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Prof. Ullrich Bauer and Prof. Klaus Hurrelmann publish the analysis of socialisation theory in English (date of release is 14.12.2017). The book **Socialisation during the life course** is the result of numerous preliminary work by the two scientists who have already jointly written the German edition of *Einführung in die Sozialisationstheorie*. Hurrelmann & Bauer are also co-editors of the *Handbuch Sozialisationsforschung* and Klaus Hurrelmann is internationally recognised as one of the leading experts in socialisation research.

About the book

This comprehensive text highlights new developments in sociological, educational and psychological aspects of socialisation, examining how human beings as 'subjects' – experiencing, thinking and acting individuals – confront the material, social and cultural 'objects' of their environment and sustain their position. The authors provide an overview of the most important theories of socialisation, then integrate these using the Productive Processing of Reality (PPR) model. This novel approach is applied to a life course analysis, examining developmental tasks and the challenges of productive processing of the internal and external reality at various stages of development. The book also considers contexts, addressing the inequalities between different socio-economic and ethnic groups and genders, to consider how humans – with their genetic dispositions and their individual instincts and needs – solve the task of coping with the requirements of society, culture and economy while at the same time safeguarding their status as unique individuals.

Reviews

"Socialisation seems like such a simple topic at first glance, but, as this book illustrates so well, the interactions between person and environment that constitute socialisation are incredibly complex. Hurrelmann and Bauer distill all of this complexity in an artfully accessible way that speaks to both psychology and sociology." – *Robert Crosnoe, The University of Texas at Austin, USA*

"The authors' key concept of 'Productive Processing of Reality' is much more than a catchy formula: it integrates approaches and findings from several disciplines, addressing many questions of how individuals master tensions between social integration and individuation. The book's highly readable style will be a discovery for many readers." – *Doris Bühler-Niederberger, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Germany*

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