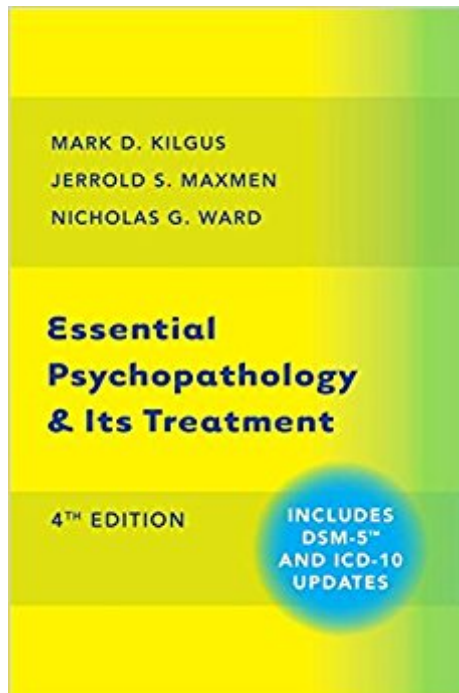




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and educators who wish to gain an overview of the epidemiology, clinical course, diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders, or to simply have as an on-hand reference guide for studying or in clinical practice. - Somatic Psychotherapy Today

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The book has the potential to be a good reference book for use both in and outside of class, but it has several errors and unclear wording throughout. The biggest issue that I had was that they still used the DSM-IV-TR names for certain diagnoses, regardless of the fact they had changed in the DSM V. For example, they still use the term Gender Identity Disorder rather than only using Gender Dysphoria. They did not include excoriation disorder, had one sentence about hoarding disorder, classified Gambling Disorder under the impulse control disorders (it's under substance-related and addictive disorders in the DSM V) and included a criteria for Gambling Disorder that had been removed in the DSM V. While it says that it's updated, it is not fully and accurately updated for the DSM V, which is frustrating as it is supposed to be used as a textbook for new clinicians, who may not be aware of the differences. Hopefully they will fully update it in the next edition. Even with these errors, however, the book has some useful information and I was still able to gain a broad understanding of the different diagnoses.

Reading flows, and not too deep in understanding.

Haven't finished reading textbook for course, but so far it's been very good.

I purchased this book along with my DSM. This book made the DSM understandable. Good pair.

This book was recommended for my class. Overall it's a good book.

Fantastic complement to the DSM-V. Up to date information presented in a very readable manner.

This is a terrific resource for those working in psychology, especially those of us that write assessments and care plans. I have repeatedly referred back to this since I received it. I would recommend this for both grad students and those already in practice.

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