

# HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

## Society, Space and Social Science

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Human geography is currently undergoing a rapid and far-reaching reorientation, based on a redefined and much closer relationship with other social sciences.

Based on the premise that the cross-fertilisation of ideas and concepts between human geography and the social sciences are central to the continuing process of rethinking human geography, the book interrogates some of the major issues and questions of our time. These include the increased globalisation of production, finance and culture; the challenges that face the nation-state and our understanding of political community; the importance of environmentalism; and of how places and their cultural and political identities are being reshaped in the wake of both globalisation and localism.

In examining these tumultuous changes the book engages with some of the central theoretical and methodological concerns of post-positivist human geography, including historical materialism, structuration theory, feminist theory and postmodernism.

Bringing together a set of specially commissioned chapters by leading scholars, *Human Geography* is both an ideal student text and essential reading for all those interested in how place, space and environment are crucial to understanding a rapidly changing world.

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