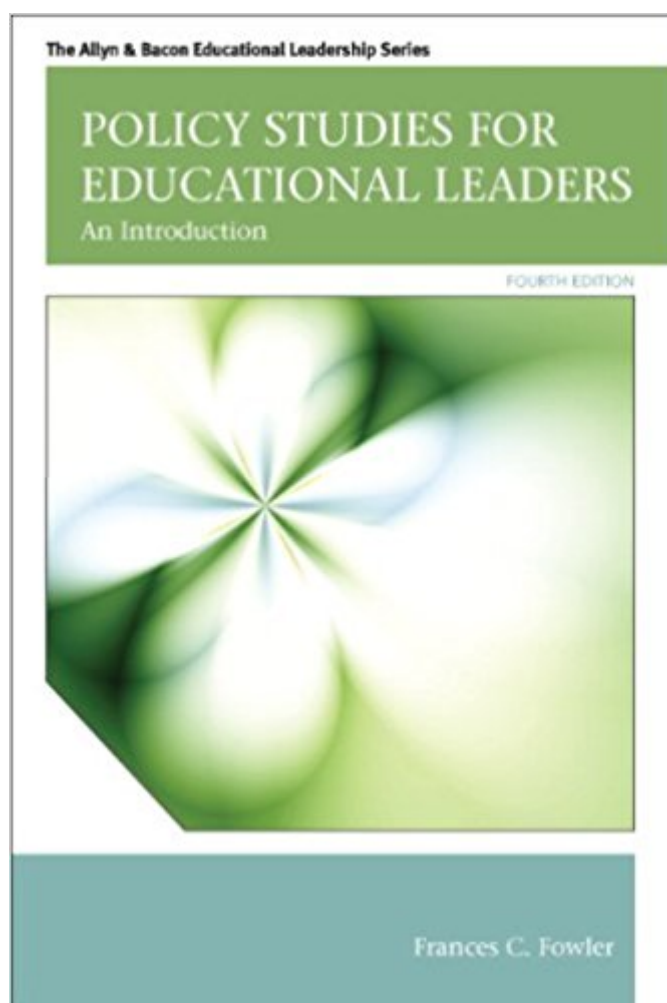


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# Policy Studies For Educational Leaders: An Introduction (4th Edition) (Allyn & Bacon Educational Leadership)



## Synopsis

In this Fourth Edition of renowned authority Frances Fowler's Policy Studies for Educational Leaders, future educational leaders and actual K-12 administrators get a solid, comprehensive grounding in education policy and the policy process and the important political theories upon which it is based. Included is essential background information about the cultural, economic, demographic, and institutional roots of educational policy and an incisive look at the history of educational policy.

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From a leader in the field, this new edition provides future educational leaders with a firm understanding of educational policy and the important political theories upon which it is based. In these pages, Frances Fowler gives readers essential background information about the cultural, economic, demographic, and institutional roots of educational policy. She identifies and describes the major political actors and gives educators in-depth descriptions of each stage of the policy process complete with numerous examples of how policy developments. This book ensures that aspiring educational leaders understand the basic political theories that underpin educational policy development and provides examples of how to apply this knowledge in everyday practice. New to this edition . . . News Stories for Analysis sections bring the concepts to life

• New information on the economy, including the Great Recession and demographic information based on the 2010 census

• A chart linking individual book sections with new ISLCC standards

• New sections on distributive leadership and power and the Tea Party Movement – plus an updated discussion of the factions within the Democratic party

• Numerous new Internet assignments at the end of chapters, plus two appendices of useful URLs

• New figures and tables illustrating the concepts

• A glossary of important terms at the end of the book

Frances Fowler worked as a classroom teacher in Tennessee for 15 years. During that time she was active in both her union and her school district and was also involved in state and local politics. Eventually, she became so interested in politics and policy that she completed her Ph.D. at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where she majored in educational administration with a concentration in educational politics and policy. In 1990 she accepted a tenure-track position at Miami University, where she taught educational politics and policy for 19 years, ending her higher education career as a Full Professor and Director of Graduate Studies in her department.

Frances retired in 2009 and she remains politically active at the local level and is active on the Education Committee of the Cincinnati Area League of Women Voters. In addition to this book, she is also a co-author of Educational Governance and Administration

Used it for class, it was an easy read and good alternative to the updated version. They were pretty much the same thing, and my professor was really nice about letting us know to buy this one instead of the other one.

This was a required book for a class on educational policy analysis. I enjoyed it much more than I expected to, the history and explanations really helped make sense of so many of the policies I've experienced over my years in public education.

Thorough and comprehensive introductory text for educational leaders. Especially tailored to those working within the K-12 system with aspirations to be school superintendents or other high-level administrators. Offers many practical suggestions and showcases a range of viewpoints.

It is very well organised and written. Very straight forward information that really gets into specifics when it comes to how to lobby government and establish relationships with those who have influence over educational policy.

This was the textbook for a doctoral class I was NOT initially thrilled about taking, however the book was interesting and made the subject much easier to master.

Easy to read on a difficult subject. Book arrived in excellent condition and was used.

The 3rd ed. have excellent information which is missing from the 4th ed. Some important diagrams were eliminated and mislabeled. If this is a rushed edition, I suggest the editor and author doubled check for inconsistencies.

The book was helpful for the course in which it was required.

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