand how these new ideas are changing policymaking and

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policies in this new
era.' - Peter M

Allen, Cranfield

University, UK

Between State,

Local Government

and Market

Complexity,

Institutions and

Public Policy

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Governance and
Complexity Theory
Complexity and
Policy Analysis
Theories and
Issues

**This collection
of essays
explores the
different ways
the insights
from complexity
theory can be**

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**applied to law.
Complexity
theory – a
variant of
systems theory –
views law as an
emergent,
complex, self-
organising
system comprised
of an
interactive
network of
actors and**

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**systems that
operate with no
overall guiding
hand, giving
rise to complex,
collective
behaviour in law
communications
and actions.
Addressing such
issues as the
unpredictability
of legal
systems, the**

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ability of legal systems to adapt to changes in society, the importance of context, and the nature of law, the essays look to the implications of a complexity theory analysis for the study of public policy

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and

**administrative
law,
international
law and human
rights,
regulatory
practices in
business and
finance, and the
practice of law
and legal
ethics. These
are areas where**

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law, which
craves
certainty,
encounters
unending,
irresolvable
complexity. This
collection shows
the many ways
complexity
theory thinking
can reshape and
clarify our
understanding of

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the various
problems
relating to the
theory and
practice of law.
International
human rights law
has emerged as
an academic
subject in its
own right,
separate from,
but still
related to

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**international
law. This book
explains the
distinctive
nature of this
discipline by
examining the
influence of the
idea of human
rights on
general
international
law. Rather than
make use of a**

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particular moral
philosophy or
political
theory, it
explains human
rights by
examining the
way the term is
deployed in
legal practice,
on the
understanding
that words are
given meaning

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through their
use. Relying on
complexity
theory to make
sense of the
legal practice
of the United
Nations, the
core human
rights treaties,
and customary
international
law, the work
demonstrates the

**emergence of the
moral concept of
human rights as
a fact of the
social world. It
reveals the
dynamic nature
of this concept,
and the
influence of the
idea on the
legal practice,
a fact that
explains the**

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**fragmentation of
international
law and special
nature of
international
human rights
law.**

**This book
reframes
theoretical,
methodological
and practical
approaches to
public**

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**administration
by drawing on
complexity
theory concepts.
It aims to
provide
alternative
perspectives on
the theory,
research and
practice of
public
administration,
avoiding**

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**assumptions of
traditional
theory-building.
The contributors
explain both how
ongoing non-
linear
interactions
result in macro
patterns
becoming
established in a
complexity-
informed world**

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view, and the implications of these dynamics. Complexity theory explains the way in which many repeated non-linear interactions among elements within a whole can result in processes and patterns

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**emerging without
design or
direction, thus
necessitating a
reconsideration
of the
predictability
and
controllability
of many aspects
of public
administration.
As well as
illustrating how**

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**complexity
theory informs
new research
methods for
studying this
field, the book
also shines a
light on the
different
practices
required of
public
administrators
to cope with the**

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**complexity
encountered in
the public
policy and
public
management
fields. This
book was
originally
published as a
special issue of
the Public
Management
Review journal.**

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**New and
classical
results in
computational
complexity,
including
interactive
proofs, PCP,
derandomization,
and quantum
computation.
Ideal for
graduate
students.**

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**The state of the
art**

**Complexity and
the Art of
Public Policy
Planning with
Complexity
A Complexity
Theory for
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Governance of
Public Sector
Organizations
Mapping an**

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**Emergent
Jurisprudence**